

RESOLUTION NO. M-2696

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OLYMPIA WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH SOUTH SOUND GREEN BETWEEN THURSTON COUNTY, THE CITIES OF LACEY AND TUMWATER, AND THE THURSTON CONSERVATION DISTRICT TO PROVIDE SCHOOL-AGE STORMWATER EDUCATION

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 must be authorized by the governing body of each party to the contract and must set forth its purposes, powers, rights, objectives, and responsibilities of the contracting parties; and

WHEREAS, The City of Olympia's Storm and Surface Water Utility has a regulatory responsibility to provide education to the general public, including school-aged children, on the impacts of stormwater on surface waters; and

WHEREAS, the Cities of Lacey, Olympia, Tumwater, and Thurston County and the Thurston Conservation District, have determined that providing stormwater and watershed-education through local partnerships offers a cost-effective method to deliver high quality educational programs; and

WHEREAS, South Sound Green provides educational opportunities for school aged children and training for teachers to become involved in stewardship activities that protect local waterways and improve compliance with regulations; and

WHEREAS, South Sound Green has a proven record of administering an effective watershed - education program for grades 4-12 and has the necessary expertise, knowledge, training, and skills, and the necessary licenses and/or certification to perform the duties set forth in the Contract; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of services provided by South Sound Green the City will provide funding in the amount of \$19,656 in the first year, increasing five percent each year of the contract thereafter; and

WHEREAS, the term of the Contract will commence upon the approval of the Cities of Lacey, Olympia, Tumwater, and Thurston County and Thurston Conservation District respective governing bodies and will continue in effect until December 31, 2030, unless extended by mutual agreement of the Parties, or terminated, pursuant to the Contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES as follows:

1. The Olympia City Council hereby approves the resolution authorizing an Intergovernmental Services Contract with South Sound Green between Thurston County, the Cities of Lacey and Tumwater and the Thurston Conservation District to provide school-age stormwater education.
2. The City Manager is authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the City of Olympia the Interlocal Services Contract, 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 Contract, and to correct any scrivener's errors.

PASSED BY THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL this 24th day of February 2026.



MAYOR

ATTEST:



CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



SENIOR DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY