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SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
SNOHOMISH COUNTY, WASHINGTON

AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 06-008

RELATING TO APPRENTICESHIP REQUIREMENTS FOR COUNTY CONSTRUCTION
PROJECTS ESTIMATED TO COST ONE MILLION DOLLARS OR MORE;
AMENDING CHAPTER 3.05 SCC

WHEREAS, a well-trained work force is critical to the economic vitality of any community; and

WHEREAS, studies have shown that the percentage of skilled workers in the construction trades is declining due to attrition and retirement without concomitant new skilled workers joining the construction trades; and

WHEREAS, the experience of other agencies and jurisdictions in the region has shown that apprenticeship programs are effective in providing training and experience to individuals seeking to enter or advance in the workforce; and

WHEREAS, apprenticeship programs also offer the opportunity for underrepresented groups such as minorities, women, and persons with disabilities to enter the construction trades by providing opportunity and training in the trades; and

WHEREAS, the County Campus Redevelopment Initiative provided the County with an opportunity to utilize apprenticeship programs on major construction projects; and

WHEREAS, through November 2005, apprentices performed over 17% of the total labor hours on County Campus Redevelopment Initiative construction projects; and

WHEREAS, future County construction projects will provide opportunity to utilize and support State-approved apprenticeship programs, thus providing entry level opportunities for challenging skilled careers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED:

Section 1. Snohomish County Code Section 3.05.010, adopted by Ordinance No. 01-125, on December 19, 2001, is amended to read:

3.05.010 Definitions.

Where used in this chapter, unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the following terms shall have the meaning and construction set forth herein:

(1) "Apprentice" means an apprentice enrolled in a State-approved apprenticeship training program.

(2) "The campus redevelopment initiative" refers to County jail expansion in downtown Everett, a new County office building also located in downtown Everett, construction of parking facilities, and remodeling of the County courthouse for purposes of creating additional court and other justice agency facilities.

(3) ~~((2))~~ "Labor hours" refers to the total number of hours worked by workers receiving an hourly wage who are directly employed on the site of the campus redevelopment initiative. "Labor hours" shall also include hours worked by workers employed by subcontractors on the campus redevelopment initiative.

(4) "Public works" refers to all County construction projects estimated to cost one million dollars or more.

(5) "State-approved apprenticeship training program" means an apprenticeship program approved or recognized by the Washington State Apprenticeship and Training Council.

Section 2. A new section is added to Chapter 3.05 of the Snohomish County Code to read:


3.05.025 Use of apprentices required for public works.


Apprentices shall be utilized on the construction of all public works in accordance with this chapter.

PASSED this 1st day of March, 2006.

ATTEST:

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
Snohomish County, Washington



Asst. Clerk of the Council


Chairperson

- APPROVED
- EMERGENCY
- VETOED

DATE: 3/17/06

ATTEST:



County Executive

Approved as to form only:

Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

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