



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, May 04, 2026, at 5:00 PM
Snoqualmie City Hall, 38624 SE River Street & Zoom

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chair: Rob Wotton

Councilmembers: Catherine Cotton and Bryan Holloway

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CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

AGENDA APPROVAL

PUBLIC COMMENTS (online public comments will not be taken).

MINUTES

1. Approval of the minutes dated April 6, 2026.
2. Approval of the minutes dated April 20, 2026.

AGENDA BILLS

DISCUSSION

3. **Presentation:** Ordinance on Animal Cruelty Code.
4. **Presentation:** Fire Department 1st Quarter Accreditation Report.
5. **Presentation:** Issaquah Jail Rate Increase.
6. **Discussion:** Traffic Camera Update.
7. **Discussion:** Fireworks Stand.
8. Update: School Zone Enforcement.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION

ADJOURNMENT



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

April 6, 2026

This meeting was conducted in person at Snoqualmie City Hall and remotely using Zoom.

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL – Councilmember Holloway called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

Committee Members: Councilmembers Catherine Cotton and Bryan Holloway were present.

Absent: Chair Wotton’s absence was excused.

Executive: Mayor James Mayhew was present.

City Staff:

Fire Chief Mike Bailey, IT Systems Specialist Andrew Jongekryg, Temporary Executive Assistant Rebecca Solem, and Interim Police Captain Dan Moute.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

The agenda was approved as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

MINUTES:

1. The minutes dated March 16, 2026, were approved as presented.

AGENDA BILL:

No agenda bills were presented.

DISCUSSION:

2. Flood Event Review Update.

Chief Bailey provided an update on the City’s response to the December 10, 2025, flood and highlighted transportation challenges, multi-agency coordination, and presented the Council with key themes from the March 4, 2026, Town Hall meeting that included communication, highway closures, logistics, infrastructure resilience, and community preparedness. Committee discussion followed.

3. Discussion of the King County EMS BLS Contract -

The Committee reviewed preliminary information from Chief Bailey on the upcoming agenda bill for the 2026–2031 King County EMS BLS contract, including levy funding levels, projected 2026 allocations, and key funding categories such as BLS salary support, core equipment, MIH, and training. Committee discussion followed.

4. Summary of current activity around enforcement around school zones –

The Committee received an update on current school-zone enforcement activity. Enforcement was focused on southbound traffic, with northbound enforcement expected to increase as staffing allows. Committee discussion followed.

5. **Summary of recent covered load enforcement –**

The Committee discussed recent enforcement activity related to unsecured loads and stated that officers have increased enforcement covering both school zones and covered-load violations.

6. **Flashing School Zone Light Update -**

Interim Police Captain Moute reported that the northbound school zone flashing reader board that was previously damaged in a snowstorm had been repaired and is now operational.

FUTURE DISCUSSION ITEMS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 5:38 pm.

*Minutes prepared by Rebecca Solem, Temp Executive Assistant.
Recorded meeting audio is available on the city website after the meeting.
Minutes approved at the _____ Public Safety Committee Meeting.*

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PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2026, AT 5:00 PM
SNOQUALMIE CITY HALL, 38624 SE RIVER STREET & ZOOM

This meeting was conducted in person at Snoqualmie City Hall and remotely using Zoom.

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL.

Chair Wotton called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm

Committee Members: Councilmembers Rob Wotton, Bryan Holloway, and Catherine Cotton were present.

Executive: Mayor James Mayhew was also present.

City Staff: Interim Police Chief Gary Horejsi, Fire Chief Mike Bailey, Executive Assistant Rebecca Solem, and IT Support Specialist Andrew Jongekryg.

AGENDA APPROVAL.

Motion: Councilmember Holloway made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Councilmember Cotton.

Motion passed: 3-0

PUBLIC COMMENTS.

There were no public comments.

MINUTES.

There were no minutes provided for approval.

AGENDA BILLS

1. AB24-011: King County Emergency Medical Services Basic Life Services Contract

Chief Bailey provided an overview of the King County EMS BLS Contract and the upcoming five-year contract cycle and noted that the contract includes annual inflationary adjustments and authorizes up to \$300,000 in funding, with historical usage typically in the \$230,000–\$240,000 range. Committee discussion followed.

