



Snohomish County

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Re: Letter of Support – Snohomish County Opportunity Zones 2.0 Nominations

Dear Governor Ferguson,

On behalf of Snohomish County, we are writing to express strong support for the nomination of eight census tracts within the County under the Opportunity Zones 2.0 program. The eight census tracts were identified in coordination with the Economic Alliance Snohomish County (EASC), City of Arlington, City of Bothell, City of Everett, City of Lynnwood, City of Marysville, City of Monroe, City of Mountlake Terrace, City of Snohomish, and the Snohomish County Public Utility District (PUD).

These nominated tracts reflect areas of strategic importance to our County, including census tracts with proximity to light rail and regional transit, communities facing housing affordability challenges, and areas with strong potential for job creation and economic growth. The Opportunity Zone designation would help attract the private capital needed to accelerate development in places that have too often been passed over.


EASC has led the coordination effort to prepare and package these applications, and we are confident that EASC and our participating Cities have prepared and represent a compelling case for Snohomish County. We look forward to working with the Department of Commerce and the Governor’s Office throughout the review process.

Snohomish County is committed to supporting investment that creates jobs, expands housing options, and improves the quality of life for all residents. These nominations reflect that commitment.


Sincerely,



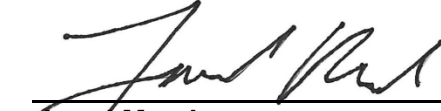
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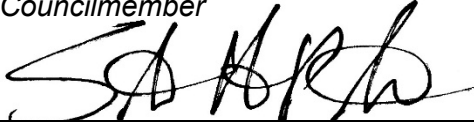
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