

Legislation Text

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## **CITY OF SEATTLE**

ORDINANCE

COUNCIL BILL

AN ORDINANCE relating to the operation and maintenance of a new regional 800 MHz emergency public safety radio communication system; authorizing the Chief Technology Officer of the Seattle Information Technology Department to execute for and on behalf of The City of Seattle an interlocal agreement between The City of Seattle, King County, and the Cities of Auburn, Bellevue, Federal Way, Issaquah, Kent, Kirkland, Mercer Island, Redmond, Renton, and Tukwila for the purpose of creating a non-profit corporation, as provided under RCW 39.34.030, to own, operate, and maintain the regional emergency radio communication system that is being installed and developed under a separate interlocal agreement authorized by Ordinance 124685.

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle owns, operates, and maintains its existing emergency radio communication

system in cooperation with other jurisdictions within King County under the Emergency Radio

Communication System Interlocal Cooperation Agreement authorized by Ordinance 116797; and

WHEREAS, the existing countywide radio system is more than 20 years old and unsupported by the supplier

of the system's equipment, software, and repairs; and

WHEREAS, elected officials and representatives from The City of Seattle, King County, and the Cities of

Auburn, Bellevue, Federal Way, Issaquah, Kent, Kirkland, Mercer Island, Redmond, Renton, and

Tukwila (the "Parties") have been working collaboratively since 2012 to procure and implement a new

emergency radio communication system, referred to as the "Puget Sound Emergency Radio Network

System" or "PSERN System;" and

WHEREAS, the Parties entered into the Puget Sound Emergency Radio Network Implementation Period Interlocal Cooperation Agreement, authorized by Ordinance 124685, that designates King County as the lead agency for planning, financing, procuring, and implementing the PSERN System and establishes a Joint Board to oversee implementation; and

- WHEREAS, the Parties also entered into a Memorandum of Agreement Regarding Future Operation of the Puget Sound Emergency Radio Network, authorized by Ordinance 124687, that formalized commitment to negotiating an agreement to create a non-profit corporation under RCW 39.34.030 that will operate and maintain the future regional emergency radio communication system; and
- WHEREAS, the electorate of King County approved a measure to fund implementation of the PSERN System in April 2015; and
- WHEREAS, implementation of the PSERN System is progressing, with full system acceptance expected in 2023; and
- WHEREAS, the Parties have negotiated a separate agreement titled the Puget Sound Emergency Radio Network Operator Interlocal Cooperation Agreement ("Agreement") that creates a new separate government agency (the "PSERN Operator") under RCW 39.34.030(3)(b) that is organized as a nonprofit corporation under chapter 24.06 RCW; and
- WHEREAS, the Agreement provides that the PSERN Operator will assume ownership and control of the PSERN System following full system acceptance, establishes a Board of Directors and governance for the PSERN Operator, and establishes terms by which the PSERN Operator will own, manage, operate, and maintain the PSERN System throughout its useful life; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to chapter 39.34 RCW, the Interlocal Corporation Act, any two or more public agencies may enter into agreements with one another for joint or cooperative action, provided that the agreements are authorized by their governing bodies; NOW, THEREFORE,

## BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Chief Technology Officer of the Seattle Information Technology Department (CTO), or the CTO's designee, is authorized to execute for and on behalf of The City of Seattle an interlocal agreement substantially in the form of the Puget Sound Emergency Radio Network Operator Interlocal Cooperation

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Agreement by and among King County and the Cities of Auburn, Bellevue, Federal Way, Issaquah, Kent, Kirkland, Mercer Island, Redmond, Renton, Seattle, and Tukwila, attached to this ordinance as Attachment 1, with such minor additions, deletions, or modifications as the CTO deems necessary or advisable in order to carry out the intent of this ordinance.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

Passed by the City Council the _	day of		, 2020, and signed by
me in open session in authentication of	its passage this	day of	, 2020.

President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

Approved by me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

Jenny A. Durkan, Mayor

Filed by me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

Attachments:

Attachment 1 - Puget Sound Emergency Radio Network Operator Interlocal Cooperation Agreement