



Snohomish County Council

Administrative Session

Meeting Minutes

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

Tuesday, January 23, 2024

9:00 AM

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

PRESENT:

Council Chair Mead
Council Vice-Chair Nehring
Councilmember Low
Councilmember Dunn
Councilmember Peterson (*remote*)
Heidi Beazizo, Chief of Staff
Jim Martin, Council Staff
Lacey Harper, Executive's Office
Josh Weiss, Gordon Thomas Honeywell
Annika Vaughn, Gordon Thomas Honeywell
Dale Learn, Gordon Thomas Honeywell
Paul Hoover, Gordon Thomas Honeywell
Debbie Eco, Clerk of the Council

A. Call to Order

Chair Mead called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

B. Roll Call

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

C. Special Reports

1. State Legislative Update - Gordon Thomas Honeywell

[2024-0102](#)

Lacey Harper, Executive's Office, provided an introduction. Josh Weiss, Gordon Thomas Honeywell, provided a state legislative report.

2. Federal Legislative Update - Gordon Thomas Honeywell

Ms. Harper provided an introduction. Dale Learn and Paul Hoover, Gordon Thomas Honeywell, provided a federal legislative report. There was Council consensus to move forward with the project list and Ms. Harper will work with Ms. Beazizo to finalize the NACO agenda.

D. Public Comment

There were no persons present wishing to provide public comment.

E. Introduction and Assignment of Legislation to Committees

All items assigned as listed below:

1. Community Safety and Justice

- a. Motion 24-024, approving contract with Natalie Findley-Wolf to provide indigent services for the period from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024 [2024-0042](#)
- b. Motion 24-025, approving contract with Kristen Gestaut-Elsner to provide indigent services for the period from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024 [2024-0043](#)
- c. Motion 24-026, approving contract with Stephen Ritchie to provide indigent services for the period from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024 [2024-0047](#)
- d. Motion 24-027, approving contract with Timothy Johnson to provide indigent services for the period from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024 [2024-0048](#)

2. Finance, Budget and Administration

- a. Motion 24-022, authorizing an Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with the city of Washougal [2024-0049](#)

3. Health and Community Services

- a. Ordinance 24-002, approving and authorizing form agreements for affiliation between schools and Snohomish County [2024-0054](#)
- b. Ordinance 24-004, uses of the Affordable and Supportive Housing Sales Tax Credit [2024-0041](#)
- c. Motion 24-023, authorizing the Executive to sign the Agreement for Public Speaking Training Services with Story Fruition, LLC [2024-0045](#)

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- d. Motion 24-034, authorizing the Executive to sign the agreement for naloxone distribution (Leave-Behind Program) between Snohomish County and South Snohomish County Fire & Rescue Regional Fire Authority [2024-0064](#)
- 4. Planning and Community Development**
- a. Motion 24-030, confirming reappointment to the Snohomish County Noxious Weed Control Board (Joshua C. Misenaar) [2024-0046](#)
- 5. Public Infrastructure and Conservation**
- a. Ordinance 24-003, approving and authorizing the County Executive to sign the Interlocal Agreement between Snohomish County and Snohomish Conservation District for the Skykomish Riparian Agroforestry Feasibility, Swans Trail Slough, and Community Engagement, Outreach and Education Projects in the Stillaguamish Basin [2024-0067](#)
- b. Motion 24-029, authorizing Grant Contract Agreement Number 22-96634-174 with Washington State Department of Commerce for the Snohomish County Food & Farming Center [2024-0053](#)
- c. Motion 24-033, authorizing the County Executive to approve the ICC recommendations related to the Local Public Works Assistance Fund Loan program for the 2023 program year [2024-0075](#)
- 6. Committee of the Whole**
- a. Ordinance 24-005, approving an Interlocal Agreement between Snohomish County and the city of Sultan for Mountain View Park [2024-0066](#)
- Jim Martin, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report.
- ACTION:** Vice-Chair Nehring made a motion to set time and date for a public hearing for Ordinance 24-005 for February 7, 2024, at the hour of 10:30 a.m. Councilmember Low seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- b. Motion 24-032, approving a budget transfer in Grant Fund 130 for the Office of Recovery and Resilience [2024-0065](#)
- Jim Martin, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report.
- ACTION:** Vice-Chair Nehring made a motion to approve Motion 24-032. Councilmember Dunn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
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- c. Motion 24-028, issuing a notice to proceed to complete a performance audit

[2024-0059](#)

Heidi Beazizo, Chief of Staff, provided a staff report.

ACTION: Vice-Chair Nehring made a motion to approve Motion 24-028. Councilmember Low seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

F. Clerk's Report on Pending Legislation - No Report

G. Reports of Council Committees:

1. Community Safety and Justice

(Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 27, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.)

2. Finance, Budget and Administration

(Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 23, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.)

3. Health and Community Services

(Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 23, 2024, at 11:00 a.m.)

4. Planning and Community Development

(Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 6, 2024, at 11:00 a.m.)

5. Public Infrastructure and Conservation

(Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 6, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.)

H. Reports of Outside Committees

Councilmember Dunn provided a report for the Puget Sound Regional Council.

I. Chairperson's Report

1. Upcoming Planning Commission Meeting Topics - January 4, 2024

[2024-0011](#)

J. Chief of Staff's Report

Heidi Beazizo, Chief of Staff, provided a report.

1. Department of Natural Resources Concurrence Letter

[2024-0101](#)

Ms. Beazizo spoke of a letter of concurrence to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) she drafted by request of the Council. Brief discussion ensued.

ACTION: Vice-Chair Nehring made a motion to authorize the Chair to sign the letter of concurrence to the DNR, Councilmember Low seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Additional direction was given to the Chief of Staff to finalize the letter with more general language regarding funding.

K. Full Council Action on Items from Committee of the Whole

See above Introduction and assignment of legislation to committees under Committee of the Whole for actions taken.

L. Other Business

1. Motion 24-031, approving Administrative Matters presented at General Legislative Session on January 24, 2024 [2024-0070](#)
 - a. Receiving the Risk Management 2023 4th Quarter Report [2024-0055](#)
 - b. Receiving the Risk Management 2023 Annual Report [2024-0068](#)
 - c. Approving Piggyback Award Recommendation for the use of a “piggyback” competitive bid issued and awarded by Spokane County in the amount of \$522,816.00. [2024-0074](#)
 - d. Approval of Council's Official Proceedings for December 2023 [2024-0069](#)
 - e. Setting a public hearing date on February 7, 2024, at the hour of 10:30 a.m. to consider the following:
 - 1) Ordinance 24-001, approving and authorizing the Snohomish County Executive to sign the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Everett, Snohomish Conservation District and Snohomish County for Cooperative Efforts to Promote, Facilitate and Undertake LID and Other NPDES Permit Related Programs and Activities [2024-0013](#)

M. Executive Session(s):

N. Adjourn

At 9:31 a.m., Chair Mead recessed the Council until the 10:00 a.m. Finance, Budget and Administration Committee meeting.