

SCA Public Issues Committee MINUTES July 9, 2025 – 7:00 PM

Online Meeting

1. Welcome and Roll Call

Shoreline Mayor, Chris Roberts, Public Issues Committee (PIC) Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM. 23 cities were represented. (<u>Attachment A</u>).

Guests present included: Katie Halse, Bellevue Staff; Amy Tsai, Redmond Staff; Eric Perry, Renton Staff; and Tania Mondaca, King County Staff Misha Lujan, King County Executive Staff.

Chair Roberts noted that any discussion in the chat for those joining online would be maintained for public records purposes and included in the PIC minutes (<u>Attachment B</u>).

2. Public Comment

Shoreline Mayor, Chris Roberts, SCA PIC Chair asked if there was anyone in attendance who would like to provide public comment and encouraged any individuals with comment to contact sca@soundcities.org.

Hearing none, Chair Roberts closed this portion of the meeting.

3. Approval of Minutes - June 11, 2025 Meeting

Shoreline Mayor, Chris Roberts, PIC Chair asked for any questions or amendments to the minutes of the June 11, 2025 SCA PIC meeting.

Covington Councilmember, Joseph Cimaomo, Jr., PIC Vice Chair, moved, seconded by Mayor Kelli Curtis, Kirkland, to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2025 SCA PIC Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Chair's Report

Shoreline Mayor, Chris Roberts, SCA PIC Chair shared that last month marked SCA and King County Executive Braddock's second meeting. They discussed sales tax measures currently moving through the King County Council, such as the King County Transportation District Sales Tax, MIDD Renewal, and Criminal Justice Sales Tax. Roberts also shared that they discussed the upcoming Criminal Justice Roundtable and asked members to apply to be on the roundtable. He overviewed that the SCA Board will select three members to represent SCA at the roundtable. Roberts also asked members to include Executive Braddock or someone on her staff on their newsletters, as Executive Braddock wants to support cities and local government.

Roberts also shared that there is no PIC meeting scheduled for August; therefore, the next PIC meeting will be Wednesday, September 10 in person at the Mercer Island Community & Event Center.

5. Executive Director's Report

Andie Parnell, SCA Senior Policy Analyst, and Laura Belmont, SCA Policy Analyst, reported on behalf of SCA Executive Director Robert Feldstein.

Parnell shared that the application is still open to represent SCA on the King County Executive's Public Safety Roundtable, which will be held on July 31 from 12:00-2:30 PM. Elected officials from all SCA cities, and city managers from cities that contract with the county for police services, are encouraged to apply by the end of the business day on July 11. Parnell stated that SCA and the Executive's Office are aiming to represent SCA's diversity at the roundtable, including across geography, contracting of police services, and other factors.

Parnell also stated that the SCA Board of Directors will review draft dues for member cities for 2026 at their July meeting. The goal is to distribute these draft dues to cities in late July to allow cities to include them in their budget planning. Draft dues will be presented to the full membership for approval at the Annual Meeting, tentatively scheduled for December 3.

She also shared that Comcast will be sponsoring the Annual Meeting, and that SCA is also planning a fall event in partnership with Boeing at the Museum of Flight. More details on both events will be shared as the events approach. Additionally, SCA is working to coordinate a couple of smaller, regional gatherings.

Belmont stated that the initial meeting of the Steering Committee for the Regional Utilities Affordability Summit was recently held, consisting of County staff, Kirkland City Manager Kurt Triplett, and SCA. The Summit is likely to be a 1-day summit in late October or early November, with predicted follow-up such as workgroup meetings, following the format of the Transit Safety Summit. They shared that the summit is set to span a range of utilities such as solid waste, wastewater, electricity and natural gas, and drinking water, but will not include city by city surface water rates or telecoms such as cable. The County's Solid Waste and Wastewater Treatment Divisions are confirmed as participants, with invitations coming to Puget Sound Energy, Seattle City Lights, Seattle Public Utilities, and the Cascade Water Alliance. More information will be released as planning continues. Belmont encouraged members to reach out to them with any questions or concerns.

