



# Planning and Community Development

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Council Initiated:

☐ Yes

☒ No

**ECAF:** 2023-1288

**Motion:** 23-467

**Type:**

☐ Contract

☒ Board Appt.

☐ Code Amendment

☐ Budget Action

☐ Other

**Requested Handling:**

☒ Normal

☐ Expedite

☐ Urgent

**Fund Source:**

☐ General Fund

☐ Other

☒ N/A

**Executive Rec:**

☒ Approve

☐ Do Not Approve

☐ N/A

**Approved as to**

**Form:**

☐ Yes

☐ No

☒ N/A

**Subject:** Board Appointment – Snohomish County Arts Commission.

**Scope:** Motion 23-467 would appoint Maria Guadalupe Casey to the Arts Commission for a first four-year term as an at-large member.

**Duration:** Four years, commencing on passage and ending December 31, 2027.

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

**Authority Granted:** N/A

**Background:**

*This nominee:* Maria Guadalupe Casey is an art instructor teaching at the Seattle Archdiocese who previously ran an interior design business and resides in Everett. Maria writes that she is “passionate about creating and teaching art because [it is] a powerful resource to express feelings and can contribute to the emotional and physical well-being of people.” She is well qualified to serve on the Arts Commission. The County Executive recommends approval of her appointment.

*The Board:* Established in 2004, the Snohomish County Arts Commission is a volunteer advisory board to the executive branch that proposes and oversees a county arts program ([SCC 2.95.010](#)). This arts program includes strategic objectives and specific tasks recommended by the arts commission and approved by the County Executive and County Council acting by motion ([SCC 2.95.050](#)). Provisions for the duties and powers of the Arts Commission are in SCC [2.95.040](#).

Arts commissioners shall possess knowledge of, or demonstrated accomplishment in, and artistic field or have demonstrated a deep interest in and appreciation of cultural and artistic activities (SCC 2.95.030). There are positions for eleven members, including at least one from each council district plus six at-large members. No more than three at-large members can reside in the same council district. Terms of appointment are four years. Appointment to fill a vacancy in an unexpired term is for remainder of the unexpired term.

**Request:** Move to General Legislative Session on December 13, 2023, for consideration.