



KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

November 15, 2016

Ordinance 18411

Proposed No. 2016-0481.2

Sponsors Upthegrove

1 AN ORDINANCE relating to passenger ferry service,
2 revising passenger ferry fares; and amending Ordinance
3 17935, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C 4A.700.820.

4 **STATEMENT OF FACTS:**

- 5 1. The 2015/2016 Biennium Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 17941, Section 94
6 adopted the marine division operating fund budget.
- 7 2. As part of the budget, the council adopted the marine division's financial plan,
8 which included new revenue from a proposed fare increase to take place in 2016.
- 9 3. On November 20, 2014, Ordinance 17935 was enacted, which assumed the
10 governance of the King County ferry district, added new sections to the King
11 County Code, assumed the ferry fare policies of the King County ferry district,
12 and adopted the passenger ferry fares for King County.

13 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:**

14 SECTION 1. A. Section 2 of this ordinance adopts fares for passenger ferries.

15 B. These fares are adopted pursuant to RCW 36.54.010 and RCW 36.54.120.

16 SECTION 2. Ordinance 17935, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.700.820

17 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

- 18 A.1. Except as may otherwise be provided by ordinance, the following fare
19 categories and rates are established for regularly scheduled passenger ferry service:

20 One-Way Water Taxi Fares	West Seattle	Vashon Island
21	Water Taxi Route	Water Taxi Route
22 Cash fare	\$ ((5.25)) <u>5.75</u>	\$ ((6.25)) <u>6.75</u>
23 Regular prepaid fare	\$ ((4.50)) <u>5.00</u>	\$ ((5.25)) <u>5.75</u>
24 Child fare	No Charge	No Charge
25 Youth prepaid fare	\$ ((3.50)) <u>3.75</u>	\$ ((4.00)) <u>4.50</u>
26 Senior and persons with disabilities	\$ ((2.25)) <u>2.50</u>	\$ ((2.75)) <u>3.00</u>
27 fare		
28 Bicycle fare	No Charge	No Charge
29 Low-income fare	\$ ((3.50)) <u>3.75</u>	\$ ((4.00)) <u>4.50</u>

- 30 2. The fare categories and rates are subject to, and defined by, the following:
- 31 a. All fares shall be established only for a one-way trip;
- 32 b. All fares shall be rounded up to the next whole twenty-five cent increment;
- 33 c. The cash fare is determined by adding a fifteen-percent surcharge to the
- 34 regular prepaid fare and applies to cash and ticket purchases;
- 35 d. The regular prepaid fare is established as the base rate for persons nineteen
- 36 years old and older using ORCA prepaid fare media;
- 37 e. The child fare is available to persons five years and under when
- 38 accompanied by a parent, guardian or other person aged sixteen or older and paying the
- 39 proper fare as set forth in this chapter;
- 40 f. The youth prepaid fare is available to persons from six through eighteen
- 41 years old and persons over eighteen years old who receive valid student pass transit-fare

42 products under K.C.C. 4A.700.450. The youth prepaid fare shall be twenty-five percent
43 less than the regular prepaid fare;

44 g. The senior and persons with disabilities fare is available to persons who
45 apply for and receive a regional reduced fare permit. The permits are available to persons
46 at least sixty-five years old and persons with disabilities as provided in the regional
47 reduced fare permit program authorized under K.C.C. 28.94.255;

48 h. A person with a disability who has been issued an "attendant ride free"
49 permit as authorized under K.C.C. 4A.700.010 may be accompanied by an attendant, who
50 is not required to pay a fare;

51 i. A person who has paid fare may bring a bicycle onto a water taxi at no
52 additional charge, up to the water taxi's bicycle capacity; and

53 j. The low-income fare is available to persons who apply for and are
54 determined to meet the threshold eligibility requirements for the low-income transit fare
55 program authorized under K.C.C. 4A.700.490 and receive a valid low-income transit fare
56 product. The low-income fare shall be twenty-five percent less than the regular fare.

57 B. A fare in subsection A. of this section is paid when a person pays the
58 appropriate amount in cash or presents an appropriate pass, transfer or other fare payment

59 media established under and used in accordance with this chapter.

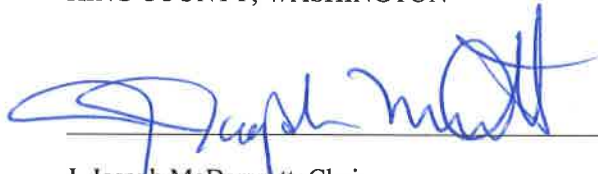
60 SECTION 3. This ordinance takes effect March 1, 2018.

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Ordinance 18411 was introduced on 10/24/2016 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 11/14/2016, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Dunn,
Mr. McDermott, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Upthegrove, Ms. Kohl-Welles
and Ms. Balducci
No: 0
Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



J. Joseph McDermott, Chair

ATTEST:



Melani Pedroza, Acting Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 17th day of November, 2016.



Dow Constantine, County Executive

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Attachments: None