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Subject: King County Jail Interlocal Agreement

Response requested: No

Sensitivity: Normal

Council,

As you can see below, staff wanted to provide some additional information to you regarding the King County Jail Interlocal agreement, which is scheduled for adoption tonight on your consent calendar. Staff is not recommending any change to this agreement and recommends that it be adopted on consent tonight. Staff did want to clarify however that the Work Release Program offered at the King County Jail, which has been on hold since the start of COVID, will continue to be discontinued throughout the term of this two year contract (for 2021 and 2022). Thus, while this program is referenced in the staff report, it will not be available for use by our defendants. More information about the contract and this service is provided below.

I will put this email in the green folder for tonight. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns about this. Thanks.

Sincerely,

John Norris

From: Emily Rankin <erankin@shorelinewa.gov>

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Subject: King County Jail

The staff report for tonight's Agenda Item #7(d), Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Interlocal Agreement with King County for Jail Services Through December 21, 2022, contains references to the jail's work and education release program, which has been suspended due to the COVID-19 pandemic. While staff expected that the work release program would not reopen until at least mid-2021 due to the pandemic, the work release program has been eliminated from jail services in the King County 2021-2022 budget and will not be available to contract city inmates. Over the course of the last six months, staff communicated with King County Jail staff about the updated contract, and Jail staff did not proactively share with staff regarding the program's elimination during the upcoming biennium.

In the past, Shoreline misdemeanants eligible for work/education release, if negotiated by their attorney, the City prosecutor, and the King County District Court Judge, would stay at King County Jail in the evenings and be permitted to travel to their job or educational program during the day. In 2019, six (6) Shoreline defendants participated in work release.

Staff continues to recommend that Council proceed with authorizing the City Manager to enter into the interlocal agreement, even though the work release program will not be available under contract. As the City needs an alternative (back-up) jail facility in case there are issues with the SCORE jail or it is full, and given that the City only pays for jail beds used at King County Jail, the need for this jail contract still exists.

Emily Rankin

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