



Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE authorizing the King County executive to execute a thirty-year use agreement with the Sammamish Rowing Association for the use, construction, development, programming and maintenance of a new boathouse at Marymoor park.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

1. Ordinance 14509 authorized the department of natural resources and parks to create new public recreational opportunities by empowering user groups, sports associations and community organizations to operate, maintain and program mutually agreed upon capital improvements for public recreation facilities on King County land, and thereby address either or both regional and rural recreation needs without incurring new tax-funded operations and maintenance costs.
2. In accordance with K.C.C. 4.56.150.E, the King County council may adopt an ordinance permitting the county to enter into agreements for the use of county property with bona fide nonprofit organizations if the property is to be used by the nonprofit organization to make improvements to the county property or to provide services that will benefit the public.
3. The Sammamish Rowing Association ("SRA") is a nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of the state of Washington, and is tax-exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, 26 U.S.C. Sec. 501(c)(3). SRA is a community-based, open-membership club organized to provide public recreational and competitive rowing programs for

adults and teens.

4. In accordance with K.C.C. 4.56.150.E. and Ordinance 14509, the SRA proposes to invest approximately \$3.5 million dollars in the design, permitting and construction of a new boathouse to replace the existing one at Marymoor park. In exchange, the parks and recreation division of the department of natural resources and parks proposes to provide SRA with a Community Partnership Grant of \$410,000 towards the capital costs to construct the boathouse. SRA would be solely responsible for all other funding needed to design and construct the boathouse and associated improvements.

5. In addition, SRA will cover all maintenance and operations costs of the new boathouse for thirty years and will provide rowing programs for its members and for the public.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. The council hereby authorizes the King County executive to sign a thirty-year use agreement with the Sammamish Rowing Association for the construction, operation, maintenance and use of a new boathouse at Marymoor park, substantially in the same form as Attachment A to this ordinance.