Parnell also shared that tonight is her last PIC meeting, and thanked members for contributing to her experience at SCA. She also congratulated Aj Foltz, SCA Senior Policy Analyst, on her new role.

Shoreline Mayor, Chris Roberts, SCA PIC Chair, thanked Parnell for her work with SCA.

6. Regional Board and Committee Appointments

Leah Willoughby, SCA Chief Operating Officer, presented on this item. Willoughby overviewed that the PIC Nominating Committee met on June 18, 2025, to review applications for vacancies on the Domestic Violence Initiative Regional Task Force (DVI) and the Joint Recommendations Committee (JRC). One application was received for each committee, though outstanding vacancies remain on DVI, JRC, the Aging and Disability Services Advisory Council, and the Mental Illness and Drug Dependency (MIDD) Advisory Committee. She encouraged interested members to reach out to her or any other SCA policy staff members.

Willoughby shared that the Nominating Committee recommended appointing Councilmember Alex Andrade, Burien, as Alternate to the DVI; and Councilmember Jessica Merizan, Carnation, as Member to the JRC.

Mayor Kelli Curtis, Kirkland, moved, seconded by Deputy Mayor Harry Steinmetz, Des Moines, to approve the recommendations forwarded to SCA Board for final approval at the next full board meeting.

Curtis raised that two of the four members of the PIC Nominating Committee were absent for the meeting where these recommendations were made and asked whether the bylaws have any attendance-related restrictions. Willoughby stated that the bylaws only require a majority of the Nominating Committee to be present, and that they had 50% attendance and were on a tight timeline. She shared that expected attendance was higher, but there was an excused absence. Curtis stated she wanted to ensure there was a process for handling absences moving forward, which Willoughby stated she would discuss with SCA Executive Director Robert Feldstein.

Shoreline Mayor, Chris Roberts, SCA PIC Chair, stated that the recommendations go through both PIC and the SCA Board of Directors so many eyes are on the nominations.

The motion passed unanimously.

7. King County Transportation District Sales Tax

Presentation by SCA Senior Policy Analyst Andie Parnell. Materials attached and available here.

Parnell stated that proposed language changes to the draft letter on the King County Transportation District (KCTD) Sales Tax were incorporated and included in the meeting packet. Parnell explained that she would overview the proposed tax, then PIC members will vote whether to take action, and then, if so, whether to amend the letter further.

Parnell reviewed the proposal for a 10-year, 0.1% sales and use tax for transportation improvements. The tax would be imposed countywide in addition to the sales tax currently imposed by local transportation benefit districts. It is estimated the tax would generate \$95 million in year-one revenue. The revenue would be split evenly among roads, for high-priority road and bridge projects, and metro, for safety and security upgrades for operators and riders. The KCTD Board was briefed on the tax on June 2, and October 18 is the deadline for the

Washington State Department of Revenue to be notified of sales tax approval to begin collections on January 1, 2026.

Parnell reviewed that the KCTD is an independent government; the tax does not require review by the Executive, regional committees, local jurisdictions, or other governing bodies beyond the KCTD Board.

Parnell then overviewed the process SCA has undertaken to draft a letter on the tax. Four weeks prior to this PIC meeting, SCA created the first draft of the letter which was then shared with cities' intergovernmental relations staff members who provided feedback. Two weeks prior to this PIC meeting, a second draft was shared with PIC members and the SCA Board. Last week, the PIC packet (linked here) went out with the third draft of the letter and was distributed to PIC members, intergovernmental relations staff, and other interested parties. This draft includes proposed changes that were received between the release of the PIC Preview and the PIC packet. The SCA Board also received the PIC packet. Parnell explained that at today's PIC meeting, members may adopt additional amendments or vote to approve the draft as-written in the PIC packet. In either case, members must vote to take emergency action. If action is taken, the letter would be reviewed by the SCA Board at their meeting next week.

