



# Snohomish County Council

## General Legislative Session

### Meeting Minutes

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

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**Wednesday, May 24, 2023**

**9:00 AM**

**Jackson Board Room  
& Remote Meeting**

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#### **PRESENT:**

Council Chair Mead  
Council Vice-Chair Nehring (*remote*)  
Councilmember Low  
Councilmember Dunn  
Councilmember Peterson  
Jim Martin, Council Staff  
Gricelda Montes, Public Advocate  
Elena Lao, Deputy Clerk of the Council

*\*See names listed below of individuals providing public comment.*

#### **A. Call to Order**

Council Chair Mead called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and provided instructions for those wishing to provide public comment in person and remote via Zoom.

#### **B. Roll Call**

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

#### **C. Pledge of Allegiance - Councilmember Low**

Councilmember Low led the assembly with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**D. Public Comments**

The following individual provided public comment:

- Michael Heminger, resident of Gold Bar, shared concerns relating to drug and criminal activities.

**E. Committee of the Whole****F. Resolutions**

1. Resolution 23-019, recognizing and supporting Motorsports in Snohomish County

[2023-0491](#)

The clerk read the resolution into the record.

Councilmember Low thanked the public for attending the meeting and expressed his support of the resolution. He also noted that a meeting has been scheduled with the Executive's Office to discuss the use of County facilities for motorsports.

Council Chair Mead opened public comment and the following individuals spoke in favor of the resolution and urged the Council to support continued use of facilities at the Evergreen State Fairgrounds for indoor motorsports activities:

- Lee Collins, resident of Kent
- Micah Synsteby, resident of Marysville
- Oden Synsteby, resident of Marysville
- Christy Synsteby, resident of Marysville
- Linda Driscoll, resident of Monroe
- Jason Sherman, resident of Marysville
- Marshal Perkins, resident of Gold Bar
- Al Perkins, resident of Anacortes
- Danielle Peterson, resident of Marysville
- Raymond Wyman, resident of Monroe
- Kim Steele, resident of Stanwood
- Roxanne Dibardi, resident of Snohomish
- Tanner Olson, resident of Anacortes
- Ashlee Bartholomew, resident of Anacortes
- Christopher Marsh, resident of Granite Falls
- Rob Rinas, resident of Snohomish County
- Scott McMillan, business owner in Monroe
- Nicole, resident of Monroe
- Brian Birkenstahl, resident of Arlington
- Sasha Torre, resident of Snohomish County

Council Chair Mead noted that the Council will follow up with the Executive's Office on the outcome of the meeting regarding the use of County facilities and provide an update at a future meeting.

**ACTION:** Councilmember Low made a motion to approve Resolution 23-019. Councilmember Dunn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

At 9:53 a.m., Council Chair Mead called for a brief recess and reconvened at 9:56 a.m. The order of the agenda was resumed.

2. Resolution 23-023, raising awareness of the importance of sun safety and recognizing May 26, 2023, as "Don't Fry Day" [2023-0511](#)

The clerk read the resolution title into the record. Council Chair Mead opened for public comment, and there being no persons present wishing to speak on the resolution, called for a motion or discussion of the Council.

Councilmember Dunn spoke in support of the resolution and expressed the importance of sun safety.

**ACTION:** Councilmember Dunn made a motion to approve Resolution 23-023. Councilmember Peterson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

## G. Consent Agenda

1. Motion 23-179, approving termination of easements [2023-0469](#)
2. Motion 23-188, authorizing the County Executive to sign the interagency agreement with state of Washington, Department of Natural Resources for Wildfire [2023-0496](#)
3. Motion 23-202, authorizing the County Executive to sign the January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 Collective Bargaining Agreement between Snohomish County, Washington and Washington State Council of County and City Employees, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, Local 1811-CA District Court (Economic Agreement) [2023-0542](#)
4. Motion 23-203, authorizing the County Executive to sign the January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 Collective Bargaining Agreement between Snohomish County, Washington and the Washington State Council of County and City Employees, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, LOCAL 1811-ES Superior Court Supervisors (Economic Agreement). [2023-0543](#)
5. Motion 23-204, authorizing the County Executive to sign the January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 Collective Bargaining Agreement between Snohomish County, Washington and the [2023-0544](#)

