

Snohomish County Human Services

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MEMORANDUM

Date:

To: Nate Nehring, Snohomish County Council

From: Dave Somers, Snohomish County Executive

Re: Snohomish County Council on Aging

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Shannon Atkins to serve a first term on the Snohomish County Council on Aging.

The Snohomish County Human Services Department, Division of Aging and Disability Services, Long-Term Care & Aging, is the Area Agency on Aging for Snohomish County. As such, the Long-Term Care & Aging Unit receives and administers federal Older Americans Act funds. A requirement of the Older Americans Act is that Area Agencies on Aging establish advisory boards, which advises and informs their local Area Agency on Aging regarding the delivery of community-based services. Snohomish County Code 2.03 authorizes the County Executive to appoint and the County Council to confirm appointments to the Council on Aging.

The Council on Aging is comprised of individuals who represent various age, gender, ethnic, and employment backgrounds from each of the five geographic Council districts.

Shannon Atkins has worked both as boots on the ground and management in various community mental health roles for over a decade and has connected with and nurtured partnerships with many of the community agencies and service providers.

Pursuant to SCC 2.03.030, I hereby urge Council confirmation of Shannon Atkins, to be appointed to the Council on Aging to serve a full-term ending September 30th, 2026.