Parnell then overviewed the draft letter included in the PIC packet. The sentiment expressed in the letter follows the sentiment shared by members during the June PIC discussion: that now is not the right time for a new sales tax, and regional collaboration is critical before choosing a new transportation revenue option. SCA staff received amendments from three cities: Yarrow Point, Des Moines, and Renton. Yarrow Point presented technical amendments and changes to language to improve flow. Des Moines had some recommendations for tightening the language of the letter and revisions to improve clarity. Renton suggested the addition of two sentences to the top of the second page of the letter. All of these changes are included in the redlined version of the letter included in the PIC packet.

Parnell then overviewed the voting procedure. The first step will be to vote to declare the issue an emergency. This requires an affirmative vote of 85% of the members present. If the emergency action is declared, additional amendments to those already included in the version of the letter provided in the meeting materials may be proposed, and a vote or votes would be taken on the new amendments, which would require a simple majority. Once all amendments have been adopted, a final vote will be taken to recommend to the SCA Board approval of the letter. This vote requires a two-thirds majority of those present.

Mayor Kelli Curtis, Kirkland moved, seconded by Councilmember Melissa Stuart, Redmond, to declare consideration of a position on the King County Transportation District Sales Tax to be an emergency, requiring immediate action. The motion passed unanimously.

Deputy Mayor Harry Steinmetz, Des Moines, moved, seconded by Mayor Armondo Pavone, Renton, to approve the letter as provided in the July 9, 2025 PIC meeting materials (linked here). After further discussion and an amendment, the motion passed unanimously.

Prior to the vote, Steinmetz stated that the amendments already incorporated into the version included in the meeting materials do not significantly alter the intent of the letter but instead refine the language and add valuable elements. He expressed appreciation for the points added at the top of the second page and stated that the edits are thoughtful and worthy of consideration.

Pavone expressed that Renton's amendment to the letter, as reflected in the version included in the meeting materials linked earlier, addresses the issue of funding for local jurisdictions. He stated that County-proposed measures such as this can limit flexibility for local action; he hopes that through SCA, jurisdictions will find opportunities to advance the measures they need.

Prior to the vote, Parnell added that an additional amendment from Redmond was received and invited Stuart to speak on it.

Stuart explained that the amendment intends to add a brief statement at the beginning of the letter, acknowledging that the tax is currently under consideration but has not yet been acted upon.

Councilmember Melissa Stuart, Redmond, moved, seconded by Mayor Nigel Herbig, Kenmore, to amend the letter by adding the following language, as submitted by Redmond:

"...writing regarding the proposed 0.1% sales tax <u>under consideration</u> by the King County Transportation District."

The motion to approve Redmond's amendment to the letter passed 21-2-0.

Discussion was held prior to the vote on Stuart's amendment.

Pavone stated that he had no issue with Redmond's amendment but felt that it was redundant. Mayor Katy Kinney-Harris, Yarrow Point, agreed with Pavone's assessment. Stuart responded that she respected those perspectives.

A vote was then held to approve the letter as amended.

8. New Indigent Defense Caseload Standards

Presentation by SCA Senior Policy Analyst Andie Parnell. Materials attached and available here.

Parnell overviewed the current indigent defense caseload standards, which were adopted by the State Supreme Court in 2012. These standards cap public defenders at 150 felonies per attorney per year, 300 misdemeanor cases per attorney per year OR 400 misdemeanor cases per attorney per year in jurisdictions that have not adopted a case weighting system, and 250 juvenile offender cases per attorney per year.

