



Snohomish County Council

Committee: Committee of the Whole
ECAF: 2021-0781
Proposal: Ord. 21- 095

Analyst: Deb Evison Bell
Date: November 15, 2021

Consideration

The proposed ordinance would establish the 2021 monthly vehicle allowance of certain elected officials pursuant to SCC 3.36.035(2)¹.

Background

Snohomish County Code 3.36.035 requires a report of the average monthly ER&R cost for replacement, maintenance, insurance, and fuel expenses of a standard size county pool vehicle to Council each year. The code allows an elected official using his or her own vehicle for travel for county purposes to be paid a vehicle allowance monthly of not more than 99 percent of the average monthly ER&R cost for replacement, maintenance, insurance, and fuel expenses of a standard size county pool vehicle as determined by the Director of Facilities Management.

Current Proposal

The Director reviewed the average monthly ER&R cost and has determined that the 2022 rate is broken down as follows:

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| Average Monthly Vehicle Ownership and Operating Cost | \$436.61 |
| AAA Estimated Insurance Cost | \$ 90.58 |
| Total | \$527.19 |
| 99% Maximum | \$521.92 |

The 99 percent maximum payment allowed to an elected official is therefore calculated at \$521.92 per month.

The proposal also allows the Snohomish County Council to adopt the rate calculated by the Director, or Council can set its own rate.

2021 Budget: YES.

Budget Impacts: Dependent upon the rate adopted by Council.

Handling: NORMAL

Approved-as-to-form: YES

Risk Management: APPROVE.

Executive Recommendation: APPROVE.

Attachments: NONE.

Amendments: NONE.

¹ [ch. 3.36 Travel Expenses | Snohomish County Code](#)

Request: Move to Admin on November 15, 2021 to consider scheduling a public hearing date of Dec. 1, 2021. Following receipt of public testimony, consider taking action on proposed Ordinance 21-095 or provide other direction to staff.