Introduced by: Ruby Chow, Lois North

Proposed No. 82-185

MOTION NO. ___5460

A MOTION approving the revised interlocal agreement which governs the Seattle-King County Area Agency on Aging.

WHEREAS, King County, the City of Seattle, and United Way entered into an interlocal agreement in 1973 to establish an Area Agency on Aging, and

WHEREAS, the County Executive, at the request of the County Council, initiated negotiations to revise the interlocal agreement in order to address concerns related to King County's role in the Area Agency on Aging, and

WHEREAS, the County Council, after reviewing the revised interlocal agreement as transmitted by the County Executive, finds that the agreement as revised is satisfactory;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

The revised interlocal agreement with the City of Seattle for an Area Agency on Aging is hereby approved by King County. The County Executive is hereby requested to sign the interlocal agreement as the official representative of King County.

Chairman North

ATTEST:

DEPUTY Clerk of the Council

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The parties to this Interlocal Agreement: the City of Seattle, King County, and the United Way of King County (to be known throughout this Agreement as the Sponsoring Bodies), hereby mutually agree that the Seattle-King County Division on Aging, Department of Human Resources of the City of Seattle (to be known throughout this Agreement as the Division on Aging) is the designated Area Agency on Aging for the Seattle-King County Planning and Service Area (PSA), pursuant to Title III of the Older Americans Act of 1965, as amended.

This Agreement sets forth: the roles and responsibilities of the Sponsors; the Sponsoring Bodies; the roles and responsibilities of the Sponsors; the roles and responsibilities of the City of Seattle Department of Human Resources; the functions, roles, and responsibilities of the Division on Aging; the roles and responsibilities of the Liaison Staff; the roles and responsibilities of the Advisory Council; methods for resolving disputes under this Agreement, and the process for selection of the Director of the Division on Aging.

Section I: Roles and Responsibilities of the Sponsoring Bodies

- A. Each Sponsoring Body shall designate an individual to represent its policy interest and to carry out its responsibilities with respect to the Division on Aging. These representatives of the Sponsoring Bodies shall be known as the Sponsors.
- B. Each Sponsoring Body shall annually review and approve the threeyear Area Plan for a comprehensive and coordinated system of services within the PSA, and annual amendments to the Area Plan. If one or more of the Sponsoring Bodies does not approve all or a portion of the Plan, the dispute resolution process outlined in Section VII of this Interlocal Agreement will be followed.
- C. Each Sponsoring Body shall appoint nine (9) members to the Seattle-King County Advisory Council on Aging, including, for the City of Seattle and King County, one (1) locally-elected official. Each member so appointed shall serve for a term of two years. All terms shall begin on May 1st and no member shall be appointed to more than three consecutive terms.

Section II: Roles and Responsibilities of the Sponsors

It shall be the responsiblity of the Sponsors to:

A. Assign a staff member to represent their interests with respect to day-to-day Division on Aging implementation of policies and plans. These staff members, shall be known thoroughout this Agreement as the Liaison Staff.

- B. Meet monthly to discuss and determine plans and policies of the Division on Aging. The Sponsors shall act as a Policy Board with respect to the functions set forth in this Agreement.
- C. Review and endorse the three-year Area Plan for a comprehensive and coordinated system of services within the PSA, and annual amendments to the Area Plan. Upon endorsement of the Plan by at least two of the three Sponsors, the Plan shall be forwarded to the State Bureau of Aging as a preliminary submission, pending review and approval by the Sponsoring Bodies.
- D. Annually review and approve the Division on Aging's allocations process.
- E. Annually review and endorse the Division on Aging's allocations for services.
- F. Annually obtain the review and approval by the Sponsoring Bodies of the Area Plan and its amendments, including the Division on Aging's proposed budget.
- G. Review and approve all policies and plans developed by the Division on Aging pursuant to the approved Area Plan.
- H. Participate in the selection process for the Director of the Division on Aging as outlined in Exhibit I of this Agreement.

Section III: Roles and Responsibilities of the City of Seattle Department of Human Resources

In addition to the City of Seattle's role as a Sponsor of the Division on Aging as outlined in Section II of this Agreement, it shall be the responsibility of the City of Seattle Department of Human Resources to:

- A. Exercise administrative authority to receive and disburse funds necessary for the implementation of the Area Plan, consistent with the Charter, ordinances, and policies of the City of Seattle.
- B. Assure that all appropriate Federal and State laws and regulations are followed by the Division on Aging in the administration of the Area Plan and related activities.
- C. Sign contracts with service providers to deliver the services specified in the Area Plan and its amendments.
- D. Fill all vacant positions in the Division on Aging.
- E. Consult with the Advisory Council and Liaison Staff on appointments to professional positions.
- F. Hire the Director of the Division on Aging as outlined in Exhibit I of this Agreement.

Section IV: Functions, Roles, and Responsibilities of the Division on Aging

It shall be the responsibility of the Division on Aging to:

- A. Develop and implement a comprehensive Area Plan for the Seattle-King County Planning and Service Area.
- B. Serve as an advocate body on behalf of all the elderly in King County.
- C. Provide staff support for the coordination of all Sponsors' decisions on policies and plans; for the coordination, monitoring, and evaluation of Liaison Staff functions; and for the coordination of the work of the Advisory Council and its committees.