In March 2024, the Washington State Bar Association submitted proposed indigent defense caseload standards for their review. These standards would require a reduction in misdemeanor cases by July 2025 to a limit of 280 case credits, followed by subsequent reductions in July 2026 and July 2027, ultimately being reduced to a limit of 120 case credits. For felony cases, annual reductions between July 2025 and July 2027 were similarly proposed until ultimately reaching a reduced limit of 47 case credits. Misdemeanors are proposed to be split into "high" and "low categories". Drug offenses, sex offenses, domestic violence offenses, and driving under the influence offenses would be categorized as "high" and weighted at 1.5 credits. All other offenses would be categorized as "low" and weighted at 1.0 credits.

The Washington State Supreme Court approved different indigent defense standards in June 2025. While the credit limits of 120 case credits for misdemeanors and 47 case credits for felonies are still required to be met, the approach would be phased in over 10 years until the required limits are ultimately hit in 2036. The caseload reductions will therefore be phased in at a rate of at least 10% each year.

Parnell then explained that the policy has the potential to triple the number of public defenders needed in some jurisdictions. She stated that the standards do not address the underlying concerns about recruitment for new public defenders, and that the legislature has not provided any new revenue-generating tools for cities.

She shared that the City of Kent has sent a letter to the Washington State Supreme Court emphasizing the financial harm of the adopted standards on cities and requesting a delay in implementing the public defense standards until a Washington-specific study is conducted, in order to adequately tailor the standards to Washington's needs. This is because the changes were made based on a national study that had no Washington representation.

Parnell also shared that the Washington State Association of Counties has urgently called upon the Legislature and Governor Ferguson to act immediately and decisively by ensuring full funding of public defense. She then opened the floor for discussion, asking members how their cities have begun to prepare for these changes and whether PIC wants to consider any collective action in response to these changes.

Deputy Mayor Harry Steinmetz, Des Moines, stated that he has worked as a prosecutor, private criminal attorney, judge, and now as a public defender. He shared he felt the standards are quite reasonable and reflect what is necessary to provide adequate criminal defense. Steinmetz shared that he got a job with a local public defender agency in Washington after working in California and remembered thinking that it would be difficult to provide adequate representation given the caseloads. He also shared that Des Moines is concerned about this being an unfunded mandate and is also worried about situations where the court does legislation. Steinmetz stated that the standards are good, and the 10-year timeline is reasonable, but that this represents a huge burden on cities. He shared that PIC should take collective action and that it should be part of SCA's legislative agenda for these standards to be funded before being fully implemented.

Councilmember Jared Nieuwenhuis, Bellevue, shared that Bellevue is expecting a substantial budgetary impact as they prepare to comply with these standards. He stated that Bellevue has a large caseload that is handled by a team of only four members, and that therefore the case limits would be reached very early in the phase-in process. Nieuwenhuis stated that this will leave Bellevue with limited options and guidance on how to maintain the standards. He shared that while the Court showed responsiveness by adjusting implementation timeline, he is unsure whether they would be responsive again. Nieuwenhuis stated he thinks SCA should advocate for increased funding and support for cities to implement these standards and this implementation should be delayed so cities can get funding and guidance on managing overload cases. He shared pushing back strongly as an organization would be ideal given the impact that this will cause collective municipalities.

Mayor Nigel Herbig, Kenmore, stated that cities need to rely on the state to incentivize public defenders. He shared that recruiting for public defenders is currently a nightmare given the available pay. Herbig stated that public defenders do not currently exist, will not appear out of nowhere, and will not leave the private sector for public defense, and that he therefore hopes the state would find a way to incentivize graduates from the University of Washington to jump into this field since more people are needed to meet these numbers.

Shoreline Mayor Chris Roberts, SCA PIC Chair, stated that he is hearing most of these concerns as asks to the state legislature, and that this is an unfunded mandate and should be added to SCA's legislative agenda. He asked members to confirm this is correct, and to confirm that it sounds like there is no appetite to send a letter to the Washington State Supreme Court.

