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SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
Snohomish County, Washington

ORDINANCE NO. 09-108

RELATING TO APPOINTMENT TO THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY
PLANNING COMMISSION AND AMENDING SCC 2.08.080

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WHEREAS, the Snohomish County Planning Commission was established pursuant to Sections 2.20 and 11.30 of the Snohomish County Charter, and is governed by chapter 2.08 SCC; and

WHEREAS, the planning commission has eleven members, one at-large member and two members from each Council district; and

WHEREAS, SCC 2.08.080 provides for the replacement of any planning commission member whose legal residence is removed from the Council district for which he or she was appointed; and

WHEREAS, the planning commission has recommended that the County Council amend SCC 2.08.080 to allow a planning commission member to complete his or her term even after no longer residing in the Council district for which he or she was appointed, provided that the member continue to reside in the County; and

WHEREAS, the County Council finds that this amendment is in the best interests of the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED:

Section 1. Snohomish County Code Section 2.08.080, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 97-069 on August 6, 1997, is amended to read:

2.08.080 Appointment to the Commission.

(1) Vacancies among the 11 members of the commission which hereafter occur shall be filled by the council, with individuals nominated pursuant to the concurrent nomination authority of the council and county executive. Except for one at-large position, each vacancy shall be filled by a resident of the council district in which the vacating member resided at the time of his or her appointment so that each district is represented by at least two members of the commission. Council nominations for other than the at-large position may be made by the council member who represents the district for which the appointment is made, and not by any other council member. Nominations for the at-large position may be made by the county executive and any council member. Council members and the executive shall endeavor to nominate individuals who have one or more of the following attributes:

(a) Architectural background;

(b) Legal background;

- 1 (c) Farming or related background;
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3 (d) Recreation or related background;
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5 (e) Financial or related background;
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7 (f) Real estate or related background;
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9 (g) Environmental or related background;
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11 (h) Construction or related background;
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13 (i) Fisheries or related background;
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15 (j) Engineering or related background;
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17 (k) Appraisal or related background;
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19 (l) Land use planning or related background;
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21 (m) Education or related background; and

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23 (n) Other job knowledge or interests that will add balance to the commission. A person
24 need not be actively engaged in activities related to these attributes at the time of nomination.
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26 (2) The council shall hold a hearing to consider the nomination(s) for each vacancy prior to
27 appointing a nominee to the commission. After such hearing the council may fill the vacancy if it
28 determines in its discretion that the appointment is consistent with the guidelines set out in
29 subsection (3) of this section, and makes written findings that the following requirements for
30 appointment to the commission are satisfied:
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32 (a) The nominee must be a legal resident of Snohomish County and, except for the at-
33 large position, of the council district for which he or she was nominated;
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35 (b) The nominee must not be a Snohomish county employee except when serving as a
36 temporary appointee pursuant to SCC.3A.08.050(2); and
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38 (c) The nominee must have sufficient time to attend all scheduled commission meetings.
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40 (3) It is desirable that the nominee (a) have knowledge of land use theories and growth
41 management legislation, (b) have a minimal potential for conflict of interest, (c) have a
42 demonstrated interest in the welfare of Snohomish county, and (d) add balance to county wide
43 representation on the commission.
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45 (4) If the council is unable to find that the requirements set out in subsection (2) of this
46 section are satisfied, or determines in its discretion that making the appointment would be
47 inconsistent with the guidelines set forth in subsection (3) of this section, the nomination or
48 nominations shall be returned to the original nominating authority for submission of a new
49 nomination.
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1 (5) No individual member of the commission shall serve more than two complete
2 consecutive terms.

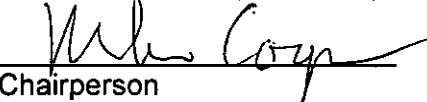
3 (6) (a) Any commissioner who has more than four unexcused absences in any calendar
4 year or whose legal residence is removed from Snohomish County (~~or from the council district~~
5 ~~for which he or she was appointed~~) shall have his or her position declared vacant by the
6 commission. The commission shall promptly notify the council and executive of a vacancy
7 declared by the commission under this subsection.

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9 (b) The council may declare a vacancy in any position held by a commissioner whose legal
10 residence is removed from the council district for which he or she was appointed, but not from
11 Snohomish County. If the council declares a vacancy, that commissioner may continue to serve
12 until the vacancy is filled pursuant to subsections (1) through (4) above, or until that
13 commissioner's term expires, whichever occurs first.

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15 Section 2. Retroactive Application. This ordinance shall be retroactive to June 1, 2009.

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17 PASSED this 21st day of October, 2009.

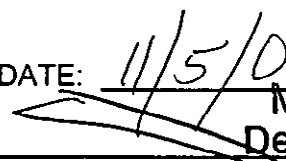
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19 SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
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23 Chairperson

24 ATTEST:

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27 Clerk of the Council

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29 APPROVED
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33 DATE: 11/5/09
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35 **MARK SOINE**
36 **Deputy Executive**
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38 County Executive

39 ATTEST:

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42 Approved as to form only:

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44 Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

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