Action: The Committee approved moving the item forward as a consent agenda item for the April 27th, 2026, Council Meeting.

DISCUSSION

2. Update on School Safety Enforcement

Chief Horejsi provided updated data on school traffic enforcement and stated that between January 1 and April 6, 2026 (a three-month period), officers conducted 228 traffic stops while still supporting both cities. Between April 1 and April 18 (a three-week period), officers conducted 289 traffic stops. A future report will reflect activity from a full-time officer dedicated to traffic stops as an additional data point. Committee discussion followed.

3. Update on RCW Regarding Covered Loads.

Chief Horejsi presented on enforcement efforts of covered loads.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION.

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:36 pm.

Minutes taken by Rebecca Solem, Temp Executive Assistant.

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Minutes approved at the [Date] Public Safety Committee Meeting

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Repeal of SMC 9.20

**Dena Burke
City Attorney**



Background

- Staff undertaking gradual modernization of SMC
- Animal Control is provided under contract by King County Animal Control



Current Code

Item 3.

Chapter 9.20 Cruelty to Animals

9.20.010 Act designated – Penalty.

Whoever in any manner is guilty of cruelty to any dumb animal, or is guilty of turning out and abandoning any old, decrepit or motherless animal upon the public streets, or alleys of the city is guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding \$25.00. (Ord. 9 § 14, 1903).



Current Code

Item 3.

Chapter 6.04

6.04.010 County provisions adopted by reference.

The provisions of Title 11, King County Code, Animal Control, as they now exist, or may hereafter exist, or may hereafter be amended, are adopted by reference, as specifically supplemented herein; and further provided, that in the event of any conflict between KCC Title 11 herein adopted by reference and this chapter, the provisions of this chapter shall control.

(Ord. 821 § 1, 1998; Ord. 570 § 1, 1986).

Options



- King County contract requires City adopt similar code provisions as King County Code Title 11 Animal Control for effective enforcement, which the City did in 1986 by adopting SMC 6.04
 - SMC 9.20 does not reflect modern legal standards or language and is unnecessary due to SMC 6.04 adopting King County Code Title 11
1. Repeal SMC 9.20
 2. Do Nothing
 3. Draft, Adopt, and Maintain Snoqualmie Specific Animal Code