Councilmember Melissa Stuart, Redmond, affirmed that this is also what she heard. She stated that she appreciates Steinmetz's comments that these standards are reasonable to carry out justice, but that achieving these standards is difficult. Stuart shared Redmond is supportive of adding this to SCA's legislative agenda and giving the item air time in the upcoming session. She stated that a lot of funding has been requested but not a lot will be available. She stated she worries that if SCA approaches the legislature too quickly, they may point to the public safety sales tax as a tool to use for this item.

Nieuwenhuis stated that a letter may not be needed, but immediate and strong action is. He expressed a desire to make this part of SCA's legislative agenda and to work with the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) and others to take action.

Covington Councilmember, Joseph Cimaomo, Jr., PIC Vice Chair, stated that this item is needed on cities' and SCA's legislative agendas. He shared that Covington also prosecutes often, and many cases sent through as misdemeanors require a public defender. Therefore, he shared that Covington will reach the limit by at least the mid-point of the year. Cimaomo expressed that cities should find common language to put on their own legislative agendas. He agreed that the legislature gave cities a funding tool, but that utilization of that tool will be a couple of years down the road.

Roberts asked if Parnell has collected letters on this topic from cities. Parnell asked cities to send in their letters, as she has only heard from Kent and the Washington State Association of Counties. Roberts shared that Shoreline also sent a letter (linked here).

Deputy Mayor Sue-Ann Hohimer, Normandy Park, agreed that this item should be added to SCA's legislative agenda, but thinks sending a letter is a good idea given that PIC members are the representatives closest to the people impacted. She shared that she felt the state legislature should get used to hearing from cities when there are unfunded mandates, and that it would be great for SCA to be an example of coming together with a collective voice to say that we can do better. Hohimer stated that the standards have great intentions, as people want great legal representation and justice requires time and diligence, but that we need ot ensure we have enough people who want these jobs.

Roberts asked Hohimer if she felt a letter should be addressed to the Washington State Supreme Court or the Washington State Legislature. Hohimer replied that the letter would go to the Washington State Supreme Court, though SCA would also notify State Legislators.

Councilmember Mark Joselyn, North Bend, stated he supported the consensus of placing this on SCA's legislative agenda. He expressed that he wanted to push back on the notion that this is an unfunded mandate, as this represents a problem many are looking for solutions. Joselyn shared Steinmetz's comments hit home. He stated that his sense is SCA and PIC should engage in pressuring the legislature to come up with funds to help cities pay for necessary legal assistance.

Roberts shared Shoreline's letter in the chat, and summarized that they are not asking for the standards to be changed. Rather, they are requesting a 3-year delay in the first set of implementation. Roberts shared he agrees with Steinmetz and others that he agrees with what the Court is doing, but time is needed to work on implementation. He shared that he is unsure whether Shoreline would be supportive of a letter asking for the standards to be revisited or changed.

Parnell clarified that SCA staff would discuss this matter with the SCA Board of Directors, but asked whether PIC members were interested in staff drafting a letter and continuing this conversation.

Steinmetz shared that he thinks this is a great idea, and that he thinks the letter should be addressed jointly to the State Supreme Court and State Legislature, since funding comes from the Legislature.

Roberts summarized that he heard common concerns around the financial impact. Roberts reflected that he heard some concerns with the standards themselves, but he reiterated that Shoreline would be wary of going that direction. Roberts confirmed that there is support for writing something but asked PIC members if there was direction to SCA staff on what the letter should say beyond financial impact.

Nieuwenhuis seconded Steinmetz's comments as good starting points.

Councilmember Cara Christensen, Snoqualmie, stated she agrees with Steinmetz and focusing the letter on financial concerns. She shared that residents deserve proper representation.

Councilmember Bill Boyce, Kent, stated he also supports Steinmetz's comments. He shared that this will have a huge impact in Kent and that something needs to be put together.

Roberts asked whether SCA staff has enough to put together a letter. He also asked Parnell if she has a sense of when a letter should be released and whether PIC can follow its normal process to take action in October or whether PIC should take emergency action in September. Parnell replied that she felt replying earlier is better as the standards go in effect in January.

