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## Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE approving the Northwest Water Systems Satellite Management Agency Plan, Amended March 24, 2011.

## STATEMENT OF FACTS:

- 1. King County has adopted K.C.C. chapter 13.24, which requires approval of comprehensive plans for water utilities that distribute or obtain water in unincorporated King County as a prerequisite for operating in unincorporated King County, receiving approval for annexation proposals, being granted right-of-way franchises, and being given approval for right-of-way construction permits. K.C.C. 13.24.060 prescribes the requirements for approval of such plans, including consistency with state and local planning requirements.
- 2. Northwest Water Systems has not yet had a plan approved by King County. Active in other areas of the state, the purveyor is interested in establishing a presence in King County.
- 3. Northwest Water Systems has adopted a Satellite Management Agency Plan.
- 4. King County has adopted a comprehensive plan that includes water supply policies in its provisions for facilities and services (policies F-201 through F-244) that call for consistency with other adopted plans, support for regional water supply planning, pursuit of reclaimed water, water conservation and protection of water resources.
- 5. K.C.C. chapter 13.24 requires the utilities technical review committee ("UTRC") to review and make a recommendation to the King County executive and council on the plan and the requirements under K.C.C. chapter 13.24 and consistency with the King County Comprehensive

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Plan. The UTRC has reviewed the planning data and company operations and found the plan is consistent with pertinent county adopted plans and policies.

- 6. The Washington state Department of Health's approval of the plan is pending King County council action.
- 7. Approval of the plan is exempt under the state Environmental Policy Act.
- 8. The Northwest Water Systems plan meets multiple existing statutory, administrative and planning standards. As Northwest Water Systems' operations, facilities and planning meet the requirements of the K.C.C., and are consistent with the King County Comprehensive Plan, the UTRC recommends approval of the plan.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. The Northwest Water Systems Satellite Management Agency Plan,

March 2011, Attachment A to this ordinance, is hereby approved as a comprehensive satellite management agency plan.