



Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE approving the execution of a lease to support the operations and services of the department of public defense.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

1. On May 20, 2013, the King County council adopted Ordinance 17588 creating a department of public defense within the executive branch.
2. The four independent nonprofit agencies, which had been providing public defense services to the county under contracts, were subsumed as divisions into the newly created department of public defense.
3. Three of the nonprofit agencies subsumed into the new department were Associated Council for the Accused, Society of Counsel Representing Accused Persons and The Defender Association, which had been leasing space in the Meeker Street Law Building, located at 420 West Harrison Street, Kent, Washington, within council district two.
4. The facilities management division determined, through consultation with the department of public defense, because there are no county-owned options available, that continued leasing in the Meeker Street Law Building is the most cost-effective option for the county.
5. The facilities management division successfully negotiated to lease space from Meeker Street Law Building, LLC, located at 420 West Harrison Street, Kent, Washington, within council district two.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. The executive is authorized to execute a lease for the Meeker Street Law Building with Meeker Street Law Building, LLC, substantially in the form of Attachment A to this ordinance, and to take all actions necessary to implement the terms of the lease.