Boyce shared that the City of Kent is very passionate about this topic and is happy to put something together for SCA staff to build on.

Roberts shared that Shoreline's letter is based on Kent's letter and asked Boyce and other members who have sent letters to send them to SCA staff. Roberts summarized that he will defer to SCA Executive Director Robert Feldstein, but that he will plan to consider emergency action in September.

Hohimer asked if there were any programs similar to Teach for America, where individuals can serve as public defenders to pay for their schooling. She stated that it feels like we need a creative solution to get people on the path of being lawyers by spending time first as public defenders, and that she hopes SCA's letter addresses issues in recruiting public defenders.

Steinmetz shared that most law schools do have a loan forgiveness program that addresses public interest law, but that whether public defenders are included in that umbrella varies depending on the law school. He also stated that these programs are not well-funded, so there is not a large amount of loan forgiveness. Steinmetz also stated he has heard many programs are a substantial commitment, as many look for five to ten years of work as a public defender in order for participants to receive loan forgiveness.

Nieuwenhuis suggested SCA partner with AWC on this matter, as a unified strong voice may help raise serious consideration.

Roberts shared that he knows AWC has been active on this issue.

9. Updates/Informational Items

SCA Senior Policy Analysts Andie Parnell and Aj Foltz presented on this standing agenda item to offer an opportunity for questions from PIC members.

Parnell shared that this agenda item is an umbrella of various items from previous PIC conversations and welcomed feedback on whether this agenda item is helpful or confusing.

Parnell stated that earlier today, the King County Council Budget and Fiscal Management (BFM) Committee approved the Executive's proposed 0.1% criminal justice sales tax. Overall, BFM was supportive of the sales tax because it continues funding public safety services and wraparound human services related to criminal justice and prevents countywide cuts. The Association of Washington Cities will be holding a webinar on Tuesday, July 29 with the Criminal Justice Training Commission to discuss the two new funding measures from HB 2015. This webinar is for mayors, councilmembers, police chiefs, city administrators/managers, finance staff, and city clerks.

Foltz shared that she and SCA Executive Director Robert Feldstein compiled a snapshot of the 2025 county tax proposals and levies. The memo is included in the PIC packet and shows the exact changing impact on county taxpayers.

Parnell shared that at June's PIC meeting, PIC members expressed a desire for SCA to take more proactive action on items before issues reach regional committees or other bodies. In most cases, discussion will inform SCA caucuses on how to navigate/address the issue in their regional committees. A memo is included in the PIC packet that details examples of when issues would come to PIC. Parnell asked members to keep these items in mind during regional committee discussions.

Parnell also shared that the SCA Board of Directors has approved updated protocols for enforcing SCA's attendance policies for SCA appointees on regional boards and committees. SCA staff will begin reaching out to appointees after each unexcused absence, then follow the protocols outlined in the memo included in the PIC packet to address further meeting absences. She stated that once an appointee has three consecutive unexcused absences or has missed 50% of planned meetings, the SCA Board will be informed, and the appointee may be subject to removal. SCA staff will provide slightly different protocols for the SCA Board and PIC members and alternates after further discussion with the Board.

Foltz shared that the first newsletter was launched yesterday afternoon. She stated that she has received many good reviews so far as well as requests to be added to the distribution list. Foltz asked for members with staff who should be added to the distribution list to email her with their information. She also encouraged feedback on content and any ideas members may have. Foltz highlighted that there is a City Wins section with a corresponding a form to fill out to be featured in that section moving forward. The newsletter will be released on the first Monday of each month.

Foltz also shared that the KC Library System has reached out to present at September PIC and is seeking input early from SCA cities.

Councilmember Melissa Stuart, Redmond, recommended that for the Regional Board and Committee Updates, SCA staff should reach out to Caucus Chairs to discuss respective committee work plans to determine which items should be discussed at PIC meetings.

