



Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE authorizing the King County Executive to enter into interlocal agreements with existing contract cities and additional cities seeking to contract for the provision of local district court services.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Findings:

- A. The cities of Auburn, Beaux Arts Village, Bellevue, Burien, Covington, Carnation, Kenmore, Redmond, Shoreline, Sammamish and Skykomish currently contract with King County for the provision of local district court services.
- B. The current interlocal agreement for district court services between King County and the current contract cities expires on December 31, 2021.
- C. The county has been providing local district court services to contract cities via an interlocal agreement for over twenty years.
- D. The city of Pacific wishes to contract with King County for local district court services effective January 1, 2022.
- E. The 2005 district court operational master plan, which was developed by a group of stakeholders that included representatives from contract cities set the long-term direction for: a unified, countywide district court; the provision of quality, accessible and efficient justice services; and utilizing existing facilities so long as they, among other conditions, promote system efficiencies, quality services and access to justice.
- F. The county and the cities, in negotiating the interlocal agreement, created a long-term arrangement

that allows the county to recover its costs, supports the directions outlined in the operational master plan, provides structures for all parties to communicate regularly and resolve issues and recognizes the mutual benefit to both the county and the contract cities of a unified court system.

SECTION 2. The county executive is hereby authorized to execute an interlocal agreement with the cities of Auburn, Beaux Arts Village, Bellevue, Burien, Covington, Carnation, Kenmore, Pacific, Redmond, Shoreline, Sammamish and Skykomish, and any other cities who desire to contract with King County district court, substantially in the form of Attachment A to this ordinance.