CITY OF SNOQUALMIE
FIRE DEPARTMENT

QUARTERLY REPORT

PERFORMANCE FROM
JAN - MAR 2026

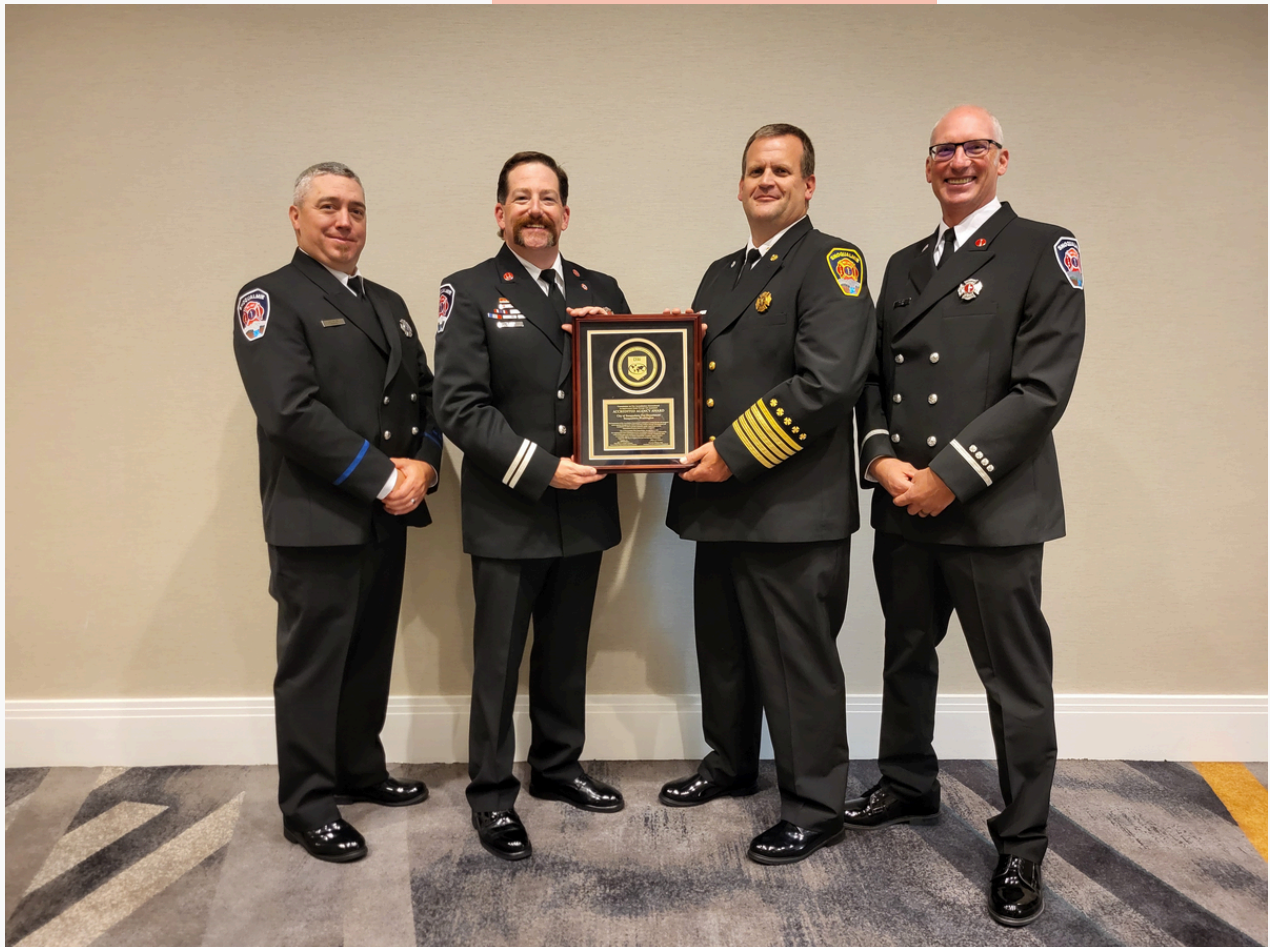


ABOUT

THE SNOQUALMIE FIRE DEPARTMENT IS A DEDICATED GROUP OF COMMUNITY SERVANTS COMMITTED TO CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT AND EXCELLENCE.

The Snoqualmie Fire Department serves the residents and visitors to the City of Snoqualmie and surrounding area. The fire department responded to 1,629 incidents in 2025 from its centrally located fire station. The department is staffed with sixteen career firefighter/EMTs and twelve volunteer EMS responders.

The Department is one of seven accredited fire departments in the State of Washington, and the only volunteer / career fire department. Across the United States there are 340 accredited agencies that cover 14% of the US population. Only 1% of the Nation's fire departments are accredited. The Snoqualmie Fire Department received its second accreditation in 2024, valid for five years until 2029.



GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

JAN - MAR 2026

This section tracks the progress on the department's goals and objectives, and is derived from the department's strategic plan and accreditation recommendations. These goals and objectives are part of a living document, but designed to be accomplished in a strategic and efficient manner.

Not Started	In Progress	On Hold	Completed
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ACCREDITATION RECOMMENDATIONS		
	Recommendations	Status
	#1 Agency work with city admin to develop a formalized process for recognizing and reacting to changes in legal requirements of local, state, and federal governments. (CC 1A.2)	
	#2 Agency work with city administration to update the Snoqualmie Municipal Code, Chapter 2.32. (1B.2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> started discussion with Legal regarding process. Goal set to complete end of 3rd qtr 2026
	#3 The agency should continually monitor call volume and response times within its identified planning and risk analysis zones, and reconfigure the zones as needed to optimize emergency incident response performance. (CC 2A.4)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> researched and selected product for data analysis and response statistics Denied funding in 2025. Will re-submit in 2026
	#4 The agency should document and adopt a formal methodology for identifying, accessing, categorizing and classifying all risk throughout the community. (CC 2B.1)	

