



Planning and Community Development

Ryan Hembree

Council Initiated:

☐ Yes

☒ No

ECAF: 2025-2735

Ordinance: 25-051

Type:

☐ Contract

☐ Board Appt.

☒ **Code Amendment**

☐ Budget Action

☐ Other

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:

SW UGA Area Wide Rezones regarding implementation of the 2024 GMA Comprehensive Plan

Scope:

Ordinance 25-051, relating to Growth Management; amending the Snohomish County Official Zoning Map to more fully implement the Urban Medium Density Residential and Urban High Density Residential Designations on the Snohomish County Growth Management Act Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map

Duration:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

☐ Current Year

☐ Multi-Year

☒ **N/A**

Authority Granted:

Authorizes the Executive to approve area-wide rezones that more fully implement the Urban Medium Density Residential and Urban High Density Residential designations adopted on the future land use map in the Snohomish County 2024 Comprehensive Plan.

Background:

The proposed Area-wide Rezones ordinance amends the official zoning map for Snohomish County to rezone approximately 3,500 acres within the Southwest Urban Growth Area to Low Density Multiple Residential (LDMR) and Multiple Residential (MR) zoning. This proposal more fully implements and provides consistency with the Urban Medium Density Residential (UMDR) and Urban High Density Residential (UHDR) designations on the future land use (FLU) map in the adopted 2024 Snohomish County Growth Management Act Comprehensive Plan.

This project will streamline permitting processes by eliminating the need for site-specific rezoning approvals for individual housing development projects in order to build to the planned densities where different zoning is still in place.

Request: Move Ordinance 25-051 to GLS on September 10th to set a time and date for a public hearing.