



# Snohomish County Council

## Administrative Session

### Meeting Minutes

Stephanie Wright, Council Chair  
Megan Dunn, Council Vice-Chair  
Councilmembers: Sam Low, Nate Nehring, Jared Mead

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**Monday, June 14, 2021**

**10:30 AM**

**Remote Meeting via Zoom**

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#### **RESPONSE TO COVID-19 STATE OF EMERGENCY**

Snohomish County Council held its meeting remotely via Zoom. Governor Inslee's Emergency Proclamations can be accessed at the County Council's Home page - <https://www.snohomishcountywa.gov/172/County-Council>.

#### **PRESENT**

Council Chair Wright  
Council Vice-Chair Dunn  
Councilmember Low  
Councilmember Nehring  
Councilmember Mead  
Geoffrey Thomas, Council Chief of Staff  
Lacey Harper, Executive's Office  
Mary Jane Brell-Vujovic, Human Services  
Elena Lao, Asst. Clerk of the Council

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

Council Chair Wright called the remote meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. and provided remote Zoom instructions for those wishing to provide public comment.

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

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

#### **C. Special Reports**

No Report.

#### **D. Public Comment**

There were no persons present wishing to provide public comment.

**E. Introduction and assignment of legislation to Committee**

*All items assigned as listed below:*

**1. Finance and Economic Development**

- a. Motion 21-218, authorizing approval of Amendment No. 6 to the Professional Services Agreement with Day Vengley & Associates, D.B.A. DVA Advertising & Public Relations, for Destination Marketing & Management Organizational (DMO) Services [2021-0355](#)

**2. Law and Justice/Human Services****3. Operations****4. Planning and Community Development**

- a. Motion 21-219, accepting Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) for federal fiscal year 2019 [2021-0384](#)

**5. Public Works**

- a. Motion 21-220, to approve parking rates and charges effective July 1, 2021 [2021-0399](#)

**6. Committee of the Whole****F. Clerk's Report on Pending Legislation - No Report****G. Reports of Council committees:**

*Committee Chairs announced upcoming committee meetings, as listed below.*

**1. Finance and Economic Development**

*(Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 22, 2021, at 10:30 a.m.)*

**2. Law and Justice/Human Services**

*(Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 14, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.)*

**3. Operations**

*(Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 22, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.)*

**4. Planning and Community Development**

*(Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 15, 2021, at 10:30 a.m.)*

**5. Public Works**

*(Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 15, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.)*

**H. Reports of outside committees**

There were no reports of outside committees.

**I. Chairperson's Report**

1. Planning Commission Pending Issues (5/27/21)

[2021-0357](#)

**J. Chief of Staff's Report**

Geoffrey Thomas, Council Chief of Staff, provided updates relating to the hiring of Council's Administrative Specialist position, as well as preparations for hybrid in-person and remote Council meetings in anticipation of the County's reopening.

**K. Full Council Action on Items from COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

*See above Introduction and assignment of legislation to committees under Committee of the Whole for action taken.*

**L. Other Business**

1. Review of Motion 21-221, approving Administrative Matters presented at Council General Legislative Session on June 16, 2021

[2021-0412](#)

- a. Receiving a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Action – 2021 Snohomish County Drainage Manual (ECAAF 2021-0389)

- b. Approving Council's Official Proceedings for February 2021 (ECAAF 2021-0396)

2. Draft Letter to Governor Inslee RE: Request to Consider Extending Eviction Moratorium - Lacey Harper, Executive's Office

[2021-0413](#)

Lacey Harper, Executive Director, provided information on the request for an extension of the eviction moratorium while the County processes the backlog of rental assistance applications.

Discussion ensued as Ms. Harper, along with Mary Jane Brell-Vujovic, Human Services Director, responded to questions from Council relating to the processing of rental assistance applications, number of applications received, funding distribution to-date, the complexity of the rental assistance program, and the timeline of the eviction moratorium.

Council Vice Chair Dunn expressed appreciation to the Executive's Office and Human Services for their work to address the need for rental assistance, and noted support of the letter.

Council Chair Wright and Councilmember Mead also noted support of the letter.

Councilmembers Low and Nehring noted the need for additional information regarding the processing of applications before signing on to the letter.

**ACTION:** Council Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to sign the letter to Governor Inslee to request an extension of the eviction moratorium. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion and it carried with a vote of three to two, with Councilmembers Low and Nehring voting in opposition.

3. Courthouse Report (written report only)

[2021-0409](#)

**M. Executive Session(s):**

Geoffrey Thomas, Council Chief of Staff, noted that the Council will convene into a remote Executive Session to discuss a matter relating to personnel matters, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g), for 5 minutes with no anticipated action to follow. He noted that any extensions would be announced by the clerk in the open Zoom meeting.

At 10:44 a.m., Council Chair Wright recessed the Council into the remote Executive Session.

1. Personnel Matters  
Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)

PRESENT:

Council Chair Wright  
Council Vice-Chair Dunn  
Councilmember Low  
Councilmember Nehring  
Councilmember Mead  
Geoffrey Thomas, Council Chief of Staff

The remote Executive Session started at 10:44 a.m.  
At 10:49 a.m., the remote Executive Session was extended by 1 minute to 10:50 a.m.  
The remote Executive Session ended at 10:50 a.m.

**N. Adjourn**

At 10:50 a.m., Council Chair Wright reconvened the Council in the open public Zoom meeting and recessed the Council until the 1:30 p.m. Law & Justice/Human Services Committee meeting.