



Snohomish County Council

Legislation Text

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Executive/Council Action Form (ECAF)

ITEM TITLE:

Ordinance 22-027, relating to environmental review; increasing exemption thresholds for minor new construction and adopting new categorical exemptions per the State Environmental Policy Act to promote infill development in Urban Growth Areas; amending existing sections in Chapters 30.61 and 30.70 of Snohomish County Code

DEPARTMENT: County Council

ORIGINATOR: Ryan Countryman for CM Nehring

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION: TBD

PURPOSE: This ordinance would adopt new SEPA exemptions for development in Urban Growth Areas as authorized in 2021 by Substitute House Bill 2673.

BACKGROUND: Most new development in UGAs that is currently subject to SEPA would be exempt from SEPA, relying on existing protections in county code to provide adequate protection and mitigation. The ordinance includes some amendments to minimize secondary effects of making projects exempt where current processes use SEPA applicability as a decision point.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

EXPEND: FUND, AGY, ORG, ACTY, OBJ, AU	CURRENT YR	2ND YR	1ST 6 YRS
None			
TOTAL			

REVENUE: FUND, AGY, ORG, REV, SOURCE	CURRENT YR	2ND YR	1ST 6 YRS
None			
TOTAL			

DEPARTMENT FISCAL IMPACT NOTES: Click or tap here to enter text.

CONTRACT INFORMATION:

ORIGINAL	CONTRACT#	AMOUNT
AMENDMENT	CONTRACT#	AMOUNT

Contract Period

ORIGINAL	START	END
AMENDMENT	START	END

OTHER DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW/COMMENTS: Approved as to form by DPA Laura Kisielius 6/15/22