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SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

ORDINANCE NO. 25-072

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE 2026 PAY PLAN

WHEREAS, SCC 3A.05.010 provides that the human resources director shall prepare and submit a proposed ordinance establishing an annual pay plan setting forth the official pay range for each class of work in the classification plan; and

WHEREAS, SCC 3.68.050 and SCC 3.69.050 provide that pay ranges for exempt employees other than superior court commissioners must be proposed by the human resources director to the executive and council for adoption; and

WHEREAS, the human resources director has prepared and submitted a proposed ordinance that would retitle exempt employees as non-classified personnel and consolidate the classified and non-classified pay plans; and

WHEREAS, the human resources director proposes to create a true five-percent (5%) differential between pay steps and pay grades in the consolidated pay plan where possible to create consistency and administrative simplicity; and

WHEREAS, AFSCME union employes will receive an additional step on their pay schedules effective January 1, 2026 in lieu of a cost of living adjustment; and

WHEREAS, Amended Ordinance No. 24-083 provides that the base 2025 and 2026 compensation levels of non-represented county employees shall be treated the same as those granted to AFSCME union employees not subject to interest arbitration in their collective bargaining agreements covering the years 2024, 2025 and 2026; and

WHEREAS, the majority of bargaining units in the Health Department agreed to a cost of living adjustment formula resulting in a 2.72% across the board increase in 2026; and

WHEREAS, the other wage tables have been established through collective bargaining and or separate statutory processes;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED that the following tables shall be effective January 1, 2026, and together shall constitute the classified and non-classified pay plan, which shall remain in effect until modified by ordinance and as required by collective bargaining agreement:

- Section 1. Exhibit A shall establish the 2026 Allied Professional Health Rate Table.
- Section 2. Exhibit B shall establish the 2026 Health Department (Non-Represented) Rate Table.
 - Section 3. Exhibit C shall establish the 2026 Environmental Health Rate Table.

| 1 | ATTEST: | |
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| 27 28 29 | Melissa Geraghty | |
| 30 31 32 33 | Approved as to form only: | |
| 34 | /s/Steve Bladek | _ |
| 35 | Deputy Prosecuting Attorney | |