



Committee of the Whole

Cynthia Foley

Council Initiated:

Yes

No

ECAF: 2023-1305

Motion: 23-476

Type:

- Contract
- Board Appt.
- Code Amendment
- Budget Action
- Other -
Appointment
Confirmation

Requested Handling:

- Normal
- Expedite
- Urgent

Fund Source:

- General Fund
- Other
- N/A

Executive Rec:

- Approve
- Do Not Approve
- N/A

Approved as to

Form:

- Yes
- No
- N/A

Subject: Confirming the Chief Medical Examiner Appointment

Scope: Motion 23-476 confirms Dr. Job Daniel Augustine as the Chief Medical Examiner.

Dr. Job Daniel Augustine achieved his Doctor of Medicine at University of California, San Diego in 2007. He has an active Washington State Medical license and is certified in Forensic Pathology, as required by Snohomish County Code 2.74.050¹.

Fiscal Impact: Current Year Multi-Year N/A

Authority Granted: N/A

Background: The County Executive has the authority to nominate department directors under Snohomish County Charter Section 3.40². This section also provides the County Council authority to confirm, by a majority vote, the nomination of department directors.

Ordinance 87-042 created the Department of the Medical Examiner. Snohomish County Code 2.74.040³ states that the chief medical examiner shall be nominated and appointed by the executive with the advice and consent of the county council.

An offer letter was extended to Dr. Job Augustine on October 5, 2023 at an annual salary of \$328,820.73.

Requested Action: Assign Motion 23-476 to COW for consideration at Admin Session on October 31, 2023.

¹ [2.74.050 Qualifications of chief medical examiner | Snohomish County Code](#)

² [§ 3.40 Appointments by County Executive and Confirmation | Snohomish County Charter](#)

³ [2.74.040 Appointment of chief medical examiner | Snohomish County Code](#)