

Committee: COW Analyst: Heidi Beazizo

ECAF: 22-1290

Proposal: Mot. 22-544 Date: December 9, 2022

Consideration

The Executive's Office requests Council consider approving proposed Motion 22-544 which would authorize the execution of the 2023 Collective Bargaining Agreement between Snohomish County and Washington State Nurses Association.

Background

On June 8th Council approved a Notice to withdraw from the Snohomish Health District through Motion 22-248¹. These actions set in motion the integration of the Health District into the County, which must take place by the end of the year.

On October 26th, Council approved three ordinances necessary to effectuate the integration of the Health District into the County.²

Pending Council Action, Ordinance 22-067³ establishes initial terms of employment of county employees formerly employed by the Snohomish Health District; the Public Hearing is scheduled for December 14, 2022.

Current Proposal

Scope: Motion 22-544 requests Council approve the transition agreement and authorize the County Executive to sign the agreement; this agreement has been ratified by the union.

The transition agreement covers:

Insurance Benefits, Wages, Longevity Pay, Bilingual Premium Pay, Leave Accruals, Sick Leave Cash Out, Floating Holidays, Bereavement Leave, Probationary Periods, Disciplinary Actions, Reduction in Force, Short-Term Emergency Furlough, Deferred Compensation, Grievance Procedures, and Compensatory Time-Off.

This agreement covers 13 employees.

Duration: January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

2022 Budget: N/A

Future Budget Impacts: N/A

Handling: Urgent

Approved-as-to-form: N/A (Collective Bargaining Agreement)

¹ Snohomish County Council - File #: 2022-0600 (legistar.com)

² Ordinance 22-060 – Interlocal Agreement with the Health District, transferring its employees, operations, powers, duties, enforcement, and assets to the County.

Ordinance 22-061 – Creating the Health Department, fund, and other operational aspects of the new department. Ordinance 22-062 – Repealing the establishment of a Health District in County Code and changing references of the Health District to Health Department throughout code.

³ Snohomish County Council - File #: 2022-1171 (legistar.com)

Risk Management: YES

Executive Recommendation: APPROVE

Request: Move to GLS on December 14th for Council to consider taking action.