

King County

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A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the report on the shift of the sewer rate cost burden to the single-family sector from the commercial/industrial/multifamily sector required by the 2021-2022 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19210, Section 112, Proviso P3.

WHEREAS, the 2021-2022 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19210, Section 112, Proviso P3, states that \$200,000 shall not be expended or encumbered until the executive transmits a report on the shift of the sewer rate cost burden to the single-family sector from the commercial/industrial/multifamily sector, and a motion that acknowledges receipt of the report and is passed by the council; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 19210, Section 112, Proviso P3, requires that the report includes:

- 1. A discussion of the history of, and rationale for, the sewer rate cost structure that has resulted in the shifting of the cost burden from commercial/industrial/multifamily housing sectors to single-family homeowners;
- 2. Options for alternative cost structures that would distinguish multifamily ratepayers from commercial and industrial ratepayers; and
- 3. A discussion of the appropriate balance of costs between the residential sector and the commercial/industrial sector in sewer rate revenues, and the criteria impacting that balance; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 19210, Section 112, Proviso P3, directs the executive to electronically file the report and motion require by this proviso no later than August 1, 2021, with the clerk of the council, who shall retain the electronic copy and provide an electronic copy to all councilmembers, the council chief of staff and

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the lead staff for the regional water quality committee and the budget and fiscal management committee, or their successors;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

The King County council hereby acknowledges receipt of the report entitled Sewer Rate Cost Structure, Attachment A to this motion.