



Community Safety and Justice

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Council Initiated:

☐ Yes

☒ No

ECAF: 2024-1043

Motion: 24-228

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 Children’s Commission

Scope: Confirm the appointment of Kim Gaffney to the Snohomish County Children’s Commission to an initial term.

Kim resides in Council District 2, is the Executive Director of Youth Leadership at the YMCA and Big Brother Big Sister of Snohomish County with a focus on youth development for kids age 11-18.

Duration: Three years from the date of confirmation

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

Authority Granted: n/a

Background: The Snohomish County Council established the Children’s Commission (commission) by Ordinance 85-060¹ in July 1985 under [SCC 2.410.010](#). The commission, consisting of twenty-five members, advises the County Executive and Department of Human Services on issues of health, safety, and social services for infants, young children, and youth in Snohomish County.

The commission can:

- Conduct hearings to determine and provide community forums related to health, mental health, safety, and social services needs and priorities for people up to age 18 years old,
- Provide reports and advise Snohomish County on priorities, objectives, and tasks that affect people up to age 18 years old, and
- Provide technical assistance and advocate to public and private sector entities for the interest of people up to age 18 years old.

The Board consists of not more than 25 members. The membership’s composition pursuant to [SCC 2.410.030](#) is to be as follows:

- 2 members under the age of 18 years old
- 10 at-large members
- 3 members from each of the 5 districts

Additionally, members shall represent one or more of the following areas: health and human services, education, business and labor, law and justice, concerned citizens, Washington department of social and health services, US department of health and

¹ <https://snohomish.county.codes/enactments/Ord85-060/media/original.pdf>

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human services, youth, elected officials, and minorities. The County Council may name an ex officio member to the commission.

Terms for people under the age of 18 are one year and for people 18 and over are four years. People may serve up to three consecutive terms. After serving three consecutive terms, a person may serve additional terms after two years' absence from the commission.

Requested Action: Move to GLS on June 12th for consideration.