- Washington State Council of County and City Employees, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, LOCAL 1811-HS (Human Services Supervisors)
6. Motion 23-205, authorizing the County Executive to sign the January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 Collective Bargaining Agreement between Snohomish County, Washington and the Washington State Council of County and City Employees, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, LOCAL 1811-PA (Prosecutor's Criminal and Family Support) [2023-0547](#)
  7. Motion 23-206, authorizing the County Executive to sign the January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 Collective Bargaining Agreement between Snohomish County, Washington and the Washington State Council of County and City Employees, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, LOCAL 1811-S (Assessor's Office Supervisors) [2023-0548](#)
  8. Motion 23-207, authorizing the County Executive to sign the January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 Master Collective Bargaining Agreement between Snohomish County and the Washington State Council of County and City Employees, AFSCME, AFL-CIO [2023-0549](#)
  9. Motion 23-210, approving and implementing compensation increases for Non-Represented Snohomish County Employees as authorized in the 2023 Annual Budget [2023-0554](#)
  10. Motion 23-219, approval of the Professional Services Agreement between Snohomish County and Therapeutic Health Services to provide Opiate Substitution Treatment Services at the County jail [2023-0566](#)

**ACTION:** Councilmember Dunn made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Low seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

## H. Administrative Matters

1. Motion 23-220, approving Administrative Matters presented at General Legislative Session on May 24, 2023 [2023-0585](#)
  - a. Setting a public hearing date on June 14, 2023, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. to consider the following:
    - 1) Motion 23-191, reappointing Mark James to the Snohomish County Planning Commission [2023-0528](#)
  - b. Setting a public hearing date on June 14, 2023, at the hour of 10:30 a.m. to consider the following:
    - 1) Ordinance 23-045, approving and authorizing the Snohomish County Executive to sign First Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement between [2023-0465](#)

Snohomish County and the Tulalip Tribes of Washington to implement portions of the Community Floodplain Solutions - Phase II Project

- 2) Ordinance 23-051, relating to Growth Management; promoting innovative housing types in the R-5 Zone; adding a new Chapter 30.41H (Rural Village Housing Demonstration Program); and adding a new section to Chapter 30.86 of the Snohomish County Code [2023-0555](#)
  
- c. Receiving the 2022 Fourth Quarter Contract Report [2023-0514](#)
- d. Receiving the 2023 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Behavioral Health Facilities Awardees Memo [2023-0587](#)
- e. Approval of Council's Official Proceedings for April 2023 [2023-0583](#)

**ACTION:** Councilmember Dunn made a motion to approve Motion 23-220. Councilmember Low seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

## I. Action on Items from Committee

### 1. Community Safety and Justice

### 2. Finance, Budget and Administration

- a. Ordinance 23-049, approving Everett Public Facility District's Interlocal Agreement CLFR-036a [2023-0500](#)

Jim Marin, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided an overview of the proposed interlocal agreement for the Everett Public Facility District to receive Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery grant funds in the amount of \$562,500 for the period of January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2023.

**ACTION:** Councilmember Dunn made a motion to schedule a public hearing to consider Ordinance 23-049 on Wednesday, June 14, 2023, at the hour of 10:30 a.m. Councilmember Low seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

### 3. Health and Community Services

### 4. Planning and Community Development

### 5. Public Infrastructure and Conservation

**6. Committee of the Whole****J. Other Business**

1. Public Advocate Annual Report - Gricelda Montes, Public Advocate [2023-0588](#)

Gricelda Montes, Public Advocate, presented information relating to the Office of the Public Advocate and presented data for the 2022 Annual Report.

Ms. Montes responded to questions relating to non-jurisdictional inquiries and services for families of incarcerated persons.

The Council thanked Ms. Montes for her work and the services provided by her Office.

**K. Public Meetings/Hearings****L. Executive Session****M. Adjourn**

At 10:10 a.m., Council Chair Mead recessed the meeting until the 10:30 a.m. Public Hearings.