CITY OF SAMMAMISH
WASHINGTON
RESOLUTION NO: R2013-543

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAMMAMISH, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENGAGE IN COLLABORATIVE MEETINGS WITH NORTHEAST SAMMAMISH SEWER & WATER AND SAMMAMISH PLATEAU WATER AND SEWER DISTRICTS REGARDING THE FEASIBILITY OF MERGER

WHEREAS, the City of Sammamish has two special purpose taxing districts within its boundaries, Northeast Sammamish Sewer & Water and Sammamish Plateau Water & Sewer Districts; and

WHEREAS, cities are authorized by the State Revised Code of Washington, Chapter 35.13A, to assume Water and Sewer districts located within their boundaries; and

WHEREAS, merging with one or both of the districts might result in efficiencies and economies of scale in performing operations and conducting administration, lead to increased visibility and participation for the residents and allow for increased regional coordination; and

WHEREAS, the Growth Management Act requires cities to be the primary service provider within their boundaries to limit the number of taxing districts; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to engage in collaborative discussions with the two districts to determine if a merger might be in the best interest of the citizens and ratepayers of our community;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAMMAMISH, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

The Sammamish City Council hereby directs the City Manager, or his designee, to engage the Northeast Sammamish Sewer & Water District and the Sammamish Plateau Water & Sewer District in collaborative meetings to discuss the feasibility of a merger with the districts.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT THEIR REGULAR MEETING THEREOF ON THE 3rd DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2013.

CITY OF SAMMAMISH

Mayor Thomas T. Odell

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

Melonie Anderson

Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

for: Bruce L. Disend, City Attorney

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