

# KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Seattle, WA 98104

## Signature Report

### **September 13, 2010**

### Ordinance 16926

Proposed I	No. 201	0-0432.1
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#### **Sponsors** Phillips

1	AN ORDINANCE approving the Midway Sewer District
2	2008 Comprehensive Sewer System Plan.
3	STATEMENT OF FACTS:
4	1. K.C.C. chapter 13.24 requires approval of comprehensive plans for
5	sewer utilities as a prerequisite to granting right-of-way franchises and
6	approval for right-of-way construction permits. Such plans or their
7	updates must be submitted to the county at least once every six years, and
8	more frequently if circumstances call for an earlier submittal.
9	2. K.C.C. 13.24.060 requires that such plans be consistent with the
10	requirements of any comprehensive plans or development regulations
11	adopted under chapter 36.70A RCW or any other applicable
12	comprehensive plan, land use plan, or development regulation adopted by
13	a city, town, or county for the service area. The King County
14	Comprehensive Plan, which includes wastewater policies in its provisions
15	for facilities and services (policies F-245 through F-254), also calls for
16	consistency with other adopted plans, pursuit of reclaimed water and water
17	conservation, and protection of water resources.
18	3.a. RCW 57.16.010(7) requires that any general comprehensive plan of
19	any sewer district be approved, conditionally approved, or rejected by the

20	legislative authority of every county within whose boundaries all or a
21	portion of the district lies. The county legislative authority must make its
22	determination based on:
23	(1) whether the actions outlined in the plan comply with the
24	development program outlined in the county's Comprehensive Plan;
25	(2) whether the actions outlined in the plan comply with any approved
26	basin-wide water or sewerage plan; and
27	(3) whether the actions outlined in the plan comply with the policies
28	expressed in any county plan for either water or sewage facilities, or both.
29	b. The actions proposed in the plan are consistent with RCW
30	57.16.010(7).
31	4. Both Washington state Department of Ecology and King County
32	regulations require sewer plans to be approved prior to the construction of
33	new facilities.
34	5. The Midway sewer district ("the district") provides sewer service to a
35	population of over forty-six thousand and an employment base of thirteen
36	thousand nine hundred in a service area of ten square miles in the
37	southwest King County. Its service area is a mix of residential,
38	commercial properties, industrial customers, and includes a small portion
39	of park and open spaces. The district's facilities discharge to a treatment
40	plant operated by the district as well as to facilities operated by the
41	Lakehaven utility district.

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42	6. The district's service area is largely built out. Its anticipated growth
43	through 2030 will be largely mixed-use development and redevelopment
44	construction. In addition, the district expects to accommodate additional
45	growth by providing sewers to four hundred eighty acres of land that do
46	not currently have service. By 2030, it expects to be serving a residential
47	population of approximately fifty thousand five hundred residents and
48	sixteen thousand nine hundred employees.
49	7. The principal operational issues include extending service to
50	unsewered pockets of existing development within the district's service
51	area, inflow and infiltration into the district's facilities during rain events,
52	and capacity issues related to growth. Extending service to unsewered
53	existing development is dependent on requests from property owners. The
54	district has a reasonable plan to address inflow and infiltration when cost
55	effective. Capacity issues related to growth will be addressed when
56	development proposals are approved through developer extension
57	agreements.
58	8. The county's most recent approval of the district's sewer plan occurred
59	in January 1993, although the plan was updated in 2000.
60	9. The King County utilities technical review committee ("UTRC")
61	reviewed the district's plan in October 2009 and recommends approval.

K.C.C. chapter 13.24 requires review of wastewater plans by the UTRC,

and a recommendation to the King County executive and council on the

plan, its meeting the requirements under K.C.C. chapter 13.24, and its

65	consistency with the King County Comprehensive Plan. The planning
66	data and proposed operations were reviewed by the UTRC. The UTRC
67	found:
68	a. The infrastructure system for the existing service area and for the area
69	anticipated to be served in the future is based on the adopted land use map
70	of the Comprehensive Plan. The population and employment forecasts
71	developed for the service area are appropriately used;
72	b. The plan has information sufficient to demonstrate the ability to
73	provide service consistent with the requirements of all applicable statutes,
74	codes, rules and regulations;
75	c. The Washington state Department of Ecology has determined the plan
76	is consistent with WAC 173-240-050 and approved the plan;
77	d. There are no areas of concern with respect to corrosion and odor
78	control;
79	f. The district evaluated opportunities for reclaimed water;
80	g. The district works with the cities and other special purpose districts to
81	ensure the elimination or prevention of duplicate facilities;
82	h. The district provides service at a reasonable cost and maximizes the
83	use of the existing public facilities;
84	i. The plan is consistent with the King County Comprehensive Plan and
85	other pertinent county adopted plans and policies;
86	j. The district meets applicable state water quality and waste management
87	standards; and

88	k. The UTRC recommends that the King County council approve the
89	plan.
90	10. The district completed a state Environmental Policy Act checklist and
91	issued a determination of nonsignificance for the issuance of the plan on
92	December 11, 2008. There was no appeal of the determination.
93	BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:
94	SECTION 1. The Midway Sewer District 2008 Comprehensive Sewer System

96 plan.

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Ordinance 16926 was introduced on 8/23/2010 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 9/13/2010, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Ms. Drago, Mr. Phillips, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Hague, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Ferguson and Mr. Dunn

No: 0 Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Robert W. Ferguson, Chair

ATTEST:

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Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 231 day of Scotember, 2010.

Dow Constantine, County Executive

Attachments: A. Midway Sewer District 2008 Comprehensive Sewer System Plan