



Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE approving the Final October 2015 City of Auburn Washington
Comprehensive Water Plan.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

1. King County has adopted K.C.C. chapter 13.24, which requires approval of comprehensive plans for water and sewer utilities that provide service 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. chapter 13.24 prescribes the requirements for approval of such plans, including consistency with state and local planning requirements.
2. The city of Auburn's last general water facility plan was prepared in 2013. Washington state Department of Health and King County regulations require water system plans to be updated every six years or sooner if necessary.
3. The city has a service area within King County and has adopted a water system plan update ("the plan").
4. King County has adopted a Comprehensive Plan that includes policies F-101 through F-254, the applicable portions of which address water policies for facilities and services; these water policies call for consistency with other adopted plans, pursuit of reclaimed water, water conservation and protection of water resources.
5. 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, 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 system operations and has found:

- a. The plan uses population and employment forecasts developed by the Puget Sound Regional Council;
 - b. The city's service area includes portions of unincorporated King County;
 - c. The capital facility plan is adequate to meet anticipated facility and service needs;
 - d. The plan is consistent with applicable Washington state water quality laws; and
 - e. The plan is consistent with other pertinent county adopted plans and policies.
6. Washington state Department of Health approval is pending upon King County's approval of the plan.
7. Under the state Environmental Policy Act the city completed an environmental check list and the district issued a determination of nonsignificance for the plan approval on April 21, 2015.

There were no appeals.

8. The city's operations and facilities meet multiple existing statutory, administrative and planning standards. As the city'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 Final October 2015 City of Auburn Washington

Comprehensive Water Plan, Attachment A to this ordinance, is hereby approved as a comprehensive water plan.