



KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

July 26, 2016

Ordinance 18325

Proposed No. 2016-0370.1

Sponsors von Reichbauer

1 AN ORDINANCE establishing the time of payment,
2 interest, and penalties to be imposed on delinquent annual
3 special assessment for lake management district No. 2 in
4 the Lake Geneva watershed; and declaring an emergency.

5 STATEMENT OF FACTS:

- 6 1. Ordinance 18282 created the lake management district No. 2 in the
7 Lake Geneva watershed.
- 8 2. Ordinance 18282 also required the hearing examiner to hold a public
9 hearing on the proposed special assessment roll and make a
10 recommendation on the assessment roll to the King County council.
- 11 3. The examiner held the public hearing on May 26, 2016, and issued a
12 decision on May 27, 2016.
- 13 4. Ordinance 18310 adopted a special assessment roll to fund the
14 approved activities of lake management district No. 2 in the Lake Geneva
15 watershed.
- 16 5. Under RCW 36.61.200, the King County council must establish by
17 ordinance interest and penalties to be imposed on delinquent annual
18 assessments.

19 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

20 **SECTION 1. Findings:** This ordinance must be enacted as an emergency
21 ordinance in order to allow the district to immediately begin the collection process of its
22 special assessments to fund its work program for 2016, as contemplated in the district's
23 management plan adopted by the council by Ordinance 18228.

24 **SECTION 2.** Annual special assessment payments are due on May 10 of each
25 year, except in 2016, when annual special assessment payments are due by September 30.
26 Interest in the amount of one percent per month shall be imposed on the balance of
27 delinquent special assessments. Monthly interest shall be charged on June 1 and the first
28 day of each subsequent month, except in 2016, when monthly interest shall be charged on
29 November 1 and the first day of each subsequent month. The penalty for late payment
30 shall be the minimum required by RCW 36.61.200.

31 **SECTION 3.** Under RCW 36.61.230, special assessments, including penalties
32 and interest, imposed within lake management district No. 2 in the Lake Geneva
33 watershed shall be a lien upon property, except publicly owned property, assessed from
34 the time the special assessment roll is placed in the hands of the county treasurer for
35 collection. The special assessment lien shall be paramount and superior to any other lien
36 or encumbrance theretofore or thereafter created except a lien for general taxes. The cost
37 associated with filing a lien and any other collection effort shall be borne by the property
38 owner.

39 **SECTION 4. Severability.** If any provision of this ordinance or its application to
40 any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance or the
41 application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected

42 SECTION 5. Any act consistent with the authority and before the effective date
43 of this ordinance is hereby ratified and affirmed.

44 SECTION 6. The county council finds as a fact and declares that an emergency
45 exists and that this ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace,
46 health or safety or for the support of county government and its existing public
47 institutions.

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Ordinance 18325 was introduced on 7/18/2016 and passed by the Metropolitan King
County Council on 7/25/2016, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Dunn,
Mr. McDermott, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Upthegrove, Ms. Kohl-Welles
and Ms. Balducci
No: 0
Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



J. Joseph McDermott, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

Attachments: None