

RESOLUTION NO.

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7-7-67 Hold - No Action yet.

CANCELLED

A Resolution of the City of Kirkland, Washington, relating to the Comprehensive Sewer Plan adopted by King County Water District No. 81 by its Resolution No. 187 passed March 1, 1967.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of King County Water District No. 81 by its Resolution No. 187 passed March 1, 1967, adopted a comprehensive sewer plan for serving certain territory therein described with sanitary sewerage systems, and

WHEREAS, portions of the territory proposed to be served lie within the corporate limits of the City of Kirkland, within areas presently subject to annexation proceedings to the City of Kirkland, within unincorporated areas presently served by the City of Kirkland sewerage system and within three miles of the city limits of Kirkland; and the boundaries of said district lie partly within said city limits; and the board of commissioners as required by law has forwarded its comprehensive sewer plan to the City of Kirkland for its approval or disapproval, and

WHEREAS, the City Council has examined and has given due consideration to said comprehensive plan, together with the planning report prepared by the engineers of the district,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City of Kirkland generally disapproves the formation of special districts or the enlargement of the powers of an existing district to render services which may readily be provided by the City within its jurisdiction or within areas adjacent to the City and within its service area. The City of Kirkland owns and operates a municipal sanitary sewerage system and has the ability to render sanitary sewerage service within its boundaries and adjacent service areas without unnecessary duplication of such facilities. The City particularly takes exception to the following statement of the engineers of the district contained in its planning report to the district:

"Such a resolution when finally passed and approved by the responsible health department agencies will then deter other cities and districts from encroaching upon District 81's present limits. As you are well aware, there has been a tendency lately by cities and sewer districts to expand their limits, and often without the full cooperation and approval of

the present water users. This has been especially true since the construction of the Metro trunk sewer into this area."

The City further takes exception to the portion of the proposal and comprehensive plan providing for acquisition of existing City of Kirkland facilities within the area adjacent to Lake Washington High School. The comprehensive plan for said district and the engineer's planning report are not in keeping with the purpose of special service districts to provide service during an interim period until such service can be rendered by local government providing a full range of municipal services. As this area becomes more urban, there should be cooperation between governmental agencies and a phasing out of special districts formed to provide interim service as provided by the state legislature in RCW 35.13.220, 243, 246, 247, 248 and 250.

Section 2. The City does not approve any part of the comprehensive plan of the district where such plan provides for sanitary sewerage service within the corporate limits of the City of Kirkland within areas presently subject to annexation proceedings to the City of Kirkland, within unincorporated areas presently served by the City of Kirkland, or within three miles thereof in adjacent areas which may be served by gravity sewers to the existing or proposed sanitary sewerage system of the City. The City has the capability to provide the full range of municipal services to properties within the boundaries and adjacent service area, including water, sanitary sewers, storm sewers, police and fire protection and other governmental services which it is empowered to serve.

Section 3. The City does approve the remainder of the comprehensive plan of the district, provided that provision is made in any bond financing, contracts, easements, and other undertakings of the district for the assumption by the City of the district's responsibilities, property, facilities and equipment within any area annexed to the City as provided by RCW 35.13.243 and 246, including the pro-rata assumption of any bonded indebtedness of the district by the City incurred for the payment of facilities owned and installed by the district within such annexed territory; provided further, that within six months from the effective date of any ordinance passed by the City pursuant to RCW 35.13.243 and 246,

the district will make an election between (a),(b) and (c) of subdivision (2) of RCW 35.13.243 and transfer such properties, facilities, equipment and responsibilities to the City, including the responsibility for fixing rates and collecting charges within the annexed territory.

ADOPTED by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in regular meeting on the _____ day of June, 1967.

CITY OF KIRKLAND

Mayor

ATTEST:

Director of Administration and
Finance, ex-officio City Clerk