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

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	Accreditation Recommendations	Status
	#5 The agency should develop an outlier policy for data analysis. (CC 2C.2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Created outlier policy 4th qtr 2024
	#6 It is recommended that the agency continually assess its operating environment to determine if existing resources can continue to provide adequate response performance with its workload expectations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> researched and selected product for data analysis and response statistics Denied funding in 2025. Will re-submit in 2026
	#7 As part of its SOC continuous improvement plan, the agency should conduct a reliability study to evaluate unit availability and any impacts mutual aid responses may have on response times within Snoqualmie. (CC 2D.7)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Researched and found a software product to provide continuous monitoring and reports for accreditation data to include unit reliability and mutual aid. Paused due to budget constraints. Will revisit in fall 2025 Funding denied in 2025. Will re-submit in 2026
	#8 The agency should conduct the process to develop a strategic plan that incorporates current organizational initiatives, goals and objectives, includes internal and external stakeholder feedback, and is submitted to the agency having jurisdiction. (CC 3A.1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strategic Plan was completed in Nov of 2024 and adopted by City Council January 2025

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

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	Accreditation Recommendations	Status
	#9 The agency should identify funding requirements as part of its strategic plan development and update for inclusion in the 2025-2026 budget submission, to support achievement of organizational goals and objectives. (CC 4A.7)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unable to complete for 2025-2026 budget due to timing of strategic plan completion • Will utilize for the future budget processes
	#10 The agency will continue to monitor growth and develop a formal wildland urban interface program. (CC 5K.1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchased used brush truck • Appointed FF Duddles as wildland SME
	#11 The agency policies related to human resource administrative policies and practices are reviewed and updated annually. (7A.3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently in process by HR • Policies completed 10/25

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

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STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS AND OBJECTIVES		
	Strategic Plan Goal 1	Status
	1.1 Evaluate all positions to determine need for realignment or reorganization.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> assigned lead
	1.2 Incentivizing the acting officer program to encourage participation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10% complete Initial meeting scheduled and talking points being worked on.
	1.3 Develop and adopt a professional development plan for all staff, to include succession planning.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 50% complete New curriculum ready to deliver beginning May 2026
	1.4 With city admin/HR, conduct comprehensive compensation study for all positions to include wages, benefits, and working conditions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> assigned lead
	1.5 Develop a process for recognition of major milestones of staff (end of probation, promotions, educational achievements, banquet).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> assigned lead

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

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	Strategic Plan Goal 2	Status
	2.1 Analyze current wildland program to determine it meets the needs of the city and region.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently reviewing procedures and policy for utilizing BR155
	2.2 Use analysis to determine future needs and budget requirements of wildland program.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • assigned lead
	2.3 Build out city and regional response plans based on new equipment obtained to mitigate wildland risk in the community.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • purchased used brush truck • Beginning to work on equipping it to make it ready for response in the spring of 2026
	2.4 Provide appropriate training and knowledge on new wildland resources and programs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • assigned lead
	2.5 Establish a wildland/urban interface public education program.	
	2.6 Evaluate if the expansion of the wildland program, resources, and public education met the original needs identified.	

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

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	Strategic Plan Goal 3	Status
	3.1 Implement a system to determine and define the resource needs of the department.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • assigned lead
	3.2 Form committees to research, develop ideas, and design targeted acquisitions.	
	3.3 Provide appropriate training and knowledge on new resources.	
	3.4 Evaluate the physical resource process and if resources met original needs identified through needs assessment.	

