

DATE: October 23, 2017

TO: Mayor Stokes and City Councilmembers

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SUBJECT: Regional Issues Committee Items October 23, 2017

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

Briefing on the King County Land Conservation and Preservation Initiative: King County staff will provide an update on King County's Land Conservation and Preservation Initiative. The Initiative has identified high value conservation lands, outlined potential acquisition costs and revenue sources, and established an Advisory Committee to review and make recommendations to the King County Executive and the King County Council. The Advisory Committee completed Phase 1 of its work at the end of 2016 and was reconvened in September with a charge to complete its work by the end of November 2017. Mayor Stokes is representing Bellevue in Phase 2. One potential outcome of Phase 2 could be a recommendation to place a countywide levy on the November 2018 ballot to raise the revenue to acquire the identified lands. The briefing is an opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback to King County staff as well as to provide direction for Bellevue's participation on the Advisory Committee.

Action on the King County Amended & Restated Solid Waste Interlocal Agreement (ILA). Staff is seeking Council direction to authorize the City Manager to sign the King County Amended and Restated Solid Waste ILA. Bellevue's current Solid Waste ILA with King County for solid waste transfer and disposal services became effective in 1988 and remains in effect until June 30, 2028. In 2013, Bellevue did not sign King County's Amended and Restated Solid Waste ILA, which would have replaced the 1988 agreement with a new agreement and extended the termination date from 2028 to 2040. Several significant changes have occurred in the regional system since 2013, and King County has expressed interest in Bellevue remaining a part of the regional system until 2040.

LEGISLATIVE STATUS REPORTS

State Legislative Update: Staff has provided a written update on activities occurring at the state level during the interim in preparation for the 2018 session of the State Legislature.

Federal Legislative Update: Staff has provided a written legislative update on recent activities at the federal level covering Congress and the Administration.

STAFF REPORTS / INFORMATION ITEMS

Monthly Council Summary Background Briefings: Included are updated Council summary background briefings on the King County Regional Committees (RPC, RTC, and RWQC), the King County Regional Affordable Housing Task Force and the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) Committees.