



# Snohomish County Council

## Public Hearings

## Meeting Minutes

Megan Dunn, Council Chair  
Jared Mead, Council Vice-Chair  
Councilmembers: Stephanie Wright, Sam Low, Nate Nehring

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**Wednesday, February 23, 2022**

**10:30 AM**

**Remote Meeting via Zoom**

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### CALL TO ORDER

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

### ROLL CALL

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

### ACTION ITEMS

#### PRESENT:

Council Chair Dunn  
Council Vice-Chair Mead  
Councilmember Wright (not present)  
Councilmember Low  
Councilmember Nehring  
Deb Bell, Council Staff  
Elena Lao, Asst. Clerk of the Council

1. Ordinance 22-004, approving and authorizing the Snohomish County Executive to sign an interlocal agreement for Overlay Improvements within Cross Valley Water District

[2022-0010](#)

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

Deb Bell, Legislative Analyst, provided an overview of the interlocal agreement and noted that the County will be reimbursed in full for the actual costs of services provided.

Council Chair Dunn opened the hearing for public testimony and provided instructions for remote participation in the Zoom meeting. There being no persons present wishing to provide public testimony, she closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

**ACTION:** Council Vice-Chair Mead made a motion to approve Ordinance 22-004. Councilmember Low seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 22-004 carried unanimously by the four members present.

**PRESENT:**

Council Chair Dunn  
Council Vice-Chair Mead  
Councilmember Wright (not present)  
Councilmember Low  
Councilmember Nehring  
Jim Martin, Council Staff  
Elena Lao, Asst. Clerk of the Council

2. Ordinance 22-001, relating to the 2022 budget; making a supplemental appropriation in General Fund 002 to provide expenditure authority for unanticipated funds

[2022-0003](#)

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

Jim Martin, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report on the proposed supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$5,700,000.

Council Chair Dunn opened the hearing for public testimony and provided instructions for remote participation in the Zoom meeting. There being no persons present wishing to provide public testimony, she closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

**ACTION:** Council Vice-Chair Mead made a motion to approve Ordinance 22-001. Councilmember Low seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 22-001 carried unanimously by the four members present.

**PRESENT:**

Council Chair Dunn  
Council Vice-Chair Mead  
Councilmember Wright (not present)  
Councilmember Low  
Councilmember Nehring  
Jim Martin, Council Staff  
Elena Lao, Asst. Clerk of the Council

3. Ordinance 22-002, relating to animal relinquishment fee; amending [2022-0005](#) section 9.12.055 of Snohomish County Code

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

Jim Martin, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided an overview of the proposed Code amendment to allow the Director of Animal Services to set the annual rate for animal relinquishment fee, subject to approval by motion of the Council.

Council Chair Dunn opened the hearing for public testimony and provided instructions for remote participation in the Zoom meeting. There being no persons present wishing to provide public testimony, she closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

**ACTION:** Council Vice-Chair Mead made a motion to approve Ordinance 22-002. Councilmember Low seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 22-002 carried unanimously by the four members present.

**PRESENT:**

Council Chair Dunn  
Council Vice-Chair Mead  
Councilmember Wright (not present)  
Councilmember Low  
Councilmember Nehring  
Jim Martin, Council Staff  
Elena Lao, Asst. Clerk of the Council

4. Motion 22-017, approving the relinquishment fee for an animal set [2022-0006](#) by the Snohomish County Auditor

Council Chair Dunn opened the hearing and the clerk read the motion title into the record.

Jim Martin, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report on the proposal to set the 2022 animal relinquishment fee at \$215 per animal.

Council Chair Dunn opened the hearing for public testimony and provided instructions for remote participation in the Zoom meeting. There being no persons present wishing to provide public testimony, she closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

**ACTION:** Council Vice-Chair Mead made a motion to approve Motion 22-017. Councilmember Low seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by the four members present.

**PRESENT:**

Council Chair Dunn

Council Vice-Chair Mead

Councilmember Wright (not present)

Councilmember Low

Councilmember Nehring

Ryan Countryman, Council Staff

Debbie Eco, Clerk of the Council

*\*See below for names of people who provided testimony.*

5. Ordinance 21-106, relating to growth management; amending development regulations in chapters 30.24 and 30.41 SCC pertaining to roads and access

[2021-1085](#)

Chair Dunn opened the public hearing and the clerk read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Ryan Countryman, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and stated this ordinance would amend several sections of the Snohomish County Code. He spoke to the two proposed amendments. There were no questions from councilmembers.

Chair Dunn opened the hearing for public testimony. The following people provided testimony:

Mike Pattison, Master Builders Association, provided testimony in support of the ordinance.

Tracy Tate, resident of the city of Everett, spoke about road design and safe roadways and places for people to be physically active.

There being no further persons wishing to testify, Chair Dunn closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

**ACTION:** Vice-Chair Mead made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 21-106. Councilmember Low seconded the motion.

Vice-Chair Mead made a motion to approve Amendment Sheet 1. Councilmember Low seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by the four members present.

Vice-Chair Mead made a motion to approve Amendment Sheet 2. Councilmember Low seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by the four members present.

The question was called for and the clerk called the roll. The motion to approve Ordinance No. 21-106, as amended, carried unanimously by the four members present.

**PRESENT:**

Council Chair Dunn  
Council Vice-Chair Mead  
Councilmember Wright (not present)  
Councilmember Low  
Councilmember Nehring  
Ryan Countryman, Council Staff  
Debbie Eco, Clerk of the Council

*\*See below for names of people who provided testimony.*

6. Ordinance 22-003, relating to the Growth Management Act, amending the Population and Employment Growth Targets in Appendix B and the Urban Growth Area Map and Southwest Snohomish County Municipal Urban Growth Area Map in Appendix A of the Countywide Planning Policies for Snohomish County to establish 2044 Initial Population and Employment Growth Targets [2022-0007](#)

Chair Dunn opened the public hearing and the clerk read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Ryan Countryman, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a brief staff report. There were no questions from councilmembers.

Chair Dunn opened the hearing for public testimony. The following people provided testimony:

Clay White, LDC, provided testimony in support of the ordinance.

Tom Matlack, resident of city of Lake Stevens, provided testimony in support of the original ordinance, but expressed concerns with the amendment.

Yorik Stevens-Wajda, city of Everett, provided testimony in support of the ordinance.

There being no further persons wishing to testify, Chair Dunn closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

**ACTION:** Vice-Chair Mead made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 22-003. Councilmember Low seconded the motion.

Chair Dunn said she is opposing the amendment sheet and stated she feels it undermines the process.

The question was called for and the clerk called the roll. The motion to approve Ordinance No. 22-003 carried unanimously by the four members present.

## **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, Chair Dunn adjourned the Council for the day at 11:01 a.m.