



Snohomish County Council

Public Hearings

Meeting Minutes

Council Chair Nate Nehring
Council Vice-Chair Megan Dunn
Councilmembers: Sam Low, Jared Mead, Strom Peterson

Wednesday, August 13, 2025

10:30 AM

**Jackson Board Room - 8th Floor
Robert J. Drewel Building
& Remote Meeting**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Nehring called the Council to order at 10:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL

The clerk called the roll and stated that all five members were present.

ACTION ITEMS

PRESENT:

Council Chair Nehring
Council Vice-Chair Dunn
Councilmember Low
Councilmember Mead
Councilmember Peterson (*remote*)
Cynthia Foley, Council Staff
Lisa Hickey, Asst. Clerk of the Council

1. Ordinance 25-034, approving Interagency Agreement with Washington State Department of Commerce for Community Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative

[2025-1938](#)

Chair Nehring opened the public hearing.

Cynthia Foley, Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report.

Chair Nehring opened the hearing for public testimony. There being no persons present wishing to testify, he closed the testimony portion of the hearing.

Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Ordinance 25-034. Councilmember Low seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 25-034 carried unanimously.

APPROVED: 5-0

PRESENT:

Council Chair Nehring
Council Vice-Chair Dunn
Councilmember Low
Councilmember Mead
Councilmember Peterson (*remote*)
Nicole Gorle, Council Staff
Lisa Hickey, Asst. Clerk of the Council

2. Ordinance 25-037, relating to the 2025-2026 Budget; making an Emergency Appropriation in Sheriff Search and Rescue Helicopter Fund 141 to provide additional expenditure authority for unanticipated costs [2025-1885](#)

Chair Nehring opened the public hearing.

Nicole Gorle, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and responded to questions.

Chair Nehring opened the hearing for public testimony. There being no persons present wishing to testify, he closed the testimony portion of the hearing.

Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Ordinance 25-037. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 25-037 carried unanimously.

APPROVED: 5-0

PRESENT:

Council Chair Nehring
Council Vice-Chair Dunn
Councilmember Low
Councilmember Mead
Councilmember Peterson (*remote*)
Jim Martin, Council Staff
Lisa Hickey, Asst. Clerk of the Council

3. Ordinance 25-036, relating to Pending Legislation; Amending Chapter 2.48 SCC [2025-1976](#)

Chair Nehring opened the public hearing.

Jim Martin, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report.

Chair Nehring opened the hearing for public testimony. There being no persons present wishing to testify, he closed the testimony portion of the hearing.

Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Ordinance 25-036. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 25-036 carried unanimously.

APPROVED: 5-0

PRESENT:

Council Chair Nehring
Council Vice-Chair Dunn
Councilmember Low
Councilmember Mead
Councilmember Peterson (*remote*)
Ryan Hembree, Council Staff
Lisa Hickey, Asst. Clerk of the Council

4. Ordinance 25-033, relating to Growth Management; supporting the development of co-living housing; amending Chapters 30.22, 30.23, 30.26, 30.67, and 30.91 of the Snohomish County Code [2025-1900](#)

Chair Nehring opened the public hearing.

Ryan Hembree, Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and responded to questions.

Chair Nehring opened the hearing for public testimony. There being no persons present wishing to testify, he closed the testimony portion of the hearing.

Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Ordinance 25-033. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion.

Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve proposed Amendment 1. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 25-033, as amended, carried unanimously.

AMENDED AND APPROVED: 5-0

PRESENT:

Council Chair Nehring
Council Vice-Chair Dunn
Councilmember Low
Councilmember Mead
Councilmember Peterson (*remote*)
Ryan Hembree, Council Staff
Lisa Hickey, Asst. Clerk of the Council

5. Ordinance 25-044, relating to Growth Management; updating references in Title 30 of the Snohomish County Code for uniformity with the 2024 Comprehensive Plan Update; amending Sections 30.21.025, 30.27.051, 30.28.076, 30.31f.020, 30.32c.020, 30.42b.020, 30.42d.060, 30.62a.710, 30.66c.055, 30.91n.020, and 30.91r.280 of the Snohomish County Code

[2025-1968](#)

Chair Nehring opened the public hearing.

Ryan Hembree, Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report.

Chair Nehring opened the hearing for public testimony. There being no persons present wishing to testify, he closed the testimony portion of the hearing.

Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Ordinance 25-044. Councilmember Low seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 25-044 carried unanimously.

APPROVED: 5-0

PRESENT:

Council Chair Nehring
Council Vice-Chair Dunn
Councilmember Low
Councilmember Mead
Councilmember Peterson (*remote*)
Ryan Hembree, Council Staff
Lisa Hickey, Asst. Clerk of the Council

6. Ordinance 25-045, relating to Growth Management; increasing residential minimum net density in urban areas; amending sections 30.23.020, 30.21.025, 30.41B.120, and 30.41A.180 of the Snohomish County Code [2025-1987](#)

Chair Nehring opened the public hearing.

Ryan Hembree, Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and responded to questions.

Chair Nehring opened the hearing for public testimony. There being no persons present wishing to testify, he closed the testimony portion of the hearing.

Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Ordinance 25-045. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 25-045 carried unanimously.

APPROVED: 5-0

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Chair Nehring adjourned the Council for the day at 10:42 a.m.