



**BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF MERCER ISLAND**

**AB 5782
December 1, 2020
Consent Calendar**

AGENDA BILL INFORMATION

TITLE: RECOMMENDED ACTION:	AB 5782: Interagency Agreement for Inmate Housing with the City of Issaquah.	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action Needed: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution
	Authorize the City Manager to sign the updated Interlocal Agreement for Inmate Housing with the City of Issaquah ail	

DEPARTMENT:	Police
STAFF:	Jeff Magnan, Police Services Commander
COUNCIL LIAISON:	n/a
EXHIBITS:	1. Updated Interagency Agreement between City of Mercer Island and the City of Issaquah for the Housing of Inmate(s) in the Issaquah City Jail
CITY COUNCIL PRIORITY:	n/a

AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURE	\$ 44,850
AMOUNT BUDGETED	\$ 44,850
APPROPRIATION REQUIRED	\$ n/a

SUMMARY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The City of Mercer Island has an Interagency Agreement (“Agreement”) with the City of Issaquah for housing of inmates that was approved in 2006. The current Agreement expires on December 31, 2020 and needs to be renewed. The new Agreement (see Exhibit 1) includes an increase in the Daily Housing Rate from \$94 to \$110.

BACKGROUND

Under State law, the City of Mercer Island is responsible for paying all costs associated with housing of inmates for violations of misdemeanor crimes occurring within the City (the State pays for housing of inmates for felony bookings). The City maintains contracts with several local jails and the Issaquah Jail is used primarily for misdemeanor bookings and short-term jail sentences of less than five days.

COST COMPARISON

The Agreement with the City of Issaquah allows the City one bed per day and additional beds as available. The Issaquah City Jail is utilized as Mercer Island’s primary jail due to its low cost, fee structure, and location. Although the Issaquah Jail is the primary booking facility, alternative facilities such as the Chelan County

Regional Justice Center (CCRJC) and the South Correctional Entity (SCORE) are utilized for longer sentences or for individuals who are in jail pending trial and that cannot post bail.

The following table illustrates the cost comparison between the jails based on 2021 rates:

Jail	Booking Fee	Daily Rate
Issaquah City Jail	n/a	New Rate \$110
SCORE	\$35	\$184
King County Jail	\$213	\$215
Chelan County RJC	n/a	\$120.50

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the City Manager to sign the updated Interagency Agreement for Inmate Housing between the City of Mercer Island and the City of Issaquah.