

# **City Council**

# Approve an Interlocal Agreement between LOTT Partner Jurisdictions for Emergency Response Mutual Aid.

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#### Issue

There is a need for a formal agreement between LOTT, Lacey, Olympia, and Tumwater (who maintain sewer collection systems) to share resources and provide mutual aid in the event of an emergency, or other major disruption of sewer service, in any party's jurisdiction.

#### Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

#### City Manager's Recommendation:

Move to approve an Interlocal Agreement between LOTT Partner Jurisdictions for Emergency Response Mutual Aid.

#### Staff Contact:

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#### Presenter(s):

None - Consent Calendar Item

# Background and Analysis:

Recent discussions with LOTT regarding Sewer Overflow Emergency Response Plan updates for the four parties, have indicated a need have more formal agreements so resources can be shared during emergency events. This Agreement enables jurisdictions and LOTT to share resources, gives guidance on tracking and reimbursement costs, and enhances communications during and after these events.

Examples of typical equipment that could be shared under this agreement include:

- Pumping and bypass equipment, including generators
- Vactor truck
- Excavator, front-end loader, and/or dump truck
- Trench shoring

This Agreement has gone through a legal review by all four parties of the Agreement, and has been

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reviewed by the LOTT Technical Subcommittee. If approved, it will be in effect for five years, unless terminated earlier as described in the Agreement.

# Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

- 1. No known concerns.
- 2. LOTT and the Cities of Lacey and Tumwater support this agreement in order to provide regional support during emergencies.

# Options:

- 1. Approve an Interlocal Agreement between LOTT Partner Jurisdictions for Emergency Response Mutual Aid. Provides ability to predictably respond to emergencies.
- 2. Do not approve an Interlocal Agreement between LOTT Partner Jurisdictions for Emergency Response Mutual Aid. Instead, decide during an emergency event how and where to obtain additional resources if needed.

### Financial Impact:

Option 1: Unknown, but presumed to be less than if Agreement not in place (Option 2).

Option 2: Unknown, but presumed to be more than Option 1, since there is a higher likelihood that emergency contract(s) with outside (private) firms would be necessary.