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

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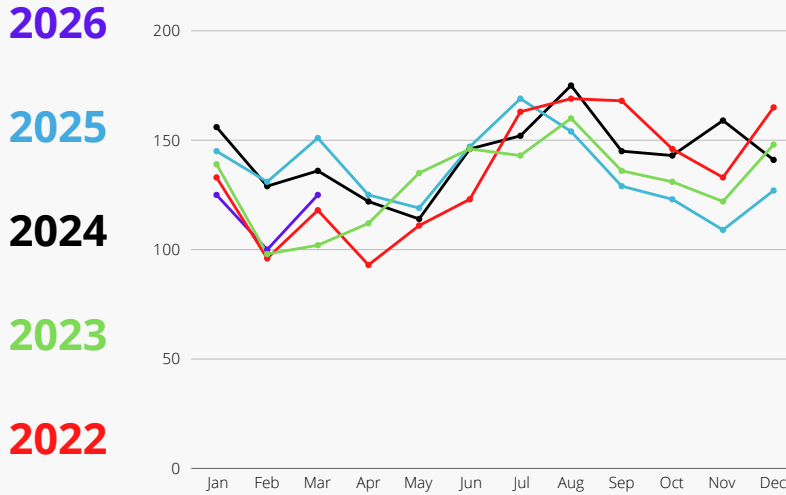
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	Strategic Plan Goal 4	Status
	4.1 Enhance communication with the community to improve public education and interactions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assigned new Pub Ed Lead• Working with city Communication Manager to analyze current programs and outreach.
	4.2 Educate the city council on fire department operations and create buy-in to critical future needs and goals.	
	4.3 Strengthen connections with City of Snoqualmie departments through ongoing communications and joint operations.	
	4.4 Work with partner fire departments to leverage economies of scale, reducing duplication of effort and improving interagency cooperation.	

INCIDENTS

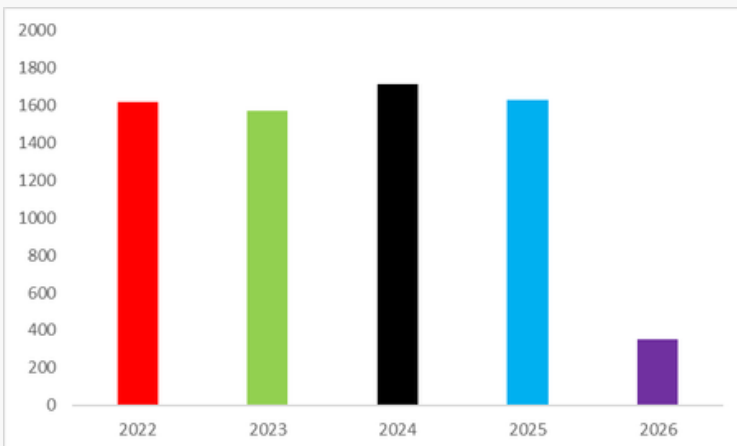
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Incidents Per Month



Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2022	133	96	118	93	111	123	163	169	168	146	133	165
2023	139	98	102	112	135	146	143	160	136	131	120	165
2024	158	131	135	122	114	140	152	175	145	143	159	141
2025	145	131	151	125	119	147	169	154	129	123	109	127
2026	125	100	125									

Incidents Per Year



2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
1611	1572	1715	1629	350

INCIDENTS

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Fire=Inside (structure)/Outside (Woodland)/Transportation/Other

Medical= Injury(Trauma)/Illness/Other

Hazardous Situation = Non Chemical/Hazardous Materials/Investigation

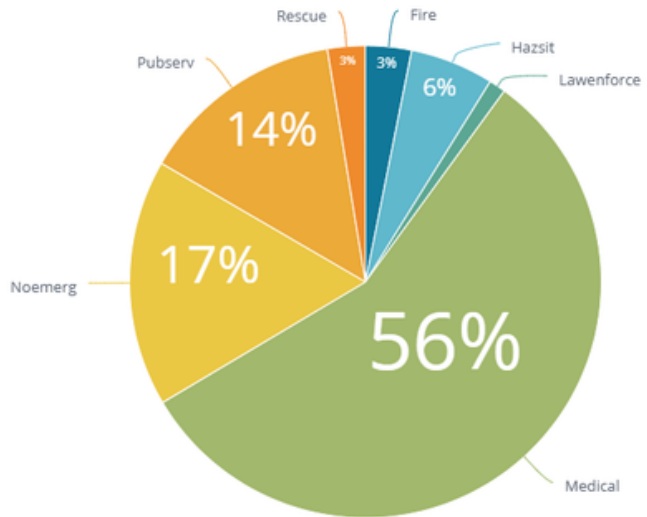
Rescue = Outside/Inside (Structure)/Transportation/Water

