



Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE approving the Grand Ridge Water System Water System Plan.

PREAMBLE:

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

RCW 43.20.260 requires that water system plans for any new industrial, commercial, or residential use are to be consistent with the requirements of any comprehensive plans or development regulations adopted under chapter 36.70A RCW or any other applicable comprehensive plan, land use plan, or development regulation adopted by a city, town, or county for the service area.

Grand Ridge Water System ("GRWS") would provide water service to approximately forty residential lots located in rural eastern King County.

The water system obtains its water from the city of Issaquah. All of the connections to the system are for residential single family customers. Since this is a new system there is no actual historic water use. A unique aspect to the water system is that each lot will have a separate connection for potable water and another for irrigation water (which will be potable). The lots range in size between two and three acres each. GRWS will use potable water for irrigation.

The Grand Ridge Water System is considering a future nonpotable source from the Issaquah Highlands that may be connected to the water system. The irrigation system has been designed

to make use of, but not to rely upon, alternate sources.

The King County utilities technical review committee ("UTRC") reviewed and conditionally approved the plan on May 26, 2005. The majority of the suggested modifications and questions have been addressed in the plan copies attached to this ordinance. The UTRC recommended modifications in the plan that would clarify the purpose of the dual distribution system. The original plan proposed to use stormwater for the separate nonpotable irrigation system without having obtained water rights for the water. The plan has been modified to make the intent show that potable water will now be used for irrigation. However, the dual system is still planned, therefore the UTRC recommends approval of this plan with the condition that the GWRS submit an amended plan if there is any change in the source of water for the irrigation component of the water system.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. The Grand Ridge Water System Water System Plan, Attachment A to this ordinance, is hereby approved with the condition that an amended plan be provided to the council should there be any change in the source of water for the separate irrigation system.