



# Snohomish County Council

## Legislation Text

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### Executive/Council Action Form (ECAF)

**ITEM TITLE:**

Motion 21-273, adopting the Buildable Lands Procedures Report that has been accepted and recommended by the Snohomish County Tomorrow Steering Committee for use in the development of the Buildable Lands Report for Snohomish County

**DEPARTMENT:** Planning and Development Services

**ORIGINATOR:** Stephen Toy

**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:** Approve

**PURPOSE:** To adopt the Procedures Report for Snohomish County's buildable lands analysis, pursuant to Countywide Planning Policy (CPP) GF-7 which requires development of a coordinated approach to county and city buildable lands data collection and analysis using the Snohomish County Tomorrow (SCT) process.

**BACKGROUND:** The Buildable Lands Report (BLR) is required of Snohomish County by the state Growth Management Act. Pursuant to the Countywide Planning Policies, it is developed by cities and the county using the Snohomish County Tomorrow (SCT) process, following a methodology described in an SCT-approved Buildable Lands Procedures Report. In this report, the county is designated as having the project lead role, with the cities providing key data input and review responsibilities. GF-7 and Appendix E of the CPPs also call for Snohomish County Council adoption of a buildable lands Procedures Report that has been accepted and recommended by the SCT Steering Committee. In 2017, the State Legislature enacted E2SSB 5254, which resulted in a number of changes to state requirements for buildable lands methods and procedures, and which were subsequently clarified in updated Buildable Lands Guidelines published by the State Department of Commerce in December 2018. During 2019-2020, SCT reviewed and evaluated existing methods and procedures for conducting the buildable lands analysis, and recommended updates to the Procedures Report (which had been originally approved by SCT in July 2000) that responded to the E2SSB 5354 requirements. The SCT Steering Committee approved the updates to the Procedures Report on June 24, 2020, which SCT used to prepare the 2021 Buildable Lands Report recommended to the County Council by the SCT Steering Committee on July 28, 2021.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:**

EXPEND: FUND, AGY, ORG, ACTY, OBJ, AU	CURRENT YR	2ND YR	1ST 6 YRS
N/A			
<b>TOTAL</b>			

REVENUE: FUND, AGY, ORG, REV, SOURCE	CURRENT YR	2ND YR	1ST 6 YRS
N/A			
TOTAL			

**DEPARTMENT FISCAL IMPACT NOTES:** The BLR Procedures Report is a technical report and does not set or change any policy or regulation. There are no fiscal impacts.

**CONTRACT INFORMATION:**

ORIGINAL	CONTRACT#	AMOUNT
AMENDMENT	CONTRACT#	AMOUNT

**Contract Period**

ORIGINAL	START	END
AMENDMENT	START	END

**OTHER DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW/COMMENTS:** Approved/Reviewed by Finance & Risk