SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

MOTION NO. 24-226

RATIFYING THE LOW INCOME PROGRAM AGENCY AGREEMENT WITH PUGET SOUND ENERGY AND APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO SIGN AMENDMENT NO.1 TO THE AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, SCC 2.400.030 authorizes the Human Services Department to administer and coordinate County programs and projects relating to human services in accordance with County, State, and Federal laws and regulations; and

WHEREAS, SCC 2.400.030(2)(g) includes within the scope of work for the Human Services Department programs related to Energy Assistance programs; and

WHEREAS, Puget Sound Energy, has established a Low Income Program (LIP) which assists low-income households that is designed to reduce the burden of rising home energy costs by providing assistance towards a low-income household's gas bill; and

WHEREAS, Puget Sound Energy has authorized the Snohomish County Human Services Department to administer the Low Income Program in accordance with county, state, federal laws and regulations; and

WHEREAS, Council approval of a grant work plan pursuant to SCC 4.26.025 shall provide authority for the Executive to approve and execute grant documents to implement the approved grant work plan in accordance with SCC 2.10.010(28). Such council approval also provides authority for the Executive to approve and execute grant contracts and amendments for grants received in amounts up to \$50,000 or greater than the amounts stated in the grant work plan; and

WHEREAS, this Program was included in the 2023 Human Services Department Grant Work Plan approved via Motion 22-417; and

WHEREAS, the amount of the 2023-2024 Puget Sound Energy Low Income Program Agreement Amendment No. 1 is in the amount of \$519,481 and causes the total grant amount to exceed the amount included in the Grant Work Plan by more than \$50,000 thus requiring Council approval;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON MOTION, pursuant to SCC 4.26.025, the Snohomish County Council ratifies the 2023-2024 Puget Sound Energy Low Income Program Agency Agreement and authorizes the Snohomish County Executive to sign Amendment No. 1 to the agreement in the amount of \$519,481.00, for the period October 1, 2023, to September 30, 2024, and any additional amendments thereto.

PASSED this 12th day of June, 2024.

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Jared Mead
Council Chair

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Council