

Ordinance No. 6194

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AN ORDINANCE adopting an "Interlocal Agreement Regarding Creation Of A Public Facilities District For A Regional Center," with attached Charter; and adopting a "Charter of Olympia Public Facilities District."

WHEREAS, Chapter 35.57 RCW as amended by Chapter 363, Laws of 2002, allows the creation by cities and a county of a joint public facilities district (PFD) to design, construct, and operate a Regional Center as defined in state law, and

WHEREAS, the City of Olympia has the authority under state statute to create its own single-city PFD for the same purposes stated above, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature by Chapters 363, Laws of 2002, required that to qualify for state sales tax funds under RCW 82.14.390, a regional or single PFD must be created by July 31, 2002, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature also required that construction of a PFD must commence on or before January 1, 2004, and

WHEREAS, the cities of Olympia, Lacey, and Tumwater and Thurston County are interested in working together to form a joint PFD to consider design, construction, and operation of a convention center, conference center, or special events center (Regional Center) as defined in Chapter 363, Laws of 2002, as the same now exists or may hereafter be amended, and

WHEREAS, the jurisdictions desire to enter into an Interlocal Agreement creating a joint PFD, and

WHEREAS, the joint PFD so created would be for the purpose of jointly considering, analyzing, and identifying a possible Regional Center that may be designed, constructed, and operated under or in conjunction with an amended Interlocal Agreement and PFD, and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the parties that sales and use tax funds authorized pursuant to RCW 82.14.390 should be imposed during this initial phase of the PFD to fund activities necessary to jointly consider, analyze, and identify a possible regional center, and

WHEREAS, the parties have agreed, under the Interlocal Agreement, to work together in good faith to identify a Regional Center to be designed, constructed, and operated under an amended PFD and Interlocal Agreement, and

WHEREAS, the Agreement provides that this collaboration must be completed by December 31, 2002 or the Interlocal Agreement will terminate, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the City Council to also establish a single-city PFD for Olympia which could be used in the event considerations and discussions with the other jurisdictions do not prove fruitful or Olympia wishes to pursue a PFD on its own, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and proper for the Olympia City Council to adopt the above-referenced Interlocal Agreement and to create, as an alternative, a single-city PFD, should the latter be necessary.