



KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
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Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

October 10, 2006

Motion 12367

Proposed No. 2006-0460.2

Sponsors Constantine, Phillips, Ferguson,
Hague, von Reichbauer, Patterson,
Lambert, Dunn and Gossett

1 A MOTION adopting the priorities of King County for the
2 2007 King County budget.

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5 WHEREAS, performance management is an effective mechanism that may be
6 used by county residents, elected leaders and policy makers to prioritize county goals and
7 align public resources and services to those goals, and

8 WHEREAS, the metropolitan King County council is the policy making body of
9 King County, and

10 WHEREAS, the council has been the leader in promoting performance
11 management in King County, and

12 WHEREAS, in October 2002, the council adopted Motion 11561, which
13 encouraged the executive to broaden and deepen the use of performance measurement
14 throughout county government as a way of enhancing management of scarce resources
15 and demonstrating accountability, and

16 WHEREAS, in June 2003, the council passed Motion 11739, which created a
17 collaborative performance measurement work group to advise the county auditor and
18 requested the executive to participate, and

19 WHEREAS, in September 2004, the council passed Motion 12005, that expanded
20 the collaborative performance measurement work group to include all branches of county
21 government and empowered the performance measurement work group to develop a
22 work plan to determine feasible next steps to promote a uniform, countywide
23 performance measurement and reporting system, and

24 WHEREAS, in July 2005, the council passed Motion 12161, which called for the
25 countywide performance measurement work group to develop a plan with feasible next
26 steps for establishing a countywide system of strategic performance measurement and
27 reporting that is directly linked to resource allocation decisions and is publicly reported,
28 and

29 WHEREAS, in September 2006, the labor, operations and technology committee
30 recommended that the council approve Proposed Motion 2006-0443, which would adopt
31 a work plan to develop and implement a countywide performance management system,
32 and

33 WHEREAS, a performance management system consists of five key sequential
34 components: 1. establish priorities for county government; 2. define and clearly
35 articulate missions and organizational priorities for elected agencies and executive
36 departments in strategic/business plans; 3. connect central missions and organizational
37 priorities in strategic/business plans for elected agencies and executive departments
38 directly to the priorities of county government; 4. ensure that performance measures are

39 publicly reported for both county priorities and for organizational priorities for elected
40 agencies and executive departments so that the public, elected officials, managers and
41 staff can assess county performance in meeting its priorities; and 5. link priorities,
42 missions and performance measures with the policy making, management and budget
43 processes to demonstrate accountability and to ensure that scarce public funds are
44 provided to support county priorities, and

45 WHEREAS, the council has established organizational priorities for county
46 human services through adoption of the human services policy framework, and

47 WHEREAS, the council has established priorities and performance measures for
48 county criminal justice systems and services through adoption of operational master plans
49 the adult and juvenile detention systems and the family law portion of superior court, and

50 WHEREAS, in October 2006, the council is planning to review and adopt
51 priorities for expenditures of veterans and human services levy funds for the 2007
52 through 2011 King County budgets through adoption of the King County veterans and
53 human services improvement plan, and

54 WHEREAS, the council has established county priorities for county growth
55 management through adoption of the King County growth management and
56 comprehensive plans, and

57 WHEREAS, the council has established county priorities for county parks,
58 recreation and open space services through adoption of the parks omnibus and open space
59 systems plan, and

60 WHEREAS, in 2002, the council established priorities for county transit services
61 through adoption of the six-year transit development plan, and

62 WHEREAS, the council has established county priorities and performance
63 measures for several areas, but not all, of county government, and

64 WHEREAS, the council chooses to further its development of a performance
65 management system by establishing countywide priorities for the 2007 budget process
66 and using these countywide priorities as a framework to review the proposed 2007 King
67 County budget, and

68 WHEREAS, in Spring 2007, the council intends to provide policy direction, by
69 motion, to the county executive regarding countywide priorities for the 2008 budget, and

70 WHEREAS, King County will conduct a broader priority-setting process
71 involving the public and separately elected officials from all branches of county
72 government through implementation of the work plan to develop and implement a
73 countywide performance management system;

74 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

75 The council intends that the King County 2007 budget supports the priorities of

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76 county government as described in the attached Priorities for People - The 2007 King
77 County Budget.

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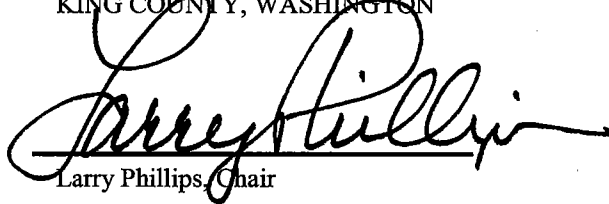
Motion 12367 was introduced on 10/9/2006 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 10/9/2006, by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mr. Phillips, Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Gossett, Mr. Constantine and Ms. Patterson

No: 0

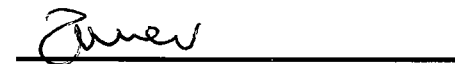
Excused: 2 - Mr. Dunn and Ms. Hague

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Larry Phillips, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

Attachments A. Priorities for People for the 2007 King County Budget--October 2006

PRIORITIES FOR PEOPLE
For The 2007 King County Budget
October 2006

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Citizens expect fiscal integrity and accountability in the use of their tax dollars. The Metropolitan King County Council meets that demand by setting priorities, funding programs consistent with those priorities, and measuring results.

Earning Public Trust

- **Advance sound financial policies and prudently manage the public's money**
- **Engage citizens in oversight of government services**
- **Strive for excellence in customer service**
- **Measure our performance and report back to the public**

Enhancing Quality of Life

- **Improve mobility for people, vehicles and freight**
- **Take good care of the environment and manage growth wisely**
- **Create and encourage vibrant cultural and recreational opportunities**

Protecting Public Health and Safety

- **Invest in prevention to reduce crime and the cost of detention**
- **Promote conditions for optimal physical and mental health**
- **Sustain critical health and human service programs**
- **Prepare our community for natural disasters and public health emergencies**