



Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE approving the Washington Water Service Company Satellite System Management Plan.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

1. King County has adopted K.C.C. chapter 13.24, which requires approval of comprehensive plans for water utilities that distribute or obtain water in unincorporated King County as a prerequisite for operating in unincorporated King County, receiving approval for annexation proposals, being granted right-of-way franchises and being given approval for right-of-way construction permits. K.C.C. 13.24.060 prescribes the requirements for approval of such plans, including consistency with state and local planning requirements.
2. RCW 70.116.050 requires that general comprehensive plans for public water supply within critical water supply service areas be submitted to, and approved by, the legislative authority within whose boundaries all or a portion of a utility lies.
3. The Washington Water Service Company Satellite System Management Plan was last prepared in 2002. Both Washington state Department of Health and King County regulations require satellite system plans to be updated every six years.
4. The company proposes to provide satellite water system management services within a critical water supply service area and has adopted the plan.
5. King County has adopted a Comprehensive Plan that includes water supply policies in its provisions for facilities and services (policies F-101 through F-254) that call for consistency

with other adopted plans, support for regional water supply planning, pursuit of reclaimed water, water conservation and protection of water resources.

6. K.C.C. chapter 13.24 requires the utilities technical review committee to review and make a recommendation to the King County executive and council on the plan and the requirements under K.C.C. chapter 13.24 and consistency with the King County Comprehensive Plan. The utilities technical review committee has reviewed the planning data and company operations and has found:

- a. The plan proposes that the company provide satellite services and operate countywide;
- b. The plan is adequate to meet anticipated service needs for those systems that contract with the company;
- c. The plan is consistent with applicable Washington state water quality laws; and
- d. The plan is consistent with other pertinent county adopted plans and policies.

7. The Washington state Department of Health approved of the company's plan pending King County approval.

8. Under the state Environmental Policy Act, the department of natural resources and parks issued a Determination of Nonsignificance for the issuance of the plan on June 21, 2013, and there were no appeals.

9. The company's operations and facilities meet multiple existing statutory, administrative, and planning standards. As the company's operations, facilities, and planning meet the requirements of the King County Code and are consistent with the King County Comprehensive Plan, the utilities technical review committee has recommended approval of the plan.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. The Washington Water Service Company Satellite System

Management Plan, Attachment A to this ordinance, is hereby approved as a satellite system management plan.