



## King County

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The Honorable Claudia Balducci  
Chair, King County Council  
Room 1200  
C O U R T H O U S E

Dear Councilmember Balducci:

This letter transmits a proposed Ordinance that, if enacted, would enable King County to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the South Correctional Entity, located in Des Moines, Washington, for the temporary incarceration of persons who would otherwise be held in the King County Correctional Facility or the Maleng Regional Justice Center. The Agreement is governed by the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Revised Code of Washington 39.34, which requires approval by Ordinance prior to implementation.

The primary purpose of this agreement is to help King County mitigate the impact of the unprecedented levels of employee vacancies on staff in the Department of Adult and Juvenile Detention. The agreement also provides the ability for south King County law enforcement agencies to admit persons to jail without having to take people to the King County Correctional Center in Seattle or require that the admissions facility at the Maleng Regional Justice Center be reopened and staffed.

Please see the enclosed fiscal note for budgetary details. Funding for this proposed Interlocal Agreement is included in the Executive's 2023-2024 Proposed Budget that is currently under Council consideration.

This proposed Interlocal Agreement supports the efficient, accountable regional and local government goal of the King County Strategic Plan.

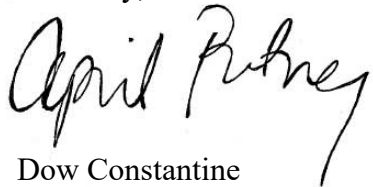
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If your staff have any questions regarding this proposed Ordinance, please contact Steven Larsen, Interim Deputy Director, Department of Adult and Juvenile Detention, at 206-477-2339.

Sincerely,

 for

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King County Executive

Enclosure

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