



Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE approving the grant funding allocation for the projects funded through the 2020-2025 parks, recreation, trails and open space levy grant program, Round 1, in accordance with Ordinance 18890, Motion 15378, Ordinance 19166 and the 2021-2022 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19210, Section 93.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

1. Ordinance 19166 established grant award criteria and the process for the King County parks, recreation, trails and open space levy grant programs, as well as the proposed composition of advisory committees in accordance with Ordinance 18890, Section 7, Motion 15378, Section F.1., and Attachments A, B, D and E to Motion 15378.
2. Ordinance 18890, which took effect May 13, 2019, called for a special election to authorize the King County parks, recreation trails and open space levy. On August 6, 2019, King County voters approved the levy, which included funding for various grant programs including open space river corridors.
3. The open space river corridors grant program under Attachment D to Ordinance 19166 will provide funding for flood risk reduction, habitat restoration, open space, and recreation in river corridors. The goal of the program is to incentivize projects that integrate multiple attributes of projects inside river corridors such as flood control, habitat, passive recreation, and trails.
4. The open space river corridors grant program advisory committee convened in the winter of 2022 to review and score grant proposals and has recommended funding for the projects listed in section 1 of

this ordinance, based upon the eligibility and additional criteria set forth in Attachment D to Ordinance 19166.

5. These recommendations reflect round 1 of what is expected to be a three-round grant cycle over the course of the levy. The second round of grants is expected to begin in the fall of 2022, and the third and final round of grants is expected to begin in 2024.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. The King County council authorizes the funding of open space river corridors grant projects for Round 1, 2022, totaling \$5,042,847, as follows:

A. City of Tukwila: \$250,000 for "Nelsen Side Channel";

B. King County Water and Land Resources Division: \$300,000 for "Auburn Narrows Restoration Design";

C. King County Water and Land Resources Division: \$650,000 for "Fall City Floodplain Restoration Project";

D. King County Water and Land Resources Division: \$300,000 for "Green River Riparian Restoration - Flaming Geyser";

E. Mid-Puget Sound Fisheries Enhancement Group: \$156,255 for "Auburn Parks Green River Riparian Restoration";

F. City of North Bend: \$800,000 for "South Fork Snoqualmie River Levee Setback";

G. King County Water and Land Resources Division: \$135,600 for "Cedar River Habitat Restoration";

H. King County Water and Land Resources Division: \$400,000 for "Turley Levee Acquisition for Future Restoration";

I. Seattle Public Utilities: \$1,000,000 for "Upper Royal Arch Floodplain Restoration";

J. Seattle Department of Parks and Recreation: \$200,000 for "Gateway Park North Park Development";

K. King County Fish Passage Assessment: \$100,000 for "Tolt-MacDonald Fish Passage Project";

L. King County Parks and Recreation Division: \$400,000 for "Snoqualmie River Open Space Acquisition";

M. King County Fish Passage Assessment: \$100,000 for "Chinook Bend Fish Passage Restoration";

and

N. Snoqualmie Indian Tribe: \$250,992 for "North Fork Tolt Corridor Assessment."