



# Committee of the Whole

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**Council Initiated:**

Yes – CM Mead

No

**ECAF:** 2024-1590

**Motion:** 24-300

**Type:**

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

**Requested Handling:**

- Normal
- Expedite
- Urgent 7/24/24

**Fund Source:**

- General Fund
- Other
- N/A

**Executive Rec:**

- Approve
- Do Not Approve
- N/A

**Approved as to**

**Form:**

- Yes
- No
- N/A

**Subject:** Appointment’s to Pro and Con Committee’s – Public Safety, Health, and Criminal Justice Sales and Use Tax Ballot Proposition

**Scope:** This motion would appoint up to three Snohomish County residents to both the Pro and Con Committee for the Public Safety, Health, and Criminal Justice Sales and Use Tax ballot proposition. As drafted, the motion has three blanks for both the Pro and Con committee where selected applicants will go. A list of applicants is provided with this staff report. Prior to acting on this motion, Council will need to provide the Clerks with direction on which names to fill the motion in with.

**Duration:** n/a – these are short term committee that ends once the pro and con statements are drafted and approved.

**Fiscal Impact:**  Current Year  Multi-Year  N/A

**Authority Granted:** n/a

**Background:** Ordinance 24-047 was first heard at Community Safety and Justice Committee on June 11<sup>th</sup>, was placed on the Administrative Agenda weekly for four weeks to provide for additional discussion, and the final meeting was the Public Hearing on July 10<sup>th</sup> when Council passed the Ordinance. This ballot proposition will appear on the November 5<sup>th</sup> ballot.

Pursuant to RCW 29A.32.280, for each measure from a unit of local government that is included in a local voters’ pamphlet, the legislative authority shall formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating voters’ approval (pro) of the measure and shall formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating voters; rejection (con) of the measure; each committee shall have not more than three members.

The county issued a press release and posted notices on the county’s website and social media notifying the public that citizens can apply to serve on the committees; a total of six (6) individuals applied to serve. This motion would appoint applicants, as directed by council at final consideration, to the Pro and Con Committees. All ballot measure material is due to the Auditor by August 6th. Due to Council’s schedule, this motion must be adopted by July 24th.

**Requested Action:**

1. Provide the Clerks with direction on which names to insert in the blanks for the Pro and the Con Committee; and
2. Consider taking action on the underlying ordinance.