



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

**AB 6590  
December 3, 2024  
Consent Agenda**

**AGENDA BILL INFORMATION**

<b>TITLE:</b>	AB 6590: Interlocal Agreement for Jail Services with King County	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action Needed: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution
<b>RECOMMENDED ACTION:</b>	Authorize the City Manager to sign the updated Interlocal Agreement for King County Jail Services.	

<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	Police
<b>STAFF:</b>	Chris Sutter, Chief of Police Jeff Magnan, Police Commander
<b>COUNCIL LIAISON:</b>	n/a
<b>EXHIBITS:</b>	1. Updated Interlocal Agreement and rate sheet for Jail Services between the City of Mercer Island and King County 2. 2025 Detention Rates
<b>CITY COUNCIL PRIORITY:</b>	n/a

<b>AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURE</b>	\$ n/a
<b>AMOUNT BUDGETED</b>	\$ \$10,000
<b>APPROPRIATION REQUIRED</b>	\$ n/a

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The City of Mercer Island has an Interlocal Agreement (“Agreement”) with King County for jail services. The current Agreement expires on December 31, 2024, and needs to be renewed. The new Agreement (see Exhibit 1) is a five-year contract with no substantive changes other than inflationary adjustments to rates. These adjustments were anticipated and will be absorbed within the 2025-2026 adopted budget.

**BACKGROUND**

Under State law, the City of Mercer Island is responsible for paying all costs associated with housing of subjects for violations of misdemeanor crimes occurring within the City. The City maintains contracts with the South Correctional Entity (SCORE) and the Issaquah City Jail for misdemeanor bookings and jail sentences. For individuals with medical or psychological conditions that preclude them from being accepted at SCORE or Issaquah, the City utilizes the King County Jail (KCJ) and pays a booking fee and daily rate. The City also uses KCJ for all felony bookings, and the State is responsible for the costs associated with housing individuals for felony crimes.

## **ISSUE/DISCUSSION**

The King County Jail is the only local facility that can house individuals for felony crimes. This agreement is necessary to maintain services. The proposed new ILA is substantially similar to the agreement that expires on December 31, 2024 ([AB 6226](#)); however, the term is increased to five years and includes moderate rate increases using the same annual inflator of 4% for the estimated CPI-W (see Exhibit 2).

The budgeted amount has remained unchanged over the past few biennia due partly to the options of booking subjects into other facilities and the City's sporadic need to book into the King County Jail. As such, no increase to the budget line is necessary.

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Authorize the City Manager to sign the updated Interlocal Agreement for Inmate Housing between the City of Mercer Island and King County, substantially in the form attached as Exhibit 1 to this agenda bill, and any other non-substantive documents necessary for the implementation of the updated Agreement.