

Consolidated Requests from Public Comment

Policy Review & Preparedness

Conduct a proactive review of City policies and preparedness related to potential increases in federal civil immigration (ICE) activity in the Snoqualmie Valley.

Develop and adopt clear policies and procedures in advance for how the City will respond if ICE activity occurs.

Ensure Snoqualmie is not unintentionally used as a staging, processing, or operational base for federal civil immigration enforcement, consistent with state law and judicial warrant requirements.

Review how City-owned property, facilities, and resources could be misused during immigration enforcement actions and prevent such misuse.

Staff Guidance & Internal Clarity

Provide clear, written guidance for City staff and departments so expectations are understood ahead of time regarding interactions with ICE or related federal actions.

Outline City planning for foreseeable contingencies that could arise during ICE operations (e.g., public safety issues, unattended vehicles, children left without supervision, unsecured property).

Public Transparency & Statements

Issue a clear public statement of the City's stance regarding ICE activity in the community, within the limits of federal law.

Explicitly reaffirm the City's commitment to protecting constitutional rights, including the right to peacefully protest.

Publicly affirm commitment to Washington's Keep Washington Working Act and to the well-being of all residents regardless of immigration status.

Disclose whether the City uses surveillance technologies (e.g., Flock cameras) and, if applicable, how data is used and shared (noting that staff stated Snoqualmie does not use Flock technology).

Community Safety & Trust

Clarify how the City and Police Department will keep residents safe while not impeding federal law, particularly to address fear of contacting police or emergency services.

Affirm that local police will act as a protective force for constitutional rights and public safety, not as agents of civil immigration enforcement.

Coordinate with regional partners, including the Snoqualmie Valley School District, to help ensure students and families feel safe.

Community Education & Training

Provide or support community training and education on residents' rights, City policies, and what to expect if ICE activity occurs.

Engage the community proactively to reduce fear, confusion, and misinformation before any enforcement activity takes place.

Ongoing Engagement

Invite community participation in policy development, including sharing research, examples from other cities, and assistance with public education efforts.