

**AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT
REGARDING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM
BETWEEN THE CITY OF MERCER ISLAND AND KING COUNTY**

This First Amendment to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Regarding the Community Development Block Grant Program between the City of Mercer Island and King County (“Amendment No. 1” or the “First Amendment”) is made by and between the City of Mercer Island (“the City”), and King County (“the County”), both of which entities being a unit of general local government in the State of Washington and which may be referred to hereinafter individually as a “Party” and collectively as the “Parties.”

RECITALS

- A. On July 25, 2014, pursuant to Ch. 39.34 RCW, the Parties entered that certain Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Regarding the Community Development Block Grant Program (the “Agreement”).
- B. As acknowledged by the Agreement, the area encompassed by unincorporated King County and all participating cities has been designated by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) as an urban county for the purpose of receiving Community Development Block Grant (“CDGB”) funds, as administered under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (the “Act”).
- C. Signatory jurisdictions to the Agreement are CDBG Consortium Partners for purposes of the Agreement and the Act.
- D. Under the Agreement and pursuant to the Act, King County is responsible to the federal government for all activities undertaken with CDBG funds and for ensuring that all CDBG assurances and certifications King County is required to submit to HUD under the Annual Action Plan are met.
- E. Urban counties are periodically required to requalify for their entitlement status under CDGB and related federal programs.
- F. Under Notice CPD-23-02, issued by HUD April 10, 2023, and setting forth instructions for continuing qualification for participating urban counties in the CDBG program for Fiscal Years 2024-2026, all existing urban counties are required to have incorporated in their cooperation agreements certain required language regarding fair housing and civil rights obligations.
- G. The Agreement does not contain all the required language regarding fair housing and civil rights obligations.

- H. Under Notice CPD-23-02, urban counties have the option of drafting a separate amendment to their existing cooperation agreements with signatory jurisdictions that include the required language rather than drafting a new cooperation agreement that contains the provisions.
- I. The purpose of this First Amendment is to expressly state the required language regarding fair housing and civil rights obligations and to memorialize the attendant obligations as though set forth in the Agreement.

AGREEMENT

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the terms, conditions and mutual covenants set forth herein, the Parties agree to amend the Agreement as follows:

- 1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct in all respects and are incorporated hereby as if fully set forth herein.
- 2. Section I of the Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety as follows:

“The County and City agree to cooperate to undertake, or assist in undertaking, community renewal and lower-income housing assistance activities funded from annual CDBG, ESG and HOME Program funds from federal fiscal years 2024, 2025 and 2026 appropriations, from recaptured funds and from any program income generated from the expenditure of such funds. These activities include the provision of decent housing, homeless assistance, and a suitable living environment and economic development opportunities, principally for persons with very low to moderate incomes. The County and City shall (i) take all actions necessary to assure compliance with the County’s certification under Section 104(b) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, (ii) assure that all CDBG grants will be conducted and administered in conformity with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 1, the Fair Housing Act, and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 100, and (iii) affirmatively furthering fair housing as defined and in accordance with 24 CFR 5.151 and 5.152 and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 8, 24 CFR part 35 and 24 CFR part 146.”

- 3. Except as specifically provided for in this First Amendment, all other provisions of the Agreement shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.
- 4. Any capitalized terms not defined in this First Amendment shall have the meanings given them in the Agreement.
- 5. This First Amendment shall be effective as of the date it has been executed by both Parties.

6. This First Amendment may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

[SIGNATURE BLOCKS ON FOLLOWING PAGE]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused their duly authorized representatives to execute this Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement as of the date set forth below their signatures.

City of Mercer Island

King County

Name: Jessi Bon

For King County Executive

Date:

Title: City Manager

By: Simon P. Foster
Title: Division Director
Housing, Homelessness and Community
Development
Department of Community and Human
Services

Attest: _____
Name: Andrea Larson
Title: City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Approved as to Form:

Bio Park, City Attorney

Ryan W. Ridings, King County Senior Deputy
Prosecuting Attorney