10. For the Good of the Order

There were no items for the good of the order.

Shoreline Mayor, Chris Roberts, SCA PIC Chair, thanked Andie Parnell, SCA Senior Policy Analyst, for her work, and stated that he looked forward to seeing members in person at the September PIC meeting.

11. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm.

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City	Representative	Alternate
Algona	Troy Linnell	David White
Auburn	Nancy Backus	Tracy Taylor
Beaux Arts Village	Aletha Howes	
Bellevue	Jared Nieuwenhuis	Dave Hamilton
Black Diamond	Tamie Deady	
Bothell	Carston Curd	Rami Al-Kabra
Burien	Kevin Schilling	
Carnation	Jim Ribail	
Clyde Hill	Steve Friedman	
Covington	Joseph Cimaomo, Jr.	Kristina Soltys
Des Moines	Harry Steinmetz	Yoshiko Grace Matsui
Duvall	Ronn Mercer	Mike Supple
Enumclaw	Chance LaFleur	Corrie Koopman-Frazier
Federal Way	Susan Honda	Lydia Assefa-Dawson
Hunts Point	Joseph Sabey	
Issaquah	Tola Marts	Kelly Jiang
Kenmore	Nigel Herbig	Melanie O'Cain
Kent	Bill Boyce	Toni Troutner
Kirkland	Kelli Curtis	John Tymczyszyn
Lake Forest Park	Lorri Bodi	Tracy Furutani
Maple Valley	Syd Dawson	Dana Parnello
Medina	Michael Luis	
Mercer Island	Dave Rosenbaum	Ted Weinberg
Milton	Tim Ceder	Shanna Styron Sherrell
Newcastle	Paul Charbonneau	Ariana Sherlock
Normandy Park	Sue-Ann Hohimer	Jack Lamanna
North Bend	Errol Tremolada	Mark Joselyn
Pacific	Kerry Garberding	Vic Kave
Redmond	Melissa Stuart	Osman Salahuddin
Renton	Ruth Pérez	Armondo Pavone
Sammamish	Sid Gupta	Amy Lam
SeaTac	Jake Simpson	Iris Guzmán
Shoreline	Chris Roberts	John Ramsdell
Skykomish	Henry Sladek	
Snoqualmie	Cara Christensen	Louis Washington
Tukwila	Jovita McConnell	Hannah Hedrick
Woodinville	David Edwards	James Randolph
Yarrow Point	Katy Kinney Harris	

Cities present at the meeting are **bolded**. Voting representatives present are highlighted.

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Attachment B: Chat Log

19:08:14 From Andie Parnell, SCA to Everyone:

Apply for the public safety roundtable here:

https://leahsca.wufoo.com/forms/z14fspi006aeerd/

19:12:49 From Susan Honda, Federal Way to Hosts and panelists:

Thank you Annie.

19:41:29 From Aj Foltz, SCA (she/her) to Hosts and panelists:

Discussion question #1:

How have cities begun to prepare for these changes – in their budget, in the structure or recruiting of public defense, others?

19:41:57 From Aj Foltz, SCA (she/her) to Hosts and panelists:

Discussion question #2:

Does the PIC want to consider any collective action in response to these proposed changes, for example, an SCA letter to the Supreme Court and/or incorporating this as part of a state legislative agenda?

19:54:06 From Chris Roberts, Shoreline to Hosts and panelists:

Shoreline letter:

https://cosweb.shorelinewa.gov/uploads/attachments/cmo/councilupdatesattachements/2025/20250 627/publicdefense.pdf

20:08:55 From Aj Foltz, SCA (she/her) to Hosts and panelists:

https://wacities.org/events-education/upcoming-awc-events/events-details?ID=2799 20:13:57 From Andie Parnell, SCA to Everyone:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf5KoMLy1J4qyGy5PV67kFcmDKnEnSu7S5P4q wyTur0b8g3Bw/viewform?usp=send_form