



KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

August 25, 2003

Ordinance 14742

Proposed No. 2003-0366.2

Sponsors Lambert

1 AN ORDINANCE approving the City of Snoqualmie
2 General Sewer Plan.

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PREAMBLE:

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K.C.C. chapter 13.24 requires approval of comprehensive plans for sewer
7 utilities as a prerequisite for granting right-of-way franchises and approval
8 of right-of-way construction permits.

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The City of Snoqualmie General Sewer Plan ("plan") discusses sewer
10 service to existing and future populations within the city's five-thousand-
11 nine-hundred-acre service area. The service area includes both
12 incorporated and unincorporated portions within the city's urban growth
13 boundary. Approximately seven hundred twenty acres and three thousand
14 two hundred people are currently served by the city.

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Several large development projects in the city's urban growth area are
16 proposed to be started in the near future. The projects include a casino
17 proposed by the Snoqualmie Tribe and the Snoqualmie Ridge II

18 development. The plan also includes a connection to the rural area for the
19 Echo Glen Children's Center ("center"), a state-run facility for troubled
20 youth. K.C.C. 13.24.134 allows for sewer service to be expanded to serve
21 uses in the rural and natural resource areas only if the following conditions
22 are met: the facilities are needed to address specific health and safety
23 problems or to meet the needs of public facilities such as schools; the
24 sewer extension is tightlined; and a finding is made by the utilities
25 technical review committee that no cost effective alternative technologies
26 are feasible. The center currently treats its own sewage and discharges the
27 effluent to Icy creek. The existing plant, however, does not function
28 properly and results in pollution of the creek. Other than connecting to the
29 city's system, there do not appear to be any viable options that will both
30 protect the creek and allow the center to continue to operate. On July 9,
31 2003, the utilities technical review committee approved a rural sewer
32 connection to the center based on findings that there do not appear to be
33 any other feasible on-site treatment options, the sewer connection will not
34 lead to any further development of the rural area and polluting discharges
35 to Icy creek will be eliminated.

36 The city currently treats annual average sewage flows of six hundred sixty
37 thousand gallons per day. The treatment system consists of screens, a grit
38 chamber, oxidation ditches, clarifiers, sand filters and ultraviolet
39 disinfection. Treated effluent is discharged to the Snoqualmie river. The

40 treatment process produces class A reclaimed water that is used on the
41 Snoqualmie Ridge golf course and in city parks.

42 The city projects that in twenty years annual average sewage flows may
43 reach over one million seven hundred thousand gallons per day. With
44 reductions in infiltration and inflow and a greater emphasis on water
45 conservation, the annual average flows can be reduced. The plan
46 identifies over twelve million three hundred thousand dollars in capital
47 improvements that will be needed in the next twenty years.

48 The King County utilities technical review committee reviewed and
49 conditionally approved the plan on July 9, 2003. The condition of utilities
50 technical review committee approval has been met by the city and is
51 reflected in the plan copy attached to this ordinance. The utilities
52 technical review committee recommends that the council approve the plan.
53 The city prepared an environmental checklist in January 2003 in
54 accordance with the state Environmental Policy Act and intends to adopt a
55 determination of nonsignificance at its next city council meeting. The city
56 also intends to adopt the plan at its next city council meeting. The state
57 department of ecology is currently reviewing the plan.


58 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

59 SECTION 1. The City of Snoqualmie General Sewer Plan, Attachment A to this
60 ordinance, is hereby approved without conditions.
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Ordinance 14742 was introduced on 8/18/2003 and passed by the Metropolitan King
County Council on 8/25/2003, by the following vote:

Yes: 12 - Ms. Sullivan, Ms. Edmonds, Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Lambert, Mr.
Phillips, Mr. Pelz, Mr. McKenna, Mr. Constantine, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Hague,
Mr. Irons and Ms. Patterson
No: 0
Excused: 1 - Mr. Hammond


KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Cynthia Sullivan, Chair

ATTEST:


Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 5 day of September, 2003.


Ron Sims, County Executive

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Attachments A. City of Snoqualmie General Sewer Plan

City of Minneapolis

General Sewer Plan

June 2006

Prepared by: Urban Transit Inc.

ATTACHMENT 3, AVAILABLE IN ARCHIVES