

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
SNOHOMISH COUNTY, WASHINGTON

MOTION NO. 26-316

CONCERNING APPROVAL OF THE ALDERWOOD WATER AND WASTEWATER
DISTRICT GENERAL SEWER PLAN AMENDMENT

WHEREAS, RCW 57.16.010 requires that sewer districts adopt a comprehensive sewer system plan prior to incurring indebtedness or ordering improvements, and that the sewer system plan and plan amendments be consistent with the Snohomish County Growth Management Act (GMA) Comprehensive Plan as per criteria in RCW 57.02.040; and

WHEREAS, WAC 173-240-050 contains the requirements pertaining to the contents of the sewer system plans; and

WHEREAS, Alderwood Water and Wastewater District (the District) submitted a general sewer plan to the Snohomish County Council that was approved on May 2, 2018, Motion No. 18-113; and

WHEREAS, when the County adopted updates to the comprehensive land use plan under the Growth Management Act (GMA), the Southwest Urban Growth Area was expanded. A portion of this expansion is within the District's corporate boundary; and

WHEREAS, the GMA supports the provision of sewer service within Urban Growth Areas; and

WHEREAS, the District prepared and submitted to the Snohomish County Council an amendment to their general sewer plan addressing expansion of the sewer system into the new Urban Growth Area on July 14, 2026; and

WHEREAS, RCW 57.16.010(7) requires that the Snohomish County Engineer, and the Snohomish County Council must each review and approve sewer system plans and amendments that are prepared by sewer districts; and

WHEREAS, the Snohomish County Engineer reviewed the plan amendment and gave approval as required by Title 57 RCW via letter dated July 7, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the District's 2025 "Alderwood General Sewer Plan Amendment – Expanded Urban Growth Area", an amendment to the District's 2017 General Sewer System Plan, has been reviewed by Planning and Development Services and found to be consistent with the County's adopted GMA Comprehensive Plan as per RCW 57.02.040;

THEREFORE, ON MOTION:

- A. The County Council finds that the proposed “Alderwood General Sewer Plan Amendment – Expanded Urban Growth Area”, an amendment to the District’s 2017 General Sewer System Plan, complies with the applicable criteria for approval prescribed in RCW 57.02.040, as outlined below.
- 1) The proposed action is consistent with the county comprehensive plan.
 - 2) There is no separate state-approved basin-wide water or wastewater system plan for this area.
 - 3) There is no separate County general plan for water or wastewater systems covering Alderwood Water and Wastewater District’s service area.

The County Engineer has approved the plan amendment. Therefore, Planning and Development Services recommends that the “Alderwood General Sewer Plan Amendment – Expanded Urban Growth Area”, an amendment to the District’s 2017 General Sewer System Plan, be approved.

- B. Based on the foregoing, the Snohomish County Council approves the “Alderwood General Sewer Plan Amendment – Expanded Urban Growth Area”, an amendment to the District’s 2017 General Sewer System Plan.

PASSED this ____ day of _____, 2026.

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Council Chair

ATTEST:

Deputy Clerk of the Council