



## Snohomish County Council

**Committee:** Planning & Community Development

**Analyst:** Ryan Countryman

**ECAF:** 2022-0853

**Proposal:** Proposed Motion 22-369

**Date:** September 6, 2022

### **Consideration**

Proposed Motion 22-369 would authorize the County Executive to sign an interagency agreement with the Washington State Department of Commerce (“Commerce”). This agreement relates to a grant awarded by Commerce to Snohomish County to incorporate planning for climate change into the county’s comprehensive plan.

### **Background**

A periodic update of the Snohomish County Growth Management Act Comprehensive Plan (GMACP) is due by of December 31, 2024. Work is already underway. Scoping for this project, the “2024 Update”, began in 2020 based on requirements in place at that time. Planning and Development Services (PDS) also scoped the 2024 Update with an expectation that new state requirements may be coming. The Washington State operating budget for 2021-23 added new direction to Commerce and counties. Part of that new directive was for Commerce to coordinate with jurisdictions on planning to mitigate greenhouse gas emissions and to increase resiliency to impacts from climate change. To assist with local implementation, Commerce has awarded Snohomish County a grant of \$99,168 to incorporate climate change planning into the 2024 Update.

Motion 22-369 would authorize the County Executive sign and enter into Interagency Agreement Contract Number 23-63333-124 with Commerce. PDS and its consultants will then complete a climate change vulnerability and risk assessment to include into a new Climate Change Element as part of the 2024 Update. The motion allows the Executive to amend the agreement during the period of its execution. The termination date for the agreement is June 30, 2023.

### **Current Proposal**

*Summary and Scope:* Motion 22-369 would authorize the County Executive to sign Interagency Agreement Contract Number 23-63333-124 with Commerce.

*Effective Date:* Upon execution of the contract. The contract ends June 30, 2023.

*Fiscal Implications:* No budget changes needed because PDS already has budgetary authority in Fund 002 (General Fund). Contract is to perform work related to a grant of \$99,168.

**Handling:** EXPEDITE

**Risk Management:** APPROVE

**Finance:** APPROVE

**Executive Recommendation:** APPROVE

**Request:** Consideration of Motion 22-369 during Committee of the Whole.