



Memorandum

Date: 9/16/2025
Meeting of: City Council

File No. AM No. 25-140
Type: Consent Item

TO: Members of the City Council
FROM: Mayor Angela Birney
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TITLE:

Approval of the King County District Court ILA Amendment

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

The City contracts with King County District Court for the provision of District Court services. Council approval of the amendment would add the cost of probation services for active supervision to the contract, in support of King County receiving full cost recovery for the services they provide.

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

REQUESTED ACTION:

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

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**
King County District Court ILA with City of Redmond
- **Required:**
RCW 39.34.180 local duty to handle misdemeanor and gross misdemeanor offenses
- **Council Request:**
N/A
- **Other Key Facts:**
The City of Redmond contracts with King County District Court (KCDC) to provide local court services. The amount of the contract is based on the cost to King County of providing the services minus revenue brought in by filing fees; Redmond is charged based on the percentage of cases it has out of all cities contracting with KCDC. KCDC has not historically charged for the cost of providing probation services and now seeks to recover those costs.

ILA Amendment Effect - This ILA amendment adds the court staffing costs of handling active supervision

probation cases, including associated supervisory costs; it does not charge the City any additional facility or security costs or probation compliance monitoring costs. Exhibit A to the ILA amendment contains the formulas that would be applied annually; the case numbers use the last available year's data for illustration purposes.

Estimated Cost Impact - KCDC would begin including probation case data in its cost model in 2026. Cities are billed the following year (starting in 2027). As of February 2025, Redmond had 99 active probation cases (15% of 650 total probation cases among cities contracting with KCDC). This translates to approximately \$135,000 annual expected costs of probation.

OUTCOMES:

King County District Court provides active supervision for probation cases in Redmond. This amendment would have Redmond reimburse KCDC for the cost of service.

COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**
King County seeks city approvals by end of September 2025.
- **Outreach Methods and Results:**
N/A
- **Feedback Summary:**
N/A

BUDGET IMPACT:

Total Cost:

Roughly \$135,000 annually beginning in 2027, depending on active probation caseload

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

Budget Offer Number:

N/A

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)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
9/9/2025	Committee of the Whole - Finance, Administration, and Communications	Provide Direction

Proposed Upcoming Contact(s)

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

Time Constraints:

King County District Court requests City approval of the proposed amendment in order to begin including probation costs in the cost model for 2026. The City would be billed for 2026 costs in 2027.

ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:

Redmond would need to find alternative means of providing probation services, which does not appear cost effective at this time.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A: KCDC ILA Amendment with Exhibit A