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**Committee:** City Clerk

**Sponsor:** Bruce Harrell

**Date of Committee Recommendation:** 2015/03/04

**Committee Vote:** 3 (Bagshaw, Harrell, Licata) - 0

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WHEREAS, in 2012 the City identified a power transmission problem that directly impacted the City's primary data center at Seattle Municipal Tower, affecting the business operations of all City departments. The problem was repaired but underscored the need to upgrade and consolidate the City's data centers. The City implemented the Next Generation Data Center Project to achieve such an upgrade and consolidation; and

WHEREAS, consolidating and co-locating the City's data centers creates financial and operational efficiencies for the City and its residents; and

WHEREAS, the City is consolidating separate data centers into a single data center environment with a primary location in the Puget Sound region and secondary recovery sites outside the region to maximize options for data recovery in the event of a disaster; and

WHEREAS, as the providers of enterprise-grade, scalable, sustainable technology services in the City, the Department of Information Technology will manage migration of IT infrastructure and applications to new locations, and will manage the City's use of the colocated data centers; and

WHEREAS, colocation data center facility agreements negotiated by the Department of Information Technology and other departments for the Next Generation Data Center Project do not easily fit within existing leasing and procurement authority because the agreements typically include both the lease or license of space with specialized technical and

security requirements and on-site services such as network services and remote hands repair services;

WHEREAS, it is the Department of Information Technology's responsibility to manage the finances of technology services and appropriately charge city departments for those services, as dictated in the annual City budget; NOW THEREFORE;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. A new Section 3.22.050 is added to the Seattle Municipal Code as follows:

3.22.050 - Agreements for data center colocation space and services.

A. The Chief Technology Officer is authorized to execute, for and on behalf of the City and its departments, agreements providing for the City's use and occupancy of data center colocation facilities and services, including lease and license agreements for technical space, warehouse and office space; and agreements for related on-site support services. No city officer other than the Chief Technology Officer shall enter into agreements for City use of data center colocation facilities unless those agreements are made through and in accordance with policies and procedures established by the Chief Technology Officer.

B. The Chief Technology Officer's authority to enter into agreements under this Section is limited to agreements with an initial term of no more than ten years. The Chief Technology Officer may extend the term of an agreement for up to an additional five years, provided that the extension must be at the option of the Chief Technology Officer. The Chief Technology Officer shall give written notice to the chair and members of the City Council committee with technology oversight at least 30 days in advance of any agreement with a term of more than five years.

Section 2. Any act consistent with the authority of this ordinance taken prior to its effective date is ratified and confirmed.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

Passed by the City Council the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

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President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

Approved by me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

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Edward B. Murray, Mayor

Filed by me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

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Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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