Public Service = Citizen Assistance/Alarms non-medical/Weather/Other

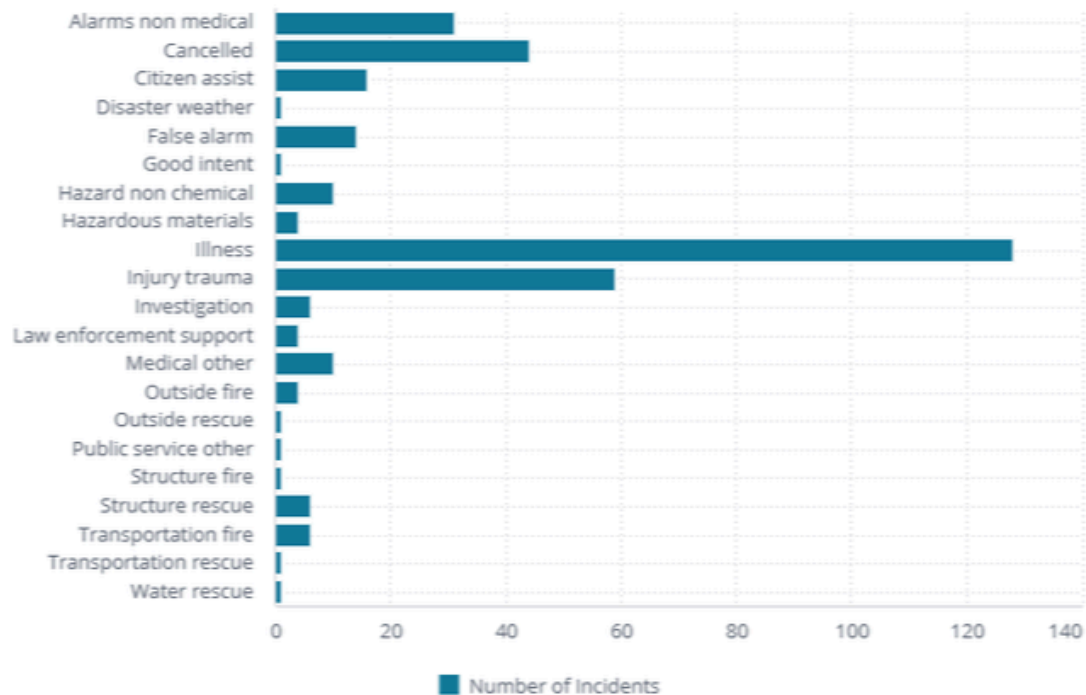
No Emergency = Cancelled/False Alarm/Good Intent

