

KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

July 12, 2005

Ordinance 15234

Proposed No. 2005-0049.2

Sponsors Lambert

1	AN ORDINANCE approving the City of Snoqualmie
2	Water System Plan.
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5	PREAMBLE:
6	K.C.C. chapter 13.24 requires approval of comprehensive plans for water
7	utilities as a prerequisite for granting right-of-way franchises and approval
8	of right-of-way construction permits.
9	The city of Snoqualmie currently provides water service to over five
10	thousand three hundred residents and one thousand two hundred
11	employees in the city and in urban and rural unincorporated areas.
12	The city obtains its water from a spring and three wells. The water from
13	the wells is chlorinated prior to use; the spring supply is currently being
14	evaluated for chlorination. The average annual water demand is currently
15	five hundred sixty thousand gallons per day. The demand is projected to
16	increase to almost two million gallons per day by 2020 when the
17	Snoqualmie Ridge development is completed.

18	The city's current water rate structure does not appear to support
19	conservation as it is a flat rate structure. The utilities technical review
20	committee ("UTRC") recommends that additional information concerning
21	the city's water rate be obtained after approval of this plan and prior to the
22	city's next scheduled water system plan.
23	The UTRC reviewed and conditionally approved the plan on December
24	10, 2003. The conditions of approval have been met in the plan copies
25	attached to this ordinance. The UTRC recommends that the council
26	approve the plan.
27	A determination of nonsignificance for the plan was issued by the city in
28	accordance with the state Environmental Policy Act. The Washington
29	state Department of Health has approved the plan.
30	BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:
31	SECTION 1. The City of Snoqualmie Water System Plan, Attachment A to this
32	ordinance, is hereby approved.
33	SECTION 2. The city of Snoqualmie shall conduct a water conservation rate
34	study to evaluate whether its existing water rate structure could be modified to provide
35	economic incentives to conserve water while preserving the ability of the city to generate
36	revenues needed to meet its projected expenditures. The study shall be completed by
37	December 31, 2006, and provided to the King County utilities technical review

committee for evaluation. The utilities technical review committee shall notify the executive and council of its findings regarding the city's rate study.

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Ordinance 15234 was introduced on 2/7/2005 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 7/11/2005, by the following vote:

Yes: 11 - Mr. Phillips, Ms. Edmonds, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Pelz, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Hammond, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Hague, Ms. Patterson and Mr. Constantine

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Excused: 2 - Ms. Lambert and Mr. Irons

KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHING TO

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ATTEST:

Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this $\frac{20}{20}$ day of

Ron Sims, County Executive

Attachments A. City of Snoqualmie Water System Plan