



Snohomish County Council

Public Hearings

Meeting Minutes

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

Wednesday, August 9, 2023

10:30 AM

Jackson Board Room
& Remote Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Council Chair Mead called the public hearing to order at 10:47 a.m.

ROLL CALL

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

ACTION ITEMS

PRESENT:

Council Chair Mead
Council Vice-Chair Nehring
Councilmember Low
Councilmember Dunn
Councilmember Peterson (*remote*)
Jim Martin, Council Staff
Elena Lao, Deputy Clerk of the Council

1. Ordinance 23-064, related to the 2023 Budget; making an emergency appropriation in Employee Benefit Fund 508 to increase expenditure authority for LEOFF 1 Retiree Medical Costs [2023-0688](#)

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing and the clerk read the ordinance title into the record.

Jim Martin, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report explaining the emergency appropriation in the Employee Benefit Fund 508 for the amount of \$150,000.

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing for public testimony. There being no persons present wishing to testify, he closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Nehring made a motion to approve Ordinance 23-064. Councilmember Low seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 23-064 carried unanimously.

PRESENT:

Council Chair Mead
Council Vice-Chair Nehring
Councilmember Low
Councilmember Dunn
Councilmember Peterson (*remote*)
Nicole Gorle, Council Staff
Elena Lao, Deputy Clerk of the Council

2. Ordinance 23-066, approving form agreement for Emergency Use Facility License [2023-0709](#)

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing and the clerk read the ordinance title into the record.

Nicole Gorle, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided an overview of the proposed form agreement for the County's Health Department to enter into multiple emergency use facility agreements that allow the use of facilities during disasters or emergencies as an emergency shelter or mass clinic site.

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing for public testimony. There being no persons present wishing to testify, he closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Nehring made a motion to approve Ordinance 23-066. Councilmember Dunn seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 23-066 carried unanimously.

PRESENT:

Council Chair Mead
Council Vice-Chair Nehring
Councilmember Low
Councilmember Dunn
Councilmember Peterson (*remote*)
Nicole Gorle, Council Staff
Elena Lao, Deputy Clerk of the Council

3. Ordinance 23-068, approving Amendment No. 14 to Consolidated Contract with Washington State Department of Health and adding authority for future amendments regarding monkeypox prevention & response [2023-0775](#)

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing and the clerk read the ordinance title into the record.

Nicole Gorle, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report explaining the scope of proposed Amendment 14 to the consolidated contract, adding an additional \$669,210 in funding from the State Department of Health.

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing for public testimony. There being no persons present wishing to testify, he closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Nehring made a motion to approve Ordinance 23-068. Councilmember Low seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 23-068 carried unanimously.

PRESENT:

Council Chair Mead
Council Vice-Chair Nehring
Councilmember Low
Councilmember Dunn
Councilmember Peterson (*remote*)
Nicole Gorle, Council Staff
Elena Lao, Deputy Clerk of the Council

4. Ordinance 23-069, approving amendment to Whatcom County Contract for Youth Cannabis & Commercial Tobacco Prevention Program [2023-0776](#)

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing and the clerk read the ordinance title into the record.

Nicole Gorle, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided an overview of the scope of proposed Amendment 3, which provides an additional \$14,928 that the Health Department will receive for the increase in personnel, advertising, travel and training, and indirect allocation costs.

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing for public testimony. There being no persons present wishing to testify, he closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Nehring made a motion to approve Ordinance 23-069. Councilmember Dunn seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 23-069 carried unanimously.

PRESENT:

Council Chair Mead
Council Vice-Chair Nehring
Councilmember Low
Councilmember Dunn
Councilmember Peterson (*remote*)
Nicole Gorle, Council Staff
Elena Lao, Deputy Clerk of the Council

5. Amended Ordinance 23-070, approving agreement with the State of Minnesota for the purchase of Naloxone [2023-0754](#)

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing and the clerk read the ordinance title into the record.

Nicole Gorle, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report explaining the proposed membership application and agreement with the Minnesota Multistate Contracting Alliance for Pharmacy (MMCAP) Infuse for the County to purchase naloxone at a cheaper price. She also provided an overview of Proposed Amendment 1, which adds purchasing authority in the amount up to \$250,000, and purchases above the threshold be approved by Council motion.

Discussion followed as Ms. Gorle clarified that there are no membership costs for the County to join the MMCAP Infuse. Council Chair Mead further explained the Proposed Amendment 1.

Council Chair Mead opened the hearing for public testimony. There being no persons present wishing to testify, he closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Nehring made a motion to approve Ordinance 23-070. Councilmember Dunn seconded the motion.

Council Vice-Chair Nehring made a motion to approve Proposed Amendment 1. Councilmember Dunn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 23-070, as amended, carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Council Chair Mead adjourned the Council for the day at 10:57 a.m.