



Snohomish County Council

Public Hearings

Meeting Minutes

Jared Mead, Council Chair
Nate Nehring, Council Vice-Chair
Councilmembers: Sam Low, Megan Dunn, Strom Peterson

Wednesday, January 25, 2023

10:30 AM

Jackson Board Room
& Remote Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Council Chair Mead called the public hearing to order at 10:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL

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

ACTION ITEMS

Agenda Items #1 and #2 were discussed together:

PRESENT:

Council Chair Mead
Council Vice-Chair Nehring
Councilmember Low (*remote*)
Councilmember Dunn
Councilmember Peterson (*remote*)
Heidi Beazizo, Council Chief of Staff
Elena Lao, Deputy Clerk of the Council

1. Ordinance 22-069, relating to the 2022 Budget; making a supplemental appropriation in Fund 124 to provide expenditure authority for rental assistance (ESG)

[2022-1198](#)

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing and the clerk read the ordinance title into the record.

Heidi Beazizo, Council Chief of Staff, provided an overview of the proposed supplemental appropriations in Fund 124 to deliver rental assistance to targeted populations from the receipt of the following federal grant funds:

- Ordinance 22-069 - Emergency Solutions Grant - \$2,219,036
- Ordinance 22-070 - Treasury Emergency Rental Assistance Funds - \$15,943,064

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing for public testimony for both Ordinance 22-069 and Ordinance 22-070. There being no persons present wishing to testify, he closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Nehring made a motion to approve Ordinance 22-069. Councilmember Dunn seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 22-069 carried unanimously.

2. Ordinance 22-070, relating to the 2022 Budget; making a supplemental appropriation in Fund 124 to provide expenditure authority for rental assistance (TERA) [2022-1199](#)

[See notes under Ordinance 22-069.]

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Nehring made a motion to approve Ordinance 22-070. Councilmember Dunn seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 22-070 carried unanimously.

PRESENT:

Council Chair Mead
Council Vice-Chair Nehring
Councilmember Low (*remote*)
Councilmember Dunn
Councilmember Peterson (*remote*)
Heidi Beazizo, Council Chief of Staff
Elena Lao, Deputy Clerk of the Council

3. Ordinance 22-072, making administrative changes regarding the allocation of revenues appropriated by the state legislature pursuant to the Puget Sound Taxpayer Accountability Act (PSTAA) RCW 43.79.520 [2022-1256](#)

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing and the clerk read the ordinance title into the record.

Heidi Beazizo, Council Chief of Staff, provided a staff report and explained that the ordinance ratifies Motions 22-160, 22-205 and 22-232; authorizes future administrative amendments and allocations of unspent prior program fund amendments to be approved by the Executive; and requires any amendments to the annual services and expenditure plan be submitted to Council for approval by motion.

In response to questions, Ms. Beazizo provided additional information differentiating administrative amendments to be approved by the County Executive and non-administrative amendments that require Council approval by motion.

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing for public testimony. There being no persons present wishing to testify, he closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Nehring made a motion to approve Ordinance 22-072. Councilmember Dunn seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 22-072 carried unanimously.

PRESENT:

Council Chair Mead
Council Vice-Chair Nehring
Councilmember Low (*remote*)
Councilmember Dunn
Councilmember Peterson (*remote*)
Nicole Gorle, Council Staff
Elena Lao, Deputy Clerk of the Council

4. Amended Ordinance 23-001, amending SCC 2.300.100 relating to the composition of the Board of Health [2023-0004](#)

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing and the clerk read the ordinance title into the record.

Nicole Gorle, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided an overview of the proposed ordinance to amend Code relating to Council's representation on the new Board of Health. She also explained proposed Amendment Sheet 1, which adds a definition of what is considered a small and medium/large city for the purpose of the Board of Health membership, as defined by the association of Snohomish County cities and towns.

Discussion ensued relating to the definition of the different sizes of cities and towns, as well as the previous practice of the Board's membership.

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing for public testimony. There being no persons present wishing to testify, he closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

ACTION: Councilmember Dunn made a motion to approve Ordinance 23-001. Council Vice-Chair Nehring seconded the motion.

Councilmember Dunn made a motion to approve Proposed Amendment Sheet 1. Council Vice-Chair Nehring seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 23-001, as amended, carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Council Chair Mead adjourned the Council for the day at 10:42 a.m.