

Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE authorizing the use of an interlocal agreement template for cities, towns and metropolitan park districts for open space acquisition projects.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

- 1. King County conservation futures tax levy proceeds are collected from throughout King County as a dedicated portion of property taxes, for the acquisition of open space and natural resource lands.
- 2. Ordinance 14714 established procedures for the annual allocation of conservation futures tax levy proceeds, which directs the conservation futures citizens committee to make funding recommendations to the King County executive, to consider for inclusion in the annual budget ordinance.
- 3. Starting in 1990 and through 2017, the King County executive, as authorized by the council, executed interlocal cooperation agreements with the cities of Auburn, Bellevue, Black Diamond, Bothell, Burien, Carnation, Covington, Des Moines, Duvall, Enumclaw, Federal Way, Issaquah, Kenmore, Kent, Kirkland, Lake Forest Park, Mercer Island, Milton, Newcastle, Normandy Park, North Bend, Pacific, Redmond, Renton, Sammamish, Seattle, Shoreline, Snoqualmie and Tukwila, and Vashon Park District.
- 4. Many of the existing interlocal agreements were amended over time to add new projects. Prior to the passage of Ordinance 18827 in November 2018, after the council appropriated moneys for projects for entities with which the county already has interlocal agreements, the executive transmitted a proposed ordinance for approval of amendments to the interlocal

agreement with each entity to contractually recognize the moneys already appropriated by attaching a funding allocation amendment for affected entities.

- 5. On November 13, 2018, the council passed Ordinance 18827, which authorized the executive to execute follow-on amendments using a template amendment attached to the ordinance.
- 6. The 2019-2020 budget ordinance appropriated twenty-four million dollars for bond funding.

 Use of bond proceeds requires revisions to the existing interlocal agreements.
- 7. Additionally, some sections of the existing interlocal agreement should be revised for consistency with the King County Code and for technical updates.
- 8. A new template for the interlocal agreement would meet the needs for revised terms and allow for streamlined implementation because the council would have already approved the contractual terms for new projects. The existing interlocal agreements can remain in place for the projects to which they apply.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. The executive is hereby authorized to execute interlocal agreements with the cities, towns and metropolitan park districts that receive conservation futures tax proceeds, in substantially the form of Attachment A to this ordinance.