- D. Develop and implement annually a process for the allocation of all available resources which: (1) identifies priority clients and services, (2) proposes service levels in response to the identified priorities, and (3) assures equitable distribution of services to priority clients residing in the City of Seattle and the balance of King County. The timetable for the allocations process shall include time for the Sponsors to seek comment by their respective Sponsoring Bodies prior to initiation of agency bidding or contract negotiations.
- E. Provide administrative funds to support the activities of the Liaison Staff at a level to be determined annually by the Sponsors.
- F. Develop contracts for the purchase of services under the Area Plan which contain performance standards related to the equitable distribution of services to priority clients residing in the City of Seattle and the balance of King County.
- G. Evaluate and monitor activities carried out pursuant to the Area Plan and report the results of the evaluation and monitoring to the Advisory Council and the Sponsors.
- H. Plan and coordinate the development of services for the elderly in consultation with policymakers and providers in the Seattle-King County PSA.
- I. Assure that community opinion about the needs of the elderly is a part of the development of all its plans and policies.
- J. Give special consideration in the development of all its plans and programs to the needs of those elderly persons residing in the PSA who have the greatest social and economic needs.

Section V: Roles and Responsibilities of the Liaison Staff

It shall be the responsiblity of the Liaison Staff to:

- A. Provide staff support to their respective Sponsor to facilitate that Sponsor's review of Division on Aging plans, policies, and allocations for the purchase of service under the Area Plan.
- B. Provide staff support to their respective Sponsor and Sponsoring Body in order to obtain approval of the Division on Aging three-year Area Plan and its annual amendments by the Sponsoring Body.
- C. Represent the interests of their respective Sponsor and Sponsoring Body with respect to day-to-day implementation of Division on Aging policies and plans by staffing and/or attending Division on Aging-sponsored meetings, by developing materials for the Division on Aging's allocations process, and by reviewing and rating proposals for services to be provided under the Area Plan.
- D. Perform other duties as specified in the annual contract with the Division on Aging for the purchase of Liaison Staff services.

Section VI: Roles and Responsibilities of the Seattle-King County Advisory Council on Aging

Pursuant to Title III of the Older Americans Act of 1965, as amended, this Interlocal Agreement establishes the Seattle-King County Advisory Council on Aging as the advisory council for the Division on Aging. It shall be the responsibility of the Advisory Council to:

A. Advise the Division on Aging about the needs of all older persons who reside within the PSA, especially those with the greatest social and economic need.

- B. Advise the Division on Aging to develop and administer the Area Plan based upon such needs and the priorities set by the community.
- C. Advise the Division on Aging in the development of the Area Plan by:
 - reviewing and commenting on the Division's processes for assessing community needs, establishing priorities for service, assuring citizen participation, and allocating funds;
 - (2) reviewing and commenting on the Area Plan, including the annual goals, objectives and budget; and
 - (3) sponsoring the official Area Plan public hearing.
- D. Advise the Division on Aging in its administration of programs under the Area Plan by:
 - reviewing and commenting on service standards for programs;
 - (2) assisting in the assessment and evaluaton of programs; and
 - (3) assisting the Director of the Division in the appointment process for professional positions.
- E. Advise the Division on Aging in its review and comment on all community policies, programs, and actions which affect the elderly.
- F. Serve as an advocate body on behalf of all the elderly who reside within the PSA by sponsoring and conducting public hearings, conferences, and other meetings designed to obtain and publicize information related to the problems, needs, accomplishments, and interests of the elderly.
- G. Provide two representatives to attend Sponsors' meetings. One of these representatives shall be the Chairman of the Advisory Council and the other shall be appointed by the Chairman.

Section VII: Method for Resolving Disputes Under This Agreement

Disputes arising under this Agreement shall be resolved by a vote of the Sponsors to be taken at their next regular meeting, or a special meeting called for that purpose. This meeting shall occur after consultation by the Sponsor with his or her Sponsoring Body. This meeting shall be open to representatives of the Sponsoring Bodies and members of the Advisory Council. Time shall be allotted to hear their views on the matter in dispute.

Exhibit I: The following process will be used for the selection and hiring of the Director of the Division on Aging:

- (A) Each Sponsor will name a representative to serve on a Screening Committee;
- (B) The Advisory Council will name two representatives to serve on a Screening Committee;
- (C) The Screening Committee will review the position description and develop resume selection criteria consistent with the position description;
- (D) The Screening Committee will review resumes and select fifteen candidates for an oral interview;
- (E) The Screening Committee will recommend five finalists to be interviewed by the Sponsors;

- (F) The Sponsors will interview the five finalists and make recommendations to the Director of the Department of Human Resources, City of Seattle, on the final candidates;
- (G) The Director of the Department of Human Resources will select a single finalist from among the five finalists. This individual will be hired, subject to the approval of the Mayor of the City of Seattle.

This agreement shall take effect upon the date of its execution given below, and shall be in continuous effect or until termination of the agreement as herein provided.	
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this agreement is executed by the chief executive office of the parties hereto, listed below, and shall have full force and effect frank and after, subject to the termination provisions contain herein.	om
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Mayor, City of Seattle Ling County Executive	<u> </u>
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