

CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 8212

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 requesting that Public Hospital District #1 take steps to pay off bonded indebtedness to extinguish obligations of residents of areas requesting withdrawal from the district.

WHEREAS Bellevue residents are both taxpayers within the area of Public Hospital District #1 (PHD #1) and are also within the jurisdiction of the City of Bellevue; and

WHEREAS, PHD #1 was created in 1948, prior to Bellevue incorporation, and included a large area of rural farmland in South and Central King County in order to provide subsidies via property tax to ensure adequate health care in sparsely populated areas; and

WHEREAS, today the area of Bellevue within the PHD #1 boundary contains residents with access to multiple private health-care providers in and around the Bellevue that do not receive support from property taxes; and

WHEREAS, PHD #1 levies a property tax of up to 59 cents per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, which levy impacts Bellevue residents who do not predominately receive emergency services from the District; and

WHEREAS, the vast majority of emergency medical transports from the territory are taken to Overlake Hospital, not Public Hospital District #1 facilities; and

WHEREAS, in 2006 the City requested that the District consider allowing withdrawal of Bellevue territory from the District; and

WHEREAS, PHD #1's recent announcement of a strategic alliance with University of Washington Medicine (UW Medicine) provides an opportunity to reconsider the appropriate boundaries for PHD #1; now therefore,

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

Section 1. The City Council requests that PHD #1 and UW Medicine consider the withdrawal of territory under the jurisdiction of the City of Bellevue from Public Hospital District #1 and requests that PHD #1 declare its support for such withdrawal.

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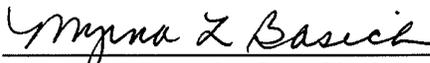
Section 2. The City Council encourages PHD #1 to explore ways to retire bonded indebtedness sooner than currently scheduled in order to ensure that any residents within areas requesting withdrawal from the District are relieved of debt payment obligations as soon as possible following such withdrawal.

Passed by the City Council this 21st day of March, 2011,
and signed in authentication of its passage this 21st day of March,
2011.

(SEAL)


Don Davidson, DDS
Mayor

Attest:


Myrna L. Basich, City Clerk