

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
Snohomish County, Washington
NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE
AND
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Snohomish County Council will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 9, 2022, at the hour of 10:30 a.m., and continuing thereafter as necessary, in the Henry M. Jackson Board Room, 8th Floor, Robert J. Drewel Building, 3000 Rockefeller, Everett, Washington, to consider proposed Ordinance No. 22-006, titled:

RELATING TO GROWTH MANAGEMENT;
REVISING ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT REGULATIONS;
AMENDING SECTION 30.28.010 OF THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY CODE

NOTE: Due to current COVID-19 restrictions, Snohomish County Council is currently holding its public meetings remote only and will hold in-person meetings in conjunction with a remote meeting platform when restrictions and conditions change. Please check the Council webpage 24 hours prior to the scheduled hearing time for the most up-to-date information <https://snohomish.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx> or contact the Council Clerk at 425-388-3494 or at contact.council@snoco.org.

The public may participate remotely using the Zoom link below:

Zoom Webinar Information:

Join online at <https://zoom.us/j/94846850772>
or by telephone call 1-253-215-8782 or 1-301-715-8592
Meeting ID: 948 4685 0772

Background: This ordinance amends regulations pertaining to Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) in rural and resource areas.

A summary of the proposed ordinance is as follows:

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 22-006

Sections 1 – 3. Adopts recitals, findings of fact, and conclusions, and states that the Council bases its findings and conclusions on the entire record of Snohomish County Planning Commission and the County Council.

Section 4. Amends regulations in SCC 30.28.010 pertaining to detached ADUs in rural, resource, and other zones to: allow a detached ADU on any lot containing a legally-established single-family dwelling when the lot is at least 25,000 square feet; prohibit detached ADUs in areas subject to shoreline jurisdiction; remove the requirement that detached ADUs be located within 100 feet of the primary dwelling; and establish setback requirements for detached ADUs in new buildings.

Section 5. Provides a standard severability and savings clause.

Amendments: The County Council may consider amendments to the proposed ordinance, including an amendment that would allow, in rural, resource, and other zones, detached ADUs on all lots containing a legally-established single-family dwelling regardless of lot size or location within shoreline jurisdiction.

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State Environmental Policy Act: To comply with the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) on this proposal, issuance on January 13, 2022, of Addendum #2 to the Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) issued March 29, 2021, on a non-project proposal to Amend Title 30 Snohomish County Code (SCC) Revising Standards for Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs). Copies of all applicable SEPA documents are available at the office of the county council.

Where to Get Copies of the Proposed Ordinance: Copies of the full ordinance and other documentation are available upon request by calling the Snohomish County Council Office at (425) 388-3494, 1-(800) 562-4367x3494, TDD (425) 877-8339 or by emailing contact.council@snoco.org.

Website Access: The ordinance and other documents can be accessed through the Council websites at: <https://snohomish.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx> or <http://www.snohomishcountywa.gov/2134/County-Hearings-Calendar>.

Range of Possible Actions the County Council May Take on This Proposal: At the conclusion of its public hearing(s), the County Council may make one of the following decisions regarding the proposed actions: (1) adopt the proposed ordinance; (2) adopt an amended version of the proposed ordinance; (3) decline to adopt the proposed ordinance; (4) adopt such other proposals or modification of such proposals as were considered by the council at its own hearing; or (5) take any other action permitted by law.

Public Testimony: Anyone interested may testify concerning the above-described matter at the time and place indicated above or by remote participation in the meeting. The County Council may continue the hearing to another date to allow additional public testimony thereafter, if deemed necessary. Written testimony is encouraged and may be sent to the office of the Snohomish County Council at 3000 Rockefeller Ave M/S 609, Everett, WA 98201; faxed to (425) 388-3496 or e-mailed to contact.council@snoco.org. Submitting public comments 24 hours prior to the hearing will ensure that comments are provided to the Council and appropriate staff in advance of the hearing.

Party of Record: You may become a party of record on this matter by sending a written request to the Clerk of the County Council at the above address, testifying at the public hearing, or entering your name and address on a register provided for that purpose at the public hearing.

Americans with Disabilities Act Notice: Accommodations for persons with disabilities will be provided upon request. Please make arrangements one week prior to the hearing by calling Debbie Eco at 425-388-3494, 1-800-562-4367 x3494, or TDD #1-800-877-8339.

QUESTIONS: For additional information or specific questions on the proposed ordinance, please call Ryan Countryman, county council staff, at 425-309-6164 or ryan.countryman@snoco.org.

DATED this 18th day of February, 2022.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
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Megan Dunn
Council Chair

ATTEST:



Debbie Eco, CMC
Clerk of the Council

PUBLISH: February 23, 2022

Send Affidavit to: Council
Send Invoice to: Planning #107010