

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
Snohomish County, Washington

NOTICE OF ENACTMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on August 24, 2022, the Snohomish County Council approved Ordinance 22-030.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-030

APPROVING COMMON INTEREST, NON-DISCLOSURE AND JOINT DEFENSE
AGREEMENT WITH SNOHOMISH HEALTH DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Snohomish Health District was incorporated in 1959 as an independent special purpose district for public health in Snohomish County; and

WHEREAS, since its formation, Snohomish County and Snohomish Health District have worked together in a collaborative manner to address public health issues and concerns; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County, acting through the Snohomish County Council, and the Snohomish Health District, acting through its board of health, have committed to establishing a new County Department of Public Health to replace the Snohomish Health District; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County and Snohomish Health District have further committed to partnering over the remainder of the year to transition all public health services, assets, employment contracts, and related matters to Snohomish County government; and

WHEREAS, recognizing their mutuality of interest and in order to facilitate the transition from a health district to a county Department of Public Health, Snohomish County and Snohomish Health District have a need to share information, including information that is privileged from disclosure to third parties as a result of the attorney-client privilege, the attorney work product doctrine, the work product doctrine, the joint defense privilege, the common interest doctrine, and other laws regarding confidentiality, privileges or immunities; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County and Snohomish Health District wish to enter into an agreement to protect the confidential and privileged nature of any information exchanged by the parties and to further ensure that any such exchange does not diminish in any way the confidentiality of the information or constitute a waiver of any privilege or protection;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED:

Section 1. The council hereby adopts the foregoing recitals as findings of fact and conclusions as if set forth in full herein.

Section 2. The council hereby approves and authorizes the executive, or designee, to execute a common interest, non-disclosure and joint defense agreement with Snohomish Health District in substantially the same form as attached to this ordinance as Exhibit A.

Copies of the Ordinance: For copies of the ordinance and related documentation, call 425-388-3494, 1-800-562-4367 x3494, TDD 1-800-877-8339; or e-mail Contact.Council@snoco.org. The ordinance is also available on the Council's website at <https://snohomish.legistar.com/Default.aspx> (File #2022-0752).

Dated this 26th day of August, 2022.



Asst. Clerk of the Council

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