



Snohomish County
Planning Commission
Planning and Development Services

3000 Rockefeller Avenue, M/S #604, Everett, WA 98201
Clerk Email: Taylor.Twiford@snoco.org

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
Snohomish County Planning Commission

May 23, 2023
5:30 PM

Join the Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85973768377>

or call (253) 215-8782
Webinar ID: 859 7376 8377

For access to supporting documents reviewed by the Planning Commission, visit the Snohomish County Planning Commission webpage at <https://snohomishcountywa.gov/164>

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

B. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

C. PUBLIC COMMENT

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- [April 25, 2023](#): Regular Meeting

E. STATUS OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND PAST RECOMMENDATIONS

- [Upcoming Planning Commission Meeting Topics](#)
- County Council Actions on Planning Commission Recommendations

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. [Commerce Climate Change Grant: Informational Briefing](#)

Eileen Canola, Senior Planner, eileen.canola@snoco.org
Jesse Langdon, Principal GIS Analyst, Jesse.Langdon@snoco.org

In 2022, Commerce awarded funding totaling \$2.2 million to 27 jurisdictions in the Central Puget Sound region to integrate climate planning in their comprehensive plan updates, as early planning. The County successfully applied for the grant and was awarded \$99,168. Deliverables include a climate change vulnerability and risk assessment and a briefing to the Planning



Snohomish County
Planning Commission
Planning and Development Services

Commission and County Council. The Department of Planning and Development Services (PDS) is the lead for managing this grant contract and ensuring all deliverables are completed by June 15, 2023.

For further information, please review the following:

- [Briefing Staff Report dated April 26, 2023](#)
- [Attachment A—Executed Grant Contract No. 23-63333-124](#)

2. Comprehensive Plan Update: Natural Environment Element: Briefing

Terri Strandberg, Principal Planner, Terri.Strandberg@snoco.org

The Planning Commission will be briefed on proposed amendments to the Natural Environment Element of the 2024 Snohomish County Comprehensive Plan. The proposed changes are intended to provide greater consistency between the county's plan and the environmental policies in PSRC's VISION 2050 regional plan and the recently adopted countywide planning policies. The proposed policy changes also reflect public input and recommendations from the best available science related to environmental protection and environmental hazards.

For further information, please review the following:

- [Briefing Staff Report dated May 5, 2023](#)
- [Attachment A - Narrative](#)
- [Attachment B – Policy Table](#)

3. Comprehensive Plan Update: Parks and Recreation Element: Briefing

Carol Ohlfs, Principal Park Planner, Carol.Ohlf@snoco.org

The Planning Commission will hold a briefing on proposed comprehensive plan amendments to the Snohomish County Park & Recreation Element (PRE) which works together with the Capital Facilities and Utilities Element to guide long term provision of facilities managed by the Snohomish County Division of Parks and Recreation. The PRE provides a demand and need analysis for parks, trails, and open space for the next 20-years, which informs Parks' six-year Capital Improvement Program. The proposed amendments provide consistency with the Growth Management Act in accordance with the Revised Code of Washington (RCW 36.70A.070), Countywide Planning Policies, Vision 2050 Multi-County Planning Policies, and the other Comprehensive Plan element updates.

For further information, please review the following:

- [Briefing Staff Report dated May 8, 2023](#)
- [Attachment A – PRE Policy Table](#)
- [Attachment B – Draft Park & Recreation](#) Element

4. By-Law Change

- [Proposed Bylaw Amendment](#)



H. Roundtable Topics (time permitting)

I. ADJOURN

PLANNING COMMISSION'S RANGE OF POSSIBLE ACTIONS:

At the conclusion of its public hearing, the County Planning Commission will consider transmitting a formal recommendation to County Council concerning adoption of the proposal. The Commission may make a recommendation to adopt or to not adopt the proposal. The Commission's recommendation may also propose amendments to the proposal. The Planning Commission is an advisory body and the final decision rests with the County Council.

PARTY OF RECORD / PUBLIC TESTIMONY:

You may become a party of record for any specific topic that comes before the Planning Commission by submitting a written request or testimony to Taylor Twiford, Planning Commission Clerk, PDS, M/S 604, 3000 Rockefeller Avenue, Everett, WA 98201 or email at Taylor.Twiford@snoco.org.

WHERE TO GET COPIES OF DOCUMENTS AND WEBSITE ACCESS:

Please check www.snohomishcountywa.gov for additional information or the Snohomish County Department of Planning and Developmental Services, Reception Desk, 2nd Floor, County Administration Building East, 3000 Rockefeller Avenue, Everett, WA 98201 or email at Taylor.Twiford@snoco.org.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT NOTICE:

Snohomish County facilities are accessible. The county strives to provide access and services to all members of the public. Sign language interpreters and communication materials in alternate form will be provided upon request of one calendar week. Contact Angela Anderson at 425-262-2206 Voice, or 425-388-3700 TDD.

Snohomish County Planning Commissioners:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <i>Merle Ash, District 1</i> | <i>Tom Campbell, District 4</i> |
| <i>Mark James, District 1</i> | <i>Neil Pedersen, District 4</i> |
| <i>Kimberly Busteded, District 2</i> | <i>Rosanna Brown, District 5</i> |
| <i>Raymond Sheldon, Jr., District 2</i> | <i>Vacant, District 5</i> |
| <i>Robert Larsen, District 3</i> | <i>Angie Sievers, Executive Appointee</i> |
| <i>Christine Eck, District 3</i> | |

Commission Staff (from Planning and Development Services (PDS) Department):

- | | |
|---|---|
| <i>Mike McCrary, Commission Secretary</i> | <i>Taylor Twiford, Commission Clerk</i> |
|---|---|