



## Snohomish County Council

**Committee:** Public Infrastructure and Conservation

**Analyst:** Deb Evison Bell

**ECAF:** 2023-0683

**Proposal:** Motion 22-253

**Date:** June 20, 2023

### **Consideration:**

The proposed motion would approve and authorize the County Executive to sign Professional Services Agreement SWMCC05-23 with Lake Defense Force Corporation, and further authorizes the Director of Conservation and Natural Resources to approve and sign contract amendments that is aggregate increase the original contract amount by no more than 20%, under SCC 3.04.190.

### **Background:**

Community members at Lakes Goodwin, Shoecraft and Roesiger currently pay an annual Surface Water Management (SWM) utility surcharge for invasive plant management services. As part of an integrated approach to aquatic invasive species management, the County has determined a need for the specialized skills of a consultant to provide diver services, and to include surveys and removal of invasive aquatic plants.

A Request for Proposals (RFP-23-011TB) was issued soliciting specialized consulting services to provide diver services including diver surveys and the removal of invasive aquatic plants by hand-pulling and Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting (DASH). Lake Defense Corporation was selected following all established federal, state and county policies and practices.

### **Current Proposal:**

*Scope:* Approval by motion is sought from Council to approve and authorize the County Executive to sign the Professional Services Agreement SWMCC05-23 with Lake Defense Force Corporation for invasive aquatic plant diving services and further authorize the Director of Conservation and Natural Resources to approve and sign contract amendments that is aggregate increase the original contract amount by no more than 20%.

*Duration:* The contract term is three (3) years from execution.

*Fiscal Implications:* The total budget for this Agreement is \$373,000 with estimated expenditures of \$103,000 in 2023, \$135,000 in 2024 and \$135,000 in 2025.

**2023 Budget:** The 2023 Budget includes appropriation authority for the proposed contract. (Current year: \$37,500 Ecology grant and \$7,900 SWM)

**Future Budget Impacts:** Funding for future years will be contingent upon obtaining additional revenue sources (Ecology Grant or other).

**Handling:** URGENT (Deadline date of July 15, 2023)

**Approved-as-to-form:** YES

**Risk Management:** APPROVE

**Executive Recommendation:** APPROVE

**Requests:** Move to GLS on June 28, 2023, for consideration.