Assisting Law Enforcement

2026 Primary Incident Type by Category



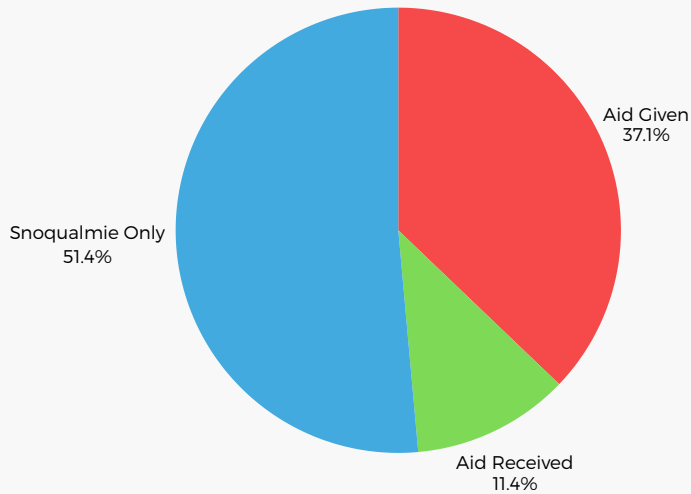
Primary Incident Types by Subcategory



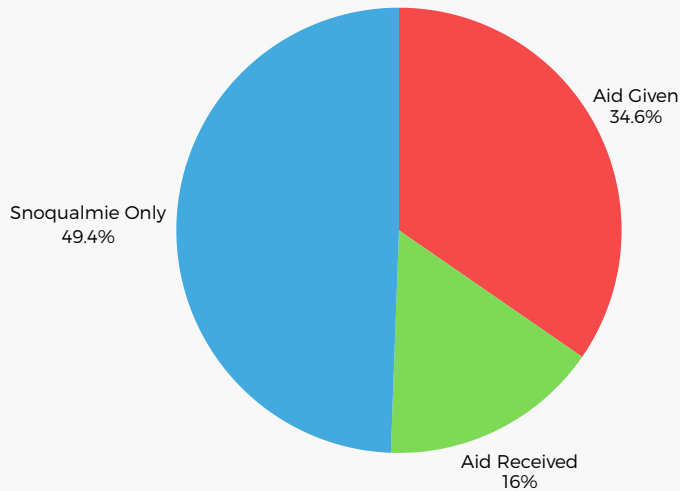
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2026 Annual Mutual Aid Given/Received



2025 Annual Mutual Aid Given/Received



INCIDENTS

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2026 Mutual Aid Given

Department	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Total
Eastside Fire and Rescue	127				127
KCFD #27 Fall City	12				12
Other	1				1

2026 Mutual Aid Received

Department	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Total
Eastside Fire and Rescue	27				27
KCFD #27 Fall City	13				13
Other	3				3

INCIDENTS

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Calls versus Units Mutual Aid Given

	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Total
Number of Calls ESFR Responded to Snoqualmie	27				27
Number of Units ESFR Responded With to Snoqualmie	62				62
Number of Calls Snoqualmie responded to in ESFR	127				127
Number of Units Snoqualmie Responded with to ESFR	132				132

Transports by Snoqualmie

Area of Call	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Total
Snoqualmie	72				72
Eastside Fire and Rescue	9				9
KCFD #27 Fall City	0				0

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

JAN - MAR 2026

The fire department tracks multiple performance measures to evaluate the agency's response to calls for service in our jurisdiction. These measures are compiled quarterly, and are compared to the previous year's data to look for trends and areas of improvement. Two of the performance measures that are evaluated are turnout times and travel times.

Turnout time is the time from when the call is received by the station to when the unit goes en-route. This time is influenced by factors such as location of personnel within the station, time of day, and whether the crew needs to don protective gear before responding.

Travel time is the amount of time it takes the unit to arrive on scene after leaving the station. This time is influenced by factors such as distance from the station, traffic patterns and weather conditions.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

TURNOUT TIME

2026 APPARATUS TURNOUT TIMES WITHIN THE CITY													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
0:0-0:29	5	6	5										16
0:30-0:59	13	9	19										41
1:00-1:29	15	18	22										55
1:30-1:59	4	2	3										9
2:00-2:59	0	0	0										0

90TH PERCENTILE (MM:SS)

Quarter	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
1st Qtr	1:35	1:35	1:50	1:38	1:28
2nd Qtr	1:38	1:32	1:35	1:33	
3rd Qtr	1:31	1:38	1:37	1:30	
4th Qtr	1:32	1:44	1:36	1:38	

Year	Annual 90th percentile
2022	1:34
2023	1:35
2024	1:40
2025	1:36
2026	1:28

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

TRAVEL TIME

2026 APPARATUS TRAVEL TIMES WITHIN THE CITY

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
0:00-2:59	5	5	4										14
3:00-5:59	18	11	19										48
6:00-8:59	6	13	16										35
9:00-11:59	0	0	1										1
12:00 +	0	0	0										0

90TH PERCENTILE (MM:SS)

