

## King County

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inactive under state law and it is in the public interest to dissolve the Shoreline

Park and Recreation District.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

## **SECTION 1. Findings:**

A. Under RCW 36.96.020, once a county legislative authority has been informed that a special purpose district appears to be inactive, that legislative authority is required to hold public hearings and determine whether or not that special purpose district is "inactive." After a finding of inactivity, the legislative authority may then also determine whether it is in the public interest to dissolve such an inactive special purpose district.

B. In accordance with RCW 36.96.020, the director of the department of elections provided written

notice to the King County council on May 31, 2022, of apparent inactive special purpose districts located in the county. According to the department of elections, it has no records showing that since 1992 the Shoreline Park and Recreation District ("the district") has held any election for commissioners or run any bond measure. The department of elections concluded that the district appears to be "inactive" under RCW 36.96.010(3).

- C. In accordance with state law, the King County treasurer acts as the treasurer for parks and recreation districts created within the county. The treasurer has confirmed that it holds no moneys in the name of the district.
- E. The council finds that the district has not carried out any of the special purposes or functions for which it was formed within the preceding consecutive five-year period, and no process has been initiated for the purpose of electing a member of the governing body within the preceding consecutive seven-year period. Therefore, it meets the criteria for being "inactive" under RCW 36.96.010(3).
- F. In accordance with RCW 36.96.040, the council finds that the dissolution of the district is in the public interest since the district is defunct and does not provide the public function for which it was formed. The district's dissolution would reduce administrative burdens imposed on King County in providing monitoring and financial oversight services and reduce costs to taxpayers resulting from those administrative burdens.
- SECTION 2. The Shoreline Park and Recreation District is dissolved in accordance with RCW 36.96.040.
- SECTION 3. In accordance with RCW 36.96.040, the Shoreline Park and ecreation District shall cease to exist thirty-one days after the effective date of this ordinance.