



# Committee of the Whole

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## Council Initiated:

☒ Yes: CM Low & CM Mead

☐ No

**ECAF:** 2026-2008

**Ordinance:** 26-039

### Type:

☐ Contract

☐ Board Appt.

☒ Code Amendment

☐ Budget Action

☐ Other

### Requested Handling:

☐ Normal

☐ Expedite

☒ Urgent

### Fund Source:

☐ General Fund

☐ Other Rd Fund

☒ N/A

### Executive Rec:

☐ Approve

☐ Did Not Approve

☒ N/A

### Approved as to

#### Form:

☒ Yes

☐ No

☐ N/A

**Subject:** Fire Stations and Sheriff Precincts.

**Scope:** The proposed ordinance will amend Title 30 of SCC to update development regulations related to the siting of fire and law enforcement facilities by allowing such uses outright in multiple zoning districts.

**Duration:** NA

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

**Authority Granted:** The Snohomish County Charter Section 2.20(4) vests the county council with the legislative power to adopt by ordinance zoning regulations and other land use and development regulations, including improvement plans for the present and future development of the county.

**Background:** Snohomish County Code 30.22, under zoning regulations, establishes which types of uses may be permitted (allowed outright), conditionally permitted (requires special review to ensure compatibility with permitted uses in the same zone, granted by the Hearing Examiner), administrative conditionally permitted (which requires a special review by the Department of Planning and Development Services), or prohibited (not allowed at all).

The proposed code changes would add the definitions of a Fire Station and Sheriff Precinct to Title 30 of the Snohomish County Code, including the addition of the uses within the established zoning matrix, within the various zoning districts of Snohomish County.

**Action Requested:** For the Council to move the Ordinance to GLS on August 19, 2026, to set time and date for Public Hearing on September 9, 2026.