

ORDINANCE NO. 5093

AN ORDINANCE approving the City of Kent Water System Plan.

PREAMBLE:

On November 19, 1979, the City of Kent passed Resolution No. 879 adopting the Kent Water System Plan.

On September 10, 1979, the City of Kent filed a Declaration of Non-Significance for the proposed plan.

As required by KCC Chapter 13.24, the Utilities Technical Review Committee reviewed the Kent Water System Plan and on March 26, 1980 recommended its approval after making the following findings:

1) The City of Kent's water system was inadequate to serve existing customers and new development in unincorporated King County because of deficient pumping, transmission and source capacity.

2) The Kent City Council on February 19, 1980 adopted a policy prohibiting new connections to their water system in unincorporated King County until there is "...sufficient water to meet the needs of all water customers..."

3) The Director of Public Works for the City of Kent has stated to the UTRC that sufficient water as defined by the Kent City Council probably will not be available until at least 1982.

4) Because of the integral relationship between the Kent Water System and the King County Water District 111 system, the inadequacies of the City of Kent System also exist within Water District 111.

5) The improvements and increases in water supply proposed by the Kent Water System Plan are necessary to reduce the present inadequacies of the system and are necessary to provide for long-term water supplies adequate to support development of the East Hill of Kent consistent with the Soos Creek Communities Plan and other adopted County Plans and Policies.

6) According to the Public Works Director of the City of Kent, the City does not know how the major improvements proposed by the Water System Plan will be financed.

7) The City of Kent is presently developing a new well on the East Hill of Kent which will reduce the inadequacies of the water system.

8) The City of Kent is actively searching for additional sources of water not described in the Water System Plan in a consortium with Water District 111 and Water District 105. King County is strongly supporting this search.

9) Approval of the Kent Water System Plan will assist the City in making the improvements necessary to provide adequate water service to unincorporated King County.

1 10) The Utilities Technical Review Committee should constantly
2 monitor developments related to the adequacy of the Kent Water
3 System and should report to the County Council when and if the
4 Kent Water System becomes adequate to serve additional development
5 in unincorporated King County. Until an adequate water system is
6 assured, new subdivisions, short subdivisions, planned unit
7 developments and other major developments should not be approved
8 within the water service area of the City of Kent and Water
9 District 111 on the East Hill of Kent.

10 11) Since the UTRC met and made their findings on March 26,
11 1980, there have been additions to the Kent Water System which may
12 result in adequate service to Water District 111 and portions of
13 the East Hill area at this time.

14 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

15 SECTION 1. The Water Supply System Plan of the City of Kent
16 (attached) is hereby approved. The findings of the Utilities Technical
17 Review Committee (above) are hereby incorporated by reference. The County
18 encourages the City of Kent's efforts to develop adequate water capacity for
19 all existing and potential customers within its service area consistent
20 with County land use plans and policies.

21 SECTION 2. The UTRC shall submit to the County Council a quarterly
22 report on the efforts and progress of the City of Kent in developing the
23 necessary improvements and capacity to provide water to all existing and
24 potential customers within the city's service area and Water District 111.
25 These reports should include information on any further policy or admini-
26 strative actions the city might take to alleviate the water supply problem.
27 The UTRC shall make recommendations for further actions to the County
28 Council if the City of Kent is not able to provide adequate water service
29 by December 31, 1982.

30 SECTION 3. The Utilities Coordinator, the Health Department and
31 other appropriate County officials shall meet with the City of Kent Public
32 Works Department to determine what recommendations can be made to provide
33 for a more appropriate application of the city's policies regarding
discontinuing service from the transmission line and outside of city water

1 service requests as it applies to unincorporated King County. These
2 recommendations should consider public health and safety needs as well as
3 the recent additions to the Kent water system which may result in adequate
4 water for Water District 111 and related portions of East Hill.

5 INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 19th day of
6 May, 1980.

7 PASSED this 15th day of September, 1980.

8 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
9 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

10 Bill Reams
11 Chairman

12 ATTEST:

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14 Joan M. Owens DEPUTY
15 Clerk of the Council

16 APPROVED this 22d day of September, 1980.

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18 [Signature]
19 King County Executive