



# Snohomish County Council

## Public Hearings

## Meeting Minutes

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

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Wednesday, July 12, 2023

10:30 AM

Jackson Board Room  
& Remote Meeting

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### CALL TO ORDER

Council Chair Mead called the public hearing to order at 10:30 a.m.

### ROLL CALL

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

### ACTION ITEMS

#### PRESENT:

Council Chair Mead  
Council Vice-Chair Nehring  
Councilmember Low (*remote*)  
Councilmember Dunn  
Councilmember Peterson  
Deb Bell, Council Staff  
Elena Lao, Deputy Clerk of the Council

1. Ordinance 23-053, granting a non-exclusive franchise authorizing limited use of the public road rights-of-way in portions of Unincorporated Snohomish County, Washington to Snohomish School District No. 201 [2023-0581](#)

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing and the clerk read the ordinance title into the record.

Deb Bell, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided an overview of the terms of the proposed non-exclusive franchise agreement to construct, operate, and maintain a telecommunications system within public rights-of-way

in unincorporated Snohomish County. She also noted that the County's expenditures are estimated at \$1,000, to be reimbursed by the applicant prior to recording of the franchise.

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing for public testimony. There being no persons present wishing to testify, he closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

**ACTION:** Council Vice-Chair Nehring made a motion to approve Ordinance 23-053. Councilmember Dunn seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 23-053 carried unanimously.

**PRESENT:**

Council Chair Mead  
Council Vice-Chair Nehring  
Councilmember Low (*remote*)  
Councilmember Dunn  
Councilmember Peterson  
Deb Bell, Council Staff  
Elena Lao, Deputy Clerk of the Council

2. Ordinance 23-054, granting a non-exclusive franchise authorizing limited use of the public road rights-of-way in portions of Unincorporated Snohomish County, Washington to City of Snohomish [2023-0593](#)

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing and the clerk read the ordinance title into the record.

Deb Bell, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided an overview of the terms of the proposed non-exclusive franchise agreement to construct, operate, and maintain a sewer and water system within public rights-of-way in unincorporated Snohomish County. She also noted that the County's expenditures are estimated at \$1,000, to be reimbursed by the applicant prior to recording of the franchise.

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing for public testimony. There being no persons present wishing to testify, he closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

**ACTION:** Council Vice-Chair Nehring made a motion to approve Ordinance 23-054. Councilmember Dunn seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 23-054 carried unanimously.

**PRESENT:**

Council Chair Mead  
Council Vice-Chair Nehring  
Councilmember Low (*remote*)  
Councilmember Dunn  
Councilmember Peterson  
Deb Bell, Council Staff  
Elena Lao, Deputy Clerk of the Council

3. Ordinance 23-059, granting a non-exclusive telecommunications franchise authorizing limited use of the public road rights-of-way in Snohomish County, Washington to Ziplly Fiber Northwest, LLC d/b/a Ziplly Fiber [2023-0624](#)

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing and the clerk read the ordinance title into the record.

Deb Bell, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided an overview of the terms of the proposed non-exclusive franchise agreement to construct, operate, and maintain a telecommunications system within public rights-of-way in unincorporated Snohomish County. She also noted that the County's expenditures are estimated at \$1,000, to be reimbursed by the applicant prior to recording of the franchise.

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing for public testimony. There being no persons present wishing to testify, he closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

**ACTION:** Council Vice-Chair Nehring made a motion to approve Ordinance 23-059. Councilmember Dunn seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 23-059 carried unanimously.

**PRESENT:**

Council Chair Mead  
Council Vice-Chair Nehring  
Councilmember Low (*remote*)  
Councilmember Dunn  
Councilmember Peterson  
Deb Bell, Council Staff  
Elena Lao, Deputy Clerk of the Council

4. Ordinance 23-063, granting a non-exclusive franchise authorizing limited use of the public road rights-of-way in portions of [2023-0665](#)

Snohomish County, Washington to Mukilteo Water and Wastewater District

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing and the clerk read the ordinance title into the record.

Deb Bell, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided an overview of the terms of the proposed non-exclusive franchise agreement to construct, operate, and maintain a water distribution and wastewater conveyance system within public rights-of-way in unincorporated Snohomish County. She also noted that the County's expenditures are estimated at \$1,000, to be reimbursed by the applicant prior to recording of the franchise.

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing for public testimony. There being no persons present wishing to testify, he closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

**ACTION:** Council Vice-Chair Nehring made a motion to approve Ordinance 23-063. Councilmember Dunn seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 23-063 carried unanimously.

**PRESENT:**

Council Chair Mead  
Council Vice-Chair Nehring  
Councilmember Low (*remote*)  
Councilmember Dunn  
Councilmember Peterson  
Deb Bell, Council Staff  
Elena Lao, Deputy Clerk of the Council

5. Ordinance 23-058, amending Ordinance No. 21-036; relating to a vacated portion of 99th Avenue NW, a Snohomish County Road Right-Of-Way [2023-0622](#)

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing and the clerk read the ordinance title into the record.

Deb Bell, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report explaining that the proposed ordinance amends Ordinance 21-036 to remove the requirement that the County retain a utility easement and to modify the requirement for an access easement, with conditions. She further noted that the vacation of the County right-of-way shall not take effect unless the Petitioner pays the itemized costs and expenses of the proceedings and completes the conditions.

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing for public testimony. There being no persons present wishing to testify, he closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

**ACTION:** Council Vice-Chair Nehring made a motion to approve Ordinance 23-063. Councilmember Dunn seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 23-063 carried unanimously.

## **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, Council Chair Mead adjourned the Council for the day at 10:39 a.m.