



Legislation Text

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A MOTION authorizing an interlocal agreement between King County and the city of Maple Valley to address flooding in the Jacqueline Meadows area.

WHEREAS, in the 1980s and 1990s, certain privately constructed housing developments, known as Wilderness Village Estates, Maple Valley Meadows, Jacqueline Meadows and Maplebrook Meadows, were planned and constructed in the Maple Valley area of King County, and

WHEREAS, per King County regulations the housing developers constructed requisite drainage facilities, most of which had been accepted for ongoing maintenance by King County upon completion of development and monitoring processes, and

WHEREAS, in 1996 the area of the developments began to experience significant flooding problems during periods of heavy rain that affected roadways and homes, and

WHEREAS, in 1996 and 1997 King County completed a two-phased neighborhood drainage study to assess potential causes of and measures to address the flooding problem; the study determined that the flooding problem may be attributable to a number of factors including elevation of the groundwater table which impedes the infiltration of stormwater runoff to the soil, and

WHEREAS, the area of the flooding problem was included in the area of the city of Maple Valley, which was incorporated in August 1997, and

WHEREAS, since its incorporation, Maple Valley has taken over King County's responsibility for maintenance of certain drainage facilities in the area of the flooding problem and has been evaluating long-term solutions to the flooding problem, and

WHEREAS, as part of the King County-to-Maple Valley governance transition, King County and Maple Valley have desired to cooperatively address the flooding problem, and in its 1999 budget King County allocated seventy-five thousand dollars from its surface water management construction fund as a contribution towards a project that would address the flooding problem, once the project had been appropriately permitted and an interlocal agreement executed between the county and the city, and

WHEREAS, Maple Valley has now identified and permitted a project for the purposes of addressing and diminishing the flooding problem that will use an existing water pumping station to convey stormwater overflows to a new infiltration site, and

WHEREAS, King County desires to make its contribution of seventy-five thousand dollars towards completion of the project for the purposes of addressing and diminishing the flooding problem, and

WHEREAS, under chapter 39.34 RCW, the Interlocal Cooperation Act, King County and the city of Maple Valley are each authorized to enter into an agreement for cooperative action;

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

The county executive is hereby authorized to enter into an interlocal agreement in substantially the same form as Attachment A to this motion, with the parties address flooding in the Jacqueline Meadows area.

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