

CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 7363

A RESOLUTION expressing the City Council's support for withdrawing territory under the jurisdiction of the City of Bellevue from the area of Public Hospital District #1, and further expressing the City Council's desire to meet with the Board of Commissioners of Public Hospital District #1 for the purposes of exploring withdrawal of the above mentioned territory, and exploring legislative remedies to the current statutes governing the withdrawal of territory from public hospital special purpose districts.

WHEREAS Bellevue residents who are taxpayers within the area of Public Hospital District #1 and who are also within the area of the jurisdiction of the City of Bellevue have requested the city's assistance in withdrawing their territory from the area of the hospital district; and

WHEREAS statutes do not allow a city to directly petition a hospital district for withdrawal of territory; and

WHEREAS in this area of Bellevue based on emergency services (EMS) incidents statistics from the most recent year available (2005) very few residents of Bellevue receive EMS response from, or are transported to, Public Hospital District #1's Valley Medical Center; and

WHEREAS taxpayers in this area are paying the District levy, and are not predominantly receiving their emergency services from the District.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON, DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council concurs with the withdrawal of territory under the jurisdiction of the City of Bellevue from Public Hospital District #1 if the District should ever have to prorate its levy rate under RCW 70.44.235 and RCW 84.52.010 requiring the withdrawal of area from the District.

Section 2. The City Council desires to meet with the Board of Commissioners of the District to explore withdrawal of the territory under the jurisdiction of the City of Bellevue from Public Hospital District #1 and directs the City Manager to work with the Board of Commissioners to initiate such a dialogue.

Section 3. The City Manager is also directed to explore legislative remedies that may be desired to ensure adequate statutory methods exist to modify public hospital district boundaries when emergency services provision to the affected

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territory is connected predominantly with a provider hospital outside of the public hospital district, and to explore legislative remedies to ensure that taxpayers who successfully petition to withdraw their territory under RCW 70.44.400 do not continue to pay levies authorized by RCW 84.55.050.

Passed by the City Council this 15th day of May, 2006,
and signed in authentication of its passage this 15th day of May,
2006.

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Grant Degginger, Mayor

Attest:



Myrna L. Basich, City Clerk