



Snohomish County Council

Public Hearings

Meeting Minutes

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

Wednesday, May 14, 2025

10:30 AM

**Jackson Board Room - 8th Floor
Robert J. Drewel Building
& Remote Meeting**

PRESENT:

Council Chair Nehring
Council Vice-Chair Dunn
Councilmember Low
Councilmember Mead
Councilmember Peterson
Ryan Countryman, Council Staff
Lisa Hickey, Asst. Clerk of the Council

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Nehring called the Council to order at 10:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL

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

ACTION ITEM

PRESENT:

Council Chair Nehring
Council Vice-Chair Dunn
Councilmember Low
Councilmember Mead
Councilmember Peterson
Ryan Countryman, Council Staff
Lisa Hickey, Assistant Clerk of the Council

**See name listed below of individuals providing public testimony.*

1. Ordinance 24-097, relating to the Critical Area Regulations Update pursuant to the Growth Management Act, amending Snohomish County Code Chapters 30.62A Wetlands and Fish and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Areas, 30.62B Geologically Hazard Areas, 30.62C Critical Aquifer Recharge Areas, 30.43C Flood Hazard Permits, 30.86 Fees, and 30.91 Definitions [2024-2646](#)

Chair Nehring opened the public hearing.

Ryan Countryman, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report.

Chair Nehring opened the hearing for public testimony. The following individuals provided public testimony:

- William Lider, resident of Lynnwood
- Marcus Reaves, Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Todd Gray, Tulalip Tribes
- Bill Blake, resident of Stillaguamish
- Don Bailey, resident of Snohomish
- Joan Smith, resident of Edmonds
- Clare Walderman, resident of Edmonds
- Tom Murdoch, Adopt a Stream Foundation
- Duane Farrar, resident of Bothell
- Cassandra Beaumont, resident of Everett
- Dagny Cook, Pacific Ridge Homes
- Marilyn Errey, resident of Snohomish
- Bill Derry, Pilchuck Audubon Society
- Ian Faulds, resident of Snohomish County
- Eric Adman, resident of Kenmore
- Sally Jo Sebring, resident of Lake Stevens
- Brian Holtzclaw, Master Builders Association
- David Wilson, resident of Unincorporated Snohomish County
- Laura, resident of Snohomish County
- Arthur Baines, resident of Unincorporated Snohomish County
- Kristin Kelly, Futurewise
- Nancy Wilkinson, resident of Everett
- Emily Atkins, Department of Ecology
- Helen Gabel, resident of Bothell
- Debbie Wetzal, resident of Clearview
- Elizabeth Mooney, resident of Kemore
- Joan Thomas, resident of Unincorporated Snohomish County
- Eileen Maxfield, resident of Snohomish County
- James Lafew, resident of Maltby
- Shawna Lee, resident of Unincorporated Snohomish County
- Linda Gray, resident of Snohomish County

There being no further persons present wishing to testify, Chair Nehring closed the testimony portion of the hearing at 12:13 p.m.

Council recessed at 12:15 p.m. and returned at 12:45 p.m.

Council discussion ensued.

Councilmember Mead made a motion to approve Ordinance 24-097. Vice-Chair Dunn seconded the motion.

Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve proposed Amendment 2a. Councilmember Low seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Councilmember Mead made a motion to approve proposed Amendment 3. Councilmember Low seconded the motion and it carried 3-2 with Vice-Chair Dunn and Councilmember Peterson voting against.

The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 24-097, as amended, and it carried 3-2 with Vice-Chair Dunn and Councilmember Peterson voting against.

AMENDED AND APPROVED: 3-2

ADJOURN

Chair Nehring adjourned the Council for the day at 1:16 p.m.