



Memorandum

Date: 2/3/2026
Meeting of: City Council

File No. AM No. 26-017
Type: Consent Item

TO: Members of the City Council
FROM: Mayor Angela Birney
DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR CONTACT(S):

Police	Chief Darrell Lowe	425-556-2521
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DEPARTMENT STAFF:

Police	Brian Coats	Deputy Chief
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TITLE:

Approval of the King County Independent Force Investigations Team (IFIT-KC) Interlocal Agreement Modification

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

Police staff are requesting Council authorization to approve modifications to the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) that governs mutual-aid investigative support among King County law enforcement agencies. IFIT-KC conducts independent investigations involving officer use of lethal force or incidents resulting in serious bodily injury.

☐ **Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached**

REQUESTED ACTION:

☐ **Receive Information** ☐ **Provide Direction** ☒ **Approve**

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**
N/A
- **Required:**
Council approval is required for interlocal agreements.
- **Council Request:**
N/A
- **Other Key Facts:**
N/A

OUTCOMES:

The proposed modifications to the Interlocal Agreement will strengthen the regional independent investigation framework by formally adding the Seattle Police Department as a member agency and clarifying that IFIT-KC will conduct only those independent investigations required by statute, including incidents occurring in jurisdictions that operate

their own jails.

The revisions also establish clearer authority for the IFIT-KC commander to control the scene and determine oversight-agency access once an investigation is initiated. These updates improve consistency, reinforce statutory compliance, and enhance operational clarity for all participating agencies.

COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**
N/A
- **Outreach Methods and Results:**
N/A
- **Feedback Summary:**
N/A

BUDGET IMPACT:

Total Cost:
N/A

Approved in current biennial budget: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

Budget Offer Number:
228

Budget Priority:
Safe and Resilient

Other budget impacts or additional costs: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

If yes, explain:
N/A

Funding source(s):
General Fund

Budget/Funding Constraints:
N/A

☐ **Additional budget details attached**

COUNCIL REVIEW:

Previous Contact(s)

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Proposed Upcoming Contact(s)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
N/A	None proposed at this time	N/A

Time Constraints:

N/A

ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:

As a member agency, Redmond would not be able to execute revisions to the Interlocal Agreement.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A: Original IFIT-KC Interlocal Agreement, March 2021

Attachment B: Modified IFIT-KC Interlocal Agreement, December 2025