



**Snohomish County Council**  
**Health and Community Services Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes**

Jared Mead, Committee Chair  
Sam Low, Committee Vice-Chair  
Committee Members: Nate Nehring, Megan Dunn, Strom Peterson

Cynthia Foley, Legislative Analyst  
Angela Ewert, Legislative Aide  
Cheri Danner, Assistant Clerk of the Council

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| <b>Tuesday, November 28, 2023</b> | <b>11:00 AM</b> | <b>Jackson Board Room - 8th Floor</b> |
|                                   |                 | <b>Robert J. Drewel Building</b>      |
|                                   |                 | <b>&amp; Remote Meeting</b>           |

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**PRESENT:**

Committee Chair Mead  
Committee Vice-Chair Low (*remote*)  
Committee Member Nehring  
Committee Member Dunn  
Committee Member Peterson  
Cynthia Foley, Council Staff  
Mary Jane Brell-Vujovic, Human Services Director  
Kara Main-Hester, Executive's Office  
Cheri Danner, Assistant Clerk of the Council

**CALL TO ORDER**

Committee Chair Mead called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. and provided instructions for those wishing to provide public comment for both in-person and remote via Zoom.

**ROLL CALL**

The clerk called the roll and stated that five members were present.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no persons present wishing to provide public comment.

## ACTION ITEMS

1. Motion 23-421, authorizing the executive to sign agreement for STD/HIV testing and treatment services with Ezzia Healthcare, PLLC [2023-1166](#)

Cynthia Foley, Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and explained the motion grants authority to contract with Ezzia Healthcare, PLLC, for STD and HIV services. She indicated the contract maximum for all charges and fees is \$60,000.00.

**ACTION:** Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislation Session December 6th for consideration.

### ***Agenda items #2, #3 and #4, Motions 23-470, 23-472 and 23-507 were discussed together***

Cynthia Foley, Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and explained the Snohomish County Department of Health is establishing agreements with local jurisdictions to provide naloxone in exchange for data regarding opioid overdoses.

2. Motion 23-470, authorizing the Executive to sign the Agreement for Naloxone Distribution (Leave-Behind Program) between Snohomish County and City of Everett [2023-1296](#)

**ACTION:** Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislation Session December 6th for consideration.

3. Motion 23-472, authorizing the Executive to sign the Agreement for Naloxone Distribution (Leave-Behind Program) between Snohomish County and Snohomish County Fire District #16 [2023-1298](#)

**ACTION:** Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislation Session December 6th for consideration.

4. Motion 23-507, authorizing the Executive to sign the Agreement for Naloxone Distribution (Leave-Behind Program) between Snohomish County and North County Fire & EMS [2023-1375](#)

**ACTION:** Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislation Session December 6th for consideration.

5. Motion 23-483, authorizing the Executive to sign an amendment with Latino Educational Training Institute to provide advancing health literacy to enhance equitable community responses to Covid-19 Grant Funding [2023-1297](#)

Cynthia Foley, Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and explained the motion authorizes amending the agreement for disseminating health information and improving health care delivery. She said the amendment increases allowable charges by \$200,000.00, bringing the contract maximum to \$400,000.00 and the grant has been extended to June 30, 2024.

**ACTION:** Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislation Session December 6th for consideration.

6. Motion 23-422, approving the 2023-2025 Snohomish County Criminal Justice Treatment Account (CJTA) Plan and authorize the County Executive to approve CJTA contracts and amendments [2023-1170](#)

Cynthia Foley, Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and explained the motion approves the Plan and authorizes the Executive to execute an ensuing contract with the Health Care Authority for administering funds and the County is eligible for \$425,820.00 per year. She provided additional background information.

**ACTION:** Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislation Session December 6th for consideration

7. Motion 23-437, approving a budget transfer or reallocation within the Department of Human Services (Court Appointed Special Advocate) [2023-1174](#)

Cynthia Foley, Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and explained the motion reallocates pending grant funding to pay for expanded Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) program activities and was not anticipated in the 2023 budget. Ms. Foley noted an offsetting reduction is being made from Human Services Pending Grants.

**ACTION:** Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislation Session December 6th for consideration.

8. Motion 23-438, approving a budget transfer or reallocation within the Department of Human Services (Energy Assistance Fund) [2023-1175](#)

Cynthia Foley, Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and explained the motion approves a transfer of \$1,088,000.00 in funding from pending grants to the Energy Assistance Program.

**ACTION:** Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislation Session December 6th for consideration.

9. Motion 23-451, amending the 2023 Annual Action Plan to expand the population served for an existing CDBG Project [2023-1268](#)

Cynthia Foley, Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and explained the motion amends the 2023 Annual Action Plan expanding the population served by the YWCA Families in Transition (YWCA-FIT) project to serve households without children.

**ACTION:** Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislation Session December 6th for consideration.

10. Motion 23-492, approving the 2023 Housing and Behavioral Health Capital Fund Investment Plan and authorizing the director of Human Services to execute necessary documents [2023-1347](#)

Cynthia Foley, Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and explained the motion authorized the Director of Human Services to execute all appropriate documents requisite to implementing the plan. Ms. Foley discussed various supportive housing projects, indicated there is a proposed substitute motion and a potential amendment to the substitute motion, which will be presented at the General Legislature Session.

Mary Jane Brell-Vujovic, Human Services Director, discussed the proposed potential amendment to the substitute motion and responded to questions from committee members.

**ACTION:** Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislation Session December 13th for consideration.

Meeting adjourned at 11:44 a.m.