

Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE authorizing the county executive to execute an interlocal agreement between King County and the city of Seattle granting the Historic Seattle Preservation and Development Authority the ability to exercise its chartered authority within unincorporated King County.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

- 1. Ordinance 18441 approved an agreement for the administration and governance of the preservation action fund program between King County and 4Culture. The preservation action fund is a two-million-dollar fund established as part of the building for culture program to acquire, rehabilitate and resell threatened historic buildings located outside the city of Seattle.
- 2. The agreement for administration and governance of the preservation action fund program as approved by Ordinance 18441, stipulates that the fund will be administered through a partnership between King County through the historic preservation program in the department of natural resources and parks and 4Culture, in collaboration with the Historic Seattle Preservation and Development Authority ("Historic Seattle") and the Washington Trust for Historic Preservation. These four organizations comprise the preservation action fund advisory team.
- 3. The agreement for administration and governance of the preservation action fund further stipulates that preservation action fund projects shall be selected by consensus of the preservation action fund advisory team.
- 4. The agreement for administration and governance of the preservation action fund program further stipulates that through a separate agreement by and between 4Culture and Historic

Seattle, Historic Seattle will be responsible for acquiring, executing rehabilitation and divesting itself of properties funded by preservation action fund proceeds. Historic Seattle is a public corporation chartered by the city of Seattle.

- 5. Historic Seattle's chartered purposes include preserving and enhancing the historic heritage of the city of Seattle through restoration of historic structures and development of residential and transient housing for all income levels.
- 6. Seattle Municipal Code Section 3.110.170 states in part: "If authorized by its charter to do so, a public corporation may undertake projects and activities or perform acts outside the limits of the City only in those areas of another jurisdiction whose governing body by agreement with the City consents thereto. The Historic Seattle charter so authorizes."
- 7. City of Seattle Ordinance 125420 authorized the city of Seattle to enter into an agreement with King County to permit Historic Seattle to exercise its chartered authority in unincorporated King County using preservation action fund proceeds, which is Attachment A to this ordinance, with King County consenting to a request from Historic Seattle to exercise its chartered authority within unincorporated King County.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. The county executive is authorized to execute an agreement, substantially in the form of Attachment A to this ordinance, with the city of Seattle to grant the Historic Seattle Preservation and Development Authority the ability to exercise its chartered authority within unincorporated King County.