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December 21, 2020

The Honorable Claudia Balducci Chair, King County Council Room 1200 C O U R T H O U S E

Dear Councilmember Balducci:

This letter transmits a proposed ordinance that, if enacted, would approve the King County Water District No. 54 (District) Comprehensive Water System Plan (Plan). This letter and attached matrix describe the results of the Utilities Technical Review Committee's (UTRC) review of the Plan and its consistency with King County requirements.

The King County Code and Chapter 57.16 Revised Code of Washington (RCW) require King County approval of the Plan before it becomes effective. Approval of the Plan will also provide state regulatory agencies with the determination required under RCW 43.20.260 that the Plan is consistent with the King County Comprehensive Plan and implementing development regulations. On November 20, 2019, the UTRC finalized review of the Plan and recommended approval.

The enclosed matrix provides additional information regarding the District's Plan and compliance with King County Code requirements and consistency with the King County Comprehensive Plan.

The Plan supports the Economic Vitality and Healthy Environment goals of the King County Strategic Plan by helping to ensure adequate water management for County residents.

I appreciate the District's cooperation in submitting the Plan and working with the UTRC review process. I urge the King County Council to adopt the proposed ordinance approving the Plan.

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Thank you for your consideration of this proposed ordinance. This important legislation will help King County residents by helping to ensure an adequate supply of clean drinking water in King County.

If your staff have any questions, please contact Jae Hill, Chair of the Utilities Technical Review Committee, at 206-263-5690.

Sincerely,

for

for Dow Constantine King County Executive

Enclosure

cc: King County Councilmembers <u>ATTN</u>: Carolyn Busch, Chief of Staff Melani Pedroza, Clerk of the Council Shannon Braddock, Deputy Chief of Staff, Office of the Executive Karan Gill, Director, Council Relations, Office of the Executive John Taylor, Director, Department of Local Services Jim Chan, Division Director, Permitting Division, Department of Local Services