

Committee: Planning & Community Development Analyst: Ryan Countryman

**ECAF:** 2022-0125

## **Consideration**

Proposed Motion 22-091 would appoint Phil Olbrechts as hearing examiner pro tem and direct the County Executive to sign a professional services contract with Olbrechts and Associates, PLLC for hearing examiner pro-tem services.

## **Background**

Currently there is no deputy Hearing Examiner to hear matters in the event of a conflict or unavailability of the Hearing Examiner. SCC 2.02.030 authorizes the Snohomish County Council to appoint hearing examiners pro tem. Phil Olbrechts is an experienced hearing examiner, with previous experience serving as a pro tem hearing examiner for Snohomish County. Mr. Olbrechts was the sole responder to a request for proposals and is recommended by the current Hearing Examiner as a pro tem. Motion 22-091 would authorize the County Executive to sign a contract, substantially similar to the form attached as Exhibit A to the motion, with Olbrechts and Associates, PLLC, for hearing examiner pro tem services. The appointment would take effect upon execution of the contract. The proposed contract period runs through February 29, 2024, with extension possible.

## **Current Proposal**

Summary and Scope: The motion would appoint Phil Olbrechts as hearing examiner protem and authorize the County Executive to sign a related professional services contract.

Effective Date: Upon execution of the contract

Fiscal Implications: Not to exceed \$19,874 annually

**Handling:** NORMAL

**Risk Management:** APPROVE

**Finance:** APPROVE

**Executive Recommendation:** APPROVE

Request: Move to General Legislative Session March 16 for consideration