



# **Snohomish County Council**

## **General Legislative Session**

### **Meeting Minutes**

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

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**Wednesday, May 22, 2024**

**9:00 AM**

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

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#### **PRESENT:**

Council Chair Mead  
Council Vice-Chair Nehring  
Councilmember Low  
Councilmember Dunn  
Councilmember Peterson  
Heidi Beazizo, Council Chief of Staff  
Elena Lao, Deputy 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. Pledge of Allegiance - Chair Mead**

Chair Mead led the assembly with the Pledge of the Allegiance.

#### **D. Public Comments**

There were no persons present wishing to provide public comment.

#### **E. Committee of the Whole**

**F. Resolutions**

1. Resolution 24-030, raising awareness of the importance of sun safety and recognizing May 24, 2024, as "Don't Fry Day" in Snohomish County [2024-1037](#)

Councilmember Dunn spoke in support of the Resolution.

**ACTION:** Councilmember Dunn made a motion to approve Resolution 24-030. Vice-Chair Nehring seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**G. Consent Agenda**

1. Motion 24-177, authorizing the Executive to sign Amendment No. 2 to Reciprocal Agreement with Sound Foundation for Public Health [2024-0599](#)
2. Motion 24-178, authorizing the Executive to sign the Agreement for Naloxone Distribution between Snohomish County and City of Monroe Police Department [2024-0616](#)
3. Motion 24-180, authorizing the Executive to sign Amendment No. 2 with Volunteers of America Western Washington to provide Advancing Health Literacy to Enhance Equitable Community Responses to COVID-19 grant funding [2024-0643](#)
4. Motion, 24-202, authorizing the Executive to sign Amendment No. 2 with North Counties Family Services to provide Advancing Health Literacy to Enhance Equitable Community Responses to COVID-19 grant funding [2024-0821](#)
5. Motion 24-187, authorizing the Executive to sign the agreement for transportation services with peer navigation with Ideal Option PLLC [2024-0732](#)
6. Motion 24-188, authorizing the Executive to sign the agreement for an equity assessment of the Snohomish County Health Department with the Upstream Group, LLC [2024-0739](#)
7. Motion 24-201, appointing Herbert Duber, MD, MPH, FACEP, to serve as Acting Health Officer when Snohomish County Health Officer may be absent [2024-0818](#)
8. Motion 24-209, authorizing the Executive to sign the Agreement for a Communications Campaign with Quinn Thomas, LLC [2024-0867](#)
9. Motion 24-194, authorizing the Snohomish County Executive to sign Amendment No. 1 with Gordon, Thomas Honeywell Governmental Affairs (GTH) to provide Professional State Governmental Affairs Relations, Lobbying, and Related Services for Snohomish County [2024-0183](#)
10. Motion 24-211, approving the apportionment of 2023 Public Utility District Privilege Taxes [2024-0886](#)

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| 11. | Motion 24-218, approve and authorize notice to proceed with payment for year 2024-2025 Microsoft Support Services   | <a href="#"><u>2024-0876</u></a> |
| 12. | Motion 24-219, authorizing the County Executive to sign an award letter with the Department of Ecology for new electric vehicle chargers at Snohomish County main campus parking garage | <a href="#"><u>2024-0935</u></a> |

**ACTION:** Vice-Chair Nehring made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Low seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

## H. Administrative Matters

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| 1.   | Motion 24-223, approving Administrative Matters presented at General Legislative Session on May 22, 2024  | <a href="#"><u>2024-1008</u></a> |
| a. Receiving the following report:   |   |                                  |
| 1)   | Surface Water Management 2023 Year-End Report by Council District   | <a href="#"><u>2024-0934</u></a> |
| b. Approving the following Award Recommendation:   |   |                                  |
| 1)   | Piggyback Award Recommendation for the use of a "piggyback" competitive Bid Number 20-57 issued and awarded by Whatcom County to MB Companies Inc., effective December 7, 2020                                    | <a href="#"><u>2024-0856</u></a> |
| c. Receiving and referring the following Open Space application to Planning and Development Services for recommendation: |   |                                  |
| 1)   | Open Space Farm and Agriculture Conservation Application #3669 - G.R. and Terese Slabaugh   | <a href="#"><u>2024-0955</u></a> |
| d. Setting a public hearing date on June 12, 2024, at the hour of 10:30 a.m. to consider the following:                  |   |                                  |
| 1)   | Ordinance 24-038, approving Amendment No. 20 to Consolidated Contract with Washington State Department of Health and providing authority for future amendments regarding Infectious Disease-STI Program Expansion | <a href="#"><u>2024-0782</u></a> |

**ACTION:** Vice-Chair Nehring made a motion to approve Motion 24-223. Councilmember Dunn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**I. Action on Items from Committee**

1. **Community Safety and Justice**
2. **Finance, Budget and Administration**
3. **Health and Community Services**
4. **Planning and Community Development**
5. **Public Infrastructure and Conservation**
6. **Committee of the Whole**

**J. Other Business****Walk-On Motion**

ORAL MOTION

[2024-1103](#)

Council Vice-Chair Nehring made a motion that the County Council hereby authorize and approve the Settlement Agreement and Release of All Claims relating to the lawsuit filed in Skagit County Superior Court Cause Number 23-2-00515-29 by Damon Scott as negotiated by Special Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Kristofer Bundy following consultation with the County Executive. Councilmember Peterson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**K. Public Meetings/Hearings****L. Executive Session**

Heidi Beazizo, Council Chief of Staff, stated that the Council will convene into Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss a matter relating to pending litigation for an initial ten minutes. She indicated that there is no anticipated action to follow and any necessary extensions would be announced.

At 9:04 a.m., Chair Mead recessed the Council into Executive Session.

1. Pending Litigation  
Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)  
DPA: Charlotte Comer

PRESENT:

Council Chair Mead  
Council Vice-Chair Nehring  
Councilmember Low  
Councilmember Dunn  
Councilmember Peterson  
Heidi Beazizo, Council Chief of Staff  
Nicole Gorle, Council Staff  
Cynthia Foley, Council Staff  
Jill Ford, Council Staff (*remote*)  
Ken Klein, Executive Director  
Sheila Barker, Risk Manager (*remote*)  
Bridget Casey, Chief Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney  
Steve Bladek, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney (*remote*)  
Margaret Duncan, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney  
Charlotte Comer, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

The Executive Session started at 9:04 a.m. with an initial ten minutes to 9:14 a.m.  
At 9:14 a.m., the Chair extended the Executive Session six minutes to 9:20 a.m.  
At 9:20 a.m., the Chair extended the Executive Session five minutes to 9:25 a.m.  
At 9:25 a.m., the Chair extended the Executive Session five minutes to 9:30 a.m.  
At 9:30 a.m., the Chair extended the Executive Session five minutes to 9:35 a.m.  
The Executive Session ended at 9:33 a.m.

*(There was no Council action as a result of the Executive Session.)*

**M. Adjourn**

At 9:35 a.m., Chair Mead reconvened the meeting and recessed the Council until the 10:30 a.m. Public Hearing.