



Legislation Text

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CITY OF SEATTLE

ORDINANCE _____

COUNCIL BILL _____

AN ORDINANCE relating to the City Light Department; authorizing a 15-year agreement with Whatcom County providing for payments for general and emergency law enforcement and other governmental services provided by Whatcom County to the City's Skagit Hydroelectric Project generation facilities and residents of Newhalem and Diablo; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

WHEREAS, RCW 35.21.420 authorizes cities owning and operating public utilities having facilities for the generation of electricity located in the counties other than that in which such cities are located to provide for the peace, health, safety and welfare of such county as concerns the utility facilities and the personnel employed in connection therewith, and to enter into contracts with such counties therefor; and

WHEREAS, the City's Skagit Hydroelectric Project generating facilities and the towns of Diablo and Newhalem are located in Whatcom County; and

WHEREAS, the City and the County previously entered into a 15-year agreement, pursuant to RCW 35.21.420, that expires on December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the City and the County have negotiated terms and conditions for a new agreement; NOW,

THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The CEO and General Manager for the City Light Department is authorized for and on behalf of The City of Seattle to execute and deliver a 15-year agreement with Whatcom County, substantially in the form of the Impact Payment Agreement attached to this ordinance as Attachment A (the "Agreement") with such changes as the CEO and General Manager may deem appropriate and are consistent with this ordinance.

The Agreement is for the support of general and emergency law enforcement and other governmental services provided by Whatcom County to the city's Skagit Hydroelectric Project facilities and the residents of Newhalem and Diablo, all as authorized by RCW 35.21.420. The Agreement is subject to termination by either party upon one-year written notice.

Section 2. Any act consistent with the authority of this ordinance taken after its passage and prior to its effective date is ratified and confirmed.

Section 3. 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 _____, 2023, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this _____ day of _____, 2023.

President _____ of the City Council

Approved/ returned unsigned / vetoed this _____ day of _____, 2023.

Bruce A. Harrell, Mayor

Filed by me this _____ day of _____, 2023.

Scheereen Dedman, City Clerk

(Seal)

Attachments:

Attachment A - Impact Payment Agreement