



**KING COUNTY**

1200 King County Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

**Signature Report**

**June 22, 2009**

**Ordinance 16559**

**Proposed No.** 2009-0286.1

**Sponsors** Hague and von Reichbauer

1 AN ORDINANCE approving the Highline Water District  
2 2008 Comprehensive Water System Plan.

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4 STATEMENT OF FACTS:

- 5 1. King County adopted K.C.C. chapter 13.24, which requires approval of  
6 comprehensive plans for water and sewer utilities that distribute or obtain  
7 water in unincorporated King County as a prerequisite for operating in  
8 unincorporated King County, receiving approval for annexation proposals,  
9 being granted right-of-way franchises and being given approval for right-  
10 of-way construction permits. K.C.C. 13.24.060 prescribes the  
11 requirements for approval of such plans, including consistency with state  
12 and local planning requirements.
- 13 2. RCW 57.16. 010 requires that general comprehensive plans for water  
14 districts must be submitted to and approved by the legislative authority  
15 within whose boundaries all or a portion of the district lies.
- 16 3. King County last approved the Highline Water District Comprehensive  
17 Water System Plan ("the plan") in 2002. Both Washington state

18 Department of Health ("the DOH") and King County regulations require  
19 water system plans to be updated every six years.

20 4. The Highline water district ("the district") is wholly within King  
21 County and has adopted a 2008 comprehensive water system plan.

22 5. King County has adopted a comprehensive plan that includes water  
23 supply policies in its provisions for facilities and services (policies F-213  
24 through F-245) that call for consistency with other adopted plans, support  
25 for regional water supply planning, pursuit of reclaimed water, water  
26 conservation and protection of water resources.

27 6. K.C.C. chapter 13.24 requires review of water system plans by the  
28 utilities technical review committee, and that a recommendation be made  
29 to the King County executive and council on the plan and the requirements  
30 under K.C.C. chapter 13.24 and consistency with the King County  
31 Comprehensive Plan. The utilities technical review committee has  
32 reviewed the planning data and district operations and hereby finds:

33 a. The plan is consistent with population and employment forecasts  
34 developed by the Puget Sound Regional Council for the district's service  
35 area, with a customized forecast appropriately used;

36 b. The plan appropriately uses King County land use classifications;

37 c. The capital facility plan is adequate to meet anticipated facility and  
38 service needs;

39 d. The plan is consistent with applicable state water quality laws,  
40 including the evaluation of reclaimed water use; and

41 e. The plan is consistent with other pertinent county adopted plans and  
42 policies.

43 7. The DOH has yet to approve the district's water plan, pending approval  
44 by King County. Approval from the DOH is expected after the King  
45 County council acts.

46 8. The district completed a state Environmental Policy Act checklist for  
47 the plan and, as lead agency, issued a determination of nonsignificance for  
48 the issuance of the plan on December 17, 2008.

49 9. The district's operations and facilities meet multiple existing statutory,  
50 administrative and planning standards. As the district's operations,  
51 facilities and planning meet the requirements of the King County Code  
52 and are consistent with the King County Comprehensive Plan, the utilities  
53 technical review committee recommends approval of the plan.

54 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

55 SECTION 1. The Highline Water District 2008 Comprehensive Water System

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57 Plan, Attachment A to this ordinance, is hereby approved as a comprehensive water  
58 system plan.

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Ordinance 16559 was introduced on 5/4/2009 and passed by the Metropolitan King  
County Council on 6/22/2009, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Mr. Constantine, Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Hague, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von  
Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Patterson and Mr. Dunn

No: 0

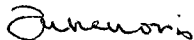
Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Dow Constantine, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 30<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2009.



Kurt Triplett, County Executive

**Attachments**      A. Highline Water District 2008 Comprehensive Water System Plan

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