Quarter	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
1st Qtr	7:20	7:23	8:21	7:04	7:23
2nd Qtr	6:42	8:16	7:08	6:48	
3rd Qtr	7:58	7:36	7:08	7:27	
4th Qtr	7:10	7:36	7:29	7:25	

Year	Annual 90th percentile
2022	7:26
2023	7:34
2024	7:23
2025	7:12
2026	7:23

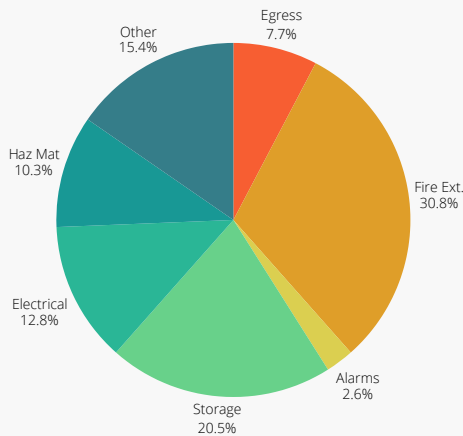
FIRE INSPECTIONS

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Beginning in 2017 the fire department began performing the majority of the fire and life safety inspections for businesses in the city. The building department has the overall responsibility and handles the more complex inspections, but the two departments work together to complete inspections as well as provide advice and resources for discrepancies found. Occupancies are inspected on a rotating 3-year basis, based upon risk and occupancy type. High risk occupancies get inspected annually, moderate risk occupancies on a biennial cycle, and low-risk every three years. The most common violations found are extension cords being used improperly, faulty emergency lighting, and extinguishers missing or improperly maintained. Inspections are assigned to the crews quarterly, with each shift being responsible for the initial and re-inspections.

INSPECTIONS COMPLETED 2026				
1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd qtr	4th qtr	Year to Date
50				50

Most Common Violations (Compiled annually)



Violation Definitions

- Egress - Egress blocked or not marked
- Fire Extinguishers - out of date, not enough, not right type
- Alarms - alarm system not inspected annually
- Sprinklers - sprinkler system not inspected annually
- Storage - improper storage, too close to ceiling or panel
- Electrical - extension cords used for permanent wiring
- HazMat - Improper storage
- Other- Violation not normally seen

PROPERTY LOST / SAVED

JAN - MAR 2026

For reporting purposes, fire loss is broken into two categories: property and contents. Property describes physical properties such as cars, house, etc. Contents describe items that are not part of the structure but perish in the incident. Both categories are combined together to determine total property loss, and more importantly, total property saved.

2026 1st Quarter Fire Loss

Incident Date	Fire Type	Property Value	Property Loss	Content value	Content Loss
2/3/2026	Chimney Fire	\$43,220,000	83,000	2,161,000	0
Totals	1	\$43,220,000	83,000	2,161,000	0

2026 Annual Property Saved

Property Risked	Property Saved	Percentage Saved
\$45,381,000	\$45,298,000	99.9%

Snoqualmie Police Department

Item 5.



Issaquah Jail 2026 Interlocal Agreement Amendment



**Public Safety Committee
May 4, 2026**



Issaquah Jail 2026

- On February 7, 2025, the Cities of Snoqualmie and Issaquah entered into an interlocal agreement for inmate housing at the Issaquah City Jail.
- The City of Issaquah has proposed a 2026 rate adjustment through an interlocal agreement amendment.
- The City of Issaquah is the primary jail facility of the City of Snoqualmie Police Department.



Issaquah Jail Rate 2025

2025 Issaquah Jail Rates:

Booking Fee	\$20.00
General Population Guaranteed Bed	\$150.00
Non-Guaranteed Bed	\$200.00

**The City of Snoqualmie currently contracts 5 guaranteed beds with the City of Issaquah.



Proposed 2026 Rates

2026 Issaquah Jail Rates:

General Population Guaranteed Bed	\$157.50
General Population Non-Guaranteed Bed	\$210.00
Booking Fee	\$25.00
Transport/Security Fee	\$94.50/hr.

**The City of Snoqualmie will continue to contract 5 guaranteed beds with the City of Issaquah.



Thank You

Questions?