

RESOLUTION NO. M-2629

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON,
APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF OLYMPIA AND
THURSTON COUNTY ESTABLISHING DISTRICT COURT FILING AND JURY TRIAL FEES FOR
THE CITY OF OLYMPIA**

WHEREAS, RCW 39.34.010 permits local governmental units to make the most efficient use of their powers by enabling them to cooperate with other localities on a basis of mutual advantage and thereby to provide services and facilities in a manner and pursuant to forms of governmental organization that will accord best with geographic, economic, population and other factors influencing the needs and development of local communities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 39.34.080, each party is authorized to contract with any one or more other public agencies to perform any governmental service, activity, or undertaking which each public agency entering into the contract is authorized by law to perform: provided, that such contract shall be authorized by the governing body of each party to the contract and shall set forth its purposes, powers, rights, objectives and responsibilities of the contracting parties; and

WHEREAS, the CITY's Reimagining Public Safety Goals, accepted by the City Council in December 2022, shaped the development of this Interlocal Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the CITY and COUNTY are committed to reimagining public safety by balancing compassion and accountability through the expansion of restorative justice programs and evidence-based courts; and

WHEREAS, the CITY and COUNTY desire to ensure that court services, case proceedings and court operations are delivered as consistently and efficiently as possible across all courts; and

WHEREAS, the CITY and COUNTY desire to work together to provide an accessible forum for the fair, efficient, and consistent resolution of cases; and

WHEREAS, CITY resources face both short-term and long-term fiscal constraints and transitioning judicial services to the COUNTY can provide a regional approach which is efficient and effective; and

WHEREAS, filing fees are to be determined pursuant to an Agreement between the CITY and the COUNTY as provided for in Chapter 39.34 RCW, the Interlocal Cooperation Act; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY and the CITY are desirous of establishing filing and other fees at a mutually acceptable rate; and

WHEREAS, the CITY and the COUNTY also wish to provide progressive alternatives and community support through opportunities such as pre-trial and probation services.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL DOES HEREBY RESOLVE as follows:

1. The Olympia City Council hereby approves the form of Interlocal Agreement between the City of Olympia and Thurston County Establishing Court Filing and Jury Trial Fees for the City of Olympia, and the terms and conditions contained therein.
2. The City Manager or designee is authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the City of Olympia the Interlocal Agreement, and any other documents necessary to execute said Agreement, and to make any amendments or minor modifications as may be required and are consistent with the intent of the Agreement, or to correct any scrivener's errors.

PASSED BY THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL this 8th day of July 2025.


MAYOR

ATTEST:

Sean Krier
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Mark Barber
CITY ATTORNEY