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TO: Mayor Robinson and City Councilmembers

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SUBJECT: Intergovernmental Affairs Monthly Update

## **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

Included in this packet is a selected group of reports from the City's work with other levels of government on City business. They include updates from the state, federal, and regional levels. Staff are always available to follow up to discuss any matters in greater detail.

## **LEGISLATIVE STATUS REPORTS**

**State Legislative Session Update:** Staff has provided a written summary of recent state legislative activities, including a summary of relevant interim legislative committee meetings and hot topics developing for the upcoming 60-day session. It also includes a preview of the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) conversations to set statewide legislative priorities for the 2024 state legislative session. Staff are developing a draft 2024 state legislative agenda for the City Council to discuss and consider in October.

**Federal Legislative Update:** Staff has provided a written summary of recent activities of the Congress and the Biden Administration. A possible government shutdown looms large on October 1 if Congress does not adopt new federal budgets by then. There are ways to mitigate that possibility, but if a shutdown does happen, it will have implications for some federal resources for the City, including potential funding through federal grants and earmarks.

## **STAFF REPORTS / INFORMATION ITEMS**

**Monthly Council Summary Background Briefings:** Included are updated summary background briefings on the King County Regional Committees and those of the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC).