



Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE approving the Northeast Sammamish Sewer and Water

District's amendment to Sewer System Plan, April 2011.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

1. King County Code ("K.C.C.") 13.24 requires approval of comprehensive plans and amendments to plans for sewer utilities as a prerequisite to granting right-of-way franchises and approval for right-of-way construction permits. Approval of a plan amendment is also required under K.C.C. 13.24.134 if sewer service is provided to the rural area.
2. Washington state law (Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 57.16.010(7)) requires that any general comprehensive plan of any sewer district be approved, conditionally approved, or rejected by the legislative authority of every county within whose boundaries all or a portion of the district lies. The county legislative authority must make its determination based on (1) whether the actions outlined in the plan comply with the development program outlined in the county's comprehensive plan; (2) whether the actions outlined in the plan comply with any approved basin-wide water or sewerage plan; and (3) whether the actions outlined in the plan comply with the policies expressed in any county plan for sewer facilities. The actions proposed in the amendment are consistent with RCW 57.16.010(7).
3. Both Washington state Department of Ecology ("DOE") and King County regulations require approval of sewer plan amendments prior to the construction of new facilities.
4. The Northeast Sammamish Sewer and Water District ("the district") provides sewer service to

approximately thirteen thousand five hundred people on the Sammamish Plateau in central King County. Its service area includes residential and commercial properties. All of the district's wastewater is treated at King County's regional treatment plant.

5. The district is proposing an amendment to change its service area and extend service into the rural area to address the needs of a public school.

6. K.C.C. 13.24.134 allows the extension of sewer systems to the rural area to address the needs of a public school with average daily wastewater flows greater than three thousand five hundred gallons per day and when no cost-effective alternative technologies are feasible that would protect basic public health, safety, and the environment. A finding must also be made by the King County utilities technical review committee ("UTRC") that the sewer line can be tightlined to preclude other connections.

7. The UTRC reviewed the district's amendment on April 20, 2011, and found that the plan meets applicable requirements

8. The UTRC recommends that the King County council approve the amendment.

9. The district completed a State Environmental Policy Act checklist and issued a determination of nonsignificance for the issuance of the plan amendment on March 11, 2011; there were no appeals.

10. By resolutions the commissioners of the district adopted the determination of nonsignificance for the 2011 sewer comprehensive plan and adopted the amendment to the sewer plan.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. The Northeast Sammamish Sewer and Water District's amendment to Sewer System Plan, April 2011, Attachment A to this ordinance, is hereby approved as a general sewer plan amendment to allow for a sewer extension on parcel number 1625069020.