



Snohomish County Council

General Legislative Session

Meeting Minutes

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

Wednesday, October 13, 2021

9:00 AM

Remote Meeting via Zoom

PRESENT:

Council Chair Wright
Council Vice-Chair Dunn
Councilmember Low
Councilmember Nehring
Councilmember Mead (entered meeting at 9:13 a.m.)
Geoffrey Thomas, Council Chief of Staff
Heidi Beazizo, Council Staff
Ryan Countryman, Council Staff
Debra Bordsen, Domestic Violence Services Snohomish County
Elena Lao, Asst. Clerk of the Council

A. Call to Order

Council Chair Wright called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and provided instructions for those wishing to provide public comment remotely via Zoom.

B. Roll Call

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

C. Pledge of Allegiance - Council Chair Wright

Council Chair Wright led the assembly with the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. Tribal Land Acknowledgement

1. Tribal Land Acknowledgement

Council Vice-Chair Dunn read the Tribal Land Acknowledgement into the record. [2021-0702](#)

E. Public Comments

There were no persons present wishing to provide public comment.

F. Committee of the Whole**G. Resolutions**

1. Resolution 21-040, recognizing the month of October as Disability Employment Awareness Month in Snohomish County [2021-0892](#)

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Resolution 21-040. Councilmember Low seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by the four members present.

2. Resolution 21-041, recognizing October 2021 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month [2021-0893](#)

Debra Bordsen, Domestic Violence Services (DVS), spoke in support of the resolution and thanked the County for the continued support of raising awareness and helping victims of domestic violence.

Council Chair Wright and Council Vice-Chair Dunn thanked Ms. Bordsen and DVS for the important services they provide in the community.

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Resolution 21-041. Councilmember Nehring seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by the four members present.

H. Consent Agenda**I. Administrative Matters**

1. Motion 21-385, approving Administrative Matters presented at Council General Legislative Session on October 13, 2021 [2021-0872](#)
 - a. Approving Bid Award Recommendation 024-21DW for the purchase of wheeled loaders from NC Machinery, in the amount of \$524,777 plus WA State Sales Tax, and from Pape Machinery, in the amount of \$408,000 plus WA State Sales Tax [2021-0830](#)
 - b. Approval of Council's Official Proceedings for July and August 2021 [2021-0877](#)

- c. Receiving the Snohomish County Tomorrow's Steering Committee Action Items for the 3rd Quarter of 2021 [2021-0882](#)

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Motion 21-385. Councilmember Low seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by the four members present.

J. Action on Items from Committee

1. Finance and Economic Development
2. Law and Justice/Human Services
3. Conservation, Sustainability and Recreation
4. Planning and Community Development
5. Public Works and Infrastructure

[Clerk Note: Councilmember Mead entered the meeting at 9:13 a.m.]

6. Committee of the Whole

- a. Motion 21-371 approving release and indemnity agreement for transfer of Sheriff's Office K9-Rex [2021-0816](#)

Heidi Beazizo, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report.

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Motion 21-371. Councilmember Nehring seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- b. Motion 21-381, approving the interlocal agreement between Snohomish County and the city of Sultan relating to law enforcement services [2021-0846](#)

Heidi Beazizo, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report.

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Motion 21-381. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- c. Motion 21-382, approving 2nd amendment to 2021 contract for legal services [2021-0845](#)

Heidi Beazizo, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report.

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Motion 21-382. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- d. Motion 21-383, approving 2nd amendment to 2021 contract for special services [2021-0847](#)

Heidi Beazizo, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report.

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Motion 21-383. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

K. Other Business

L. Public Meetings/Hearings

1. Motion 21-296, reappointing Keri Moore to the Snohomish County Planning Commission [2021-0656](#)

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

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

Council Chair Wright opened the hearing for public testimony. There being no persons present wishing to testify, she closed public testimony and called for a motion or discussion of the Council.

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Motion 21-296. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

M. Executive Session

Geoffrey Thomas, Council Chief of Staff, stated that the Council will convene into two Executive Session to discuss matters relating to potential litigation, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i), and labor relations, pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b), for an initial 15 minutes, with no anticipated action to follow.

At 9:20 a.m., Council Chair Wright recessed the Council into the two remote Executive Sessions.

1. Potential Litigation
Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)
DPA: S. Reay

PRESENT:

Council Chair Wright
Council Vice-Chair Dunn
Councilmember Low
Councilmember Nehring
Councilmember Mead
Geoffrey Thomas, Council Chief of Staff
Jim Martin, Council Staff
Heidi Beazizo, Council Staff
Nicole Gorle, Council Staff
Deb Bell, Council Staff
Ryan Countryman, Council Staff
Ken Klein, Executive Director
Lacey Harper, Executive Director
Tom Teigen, Conservation and Natural Resources Director
Sharon Swan, DCNR
Jeremy Husby, DCNR
Gregg Farris, Surface Water Management Director
Laura Frolich, Public Works
Mike McCrary, Planning & Development Services Director
Jason Cummings, Chief Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney
Rebecca Guadamud, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney
Laura Kisielius, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney
Steven Bladek, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

The Executive Session started at 9:20 a.m. for an initial 15 minutes to 9:35 a.m. At 9:35 a.m., an extension was announced for 10 minutes to 9:45 a.m.

2. Labor Relations
Pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b)
DPA: S. Bladek

PRESENT:

Council Chair Wright
Council Vice-Chair Dunn
Councilmember Low
Councilmember Nehring
Councilmember Mead
Geoffrey Thomas, Council Chief of Staff
Jim Martin, Council Staff
Heidi Beazizo, Council Staff
Nicole Gorle, Council Staff

Deb Bell, Council Staff
Ryan Countryman, Council Staff
Ken Klein, Executive Director
Lacey Harper, Executive Director
Nathan Kennedy, Finance Director
Rhea Reynolds, Human Resources Director
Rob Sprague, Chief Labor Contract Negotiator
Jason Cummings, Chief Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney
Steven Bladek, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

The Executive Session started at 9:36 a.m. and ended at 9:45 a.m.

N. Adjourn

At 9:45 a.m., Council Chair Wright reconvened the meeting and recessed the Council until the 10:30 a.m. Public Hearing.