



KING COUNTY

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Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

November 12, 2014

Ordinance 17935

Proposed No. 2014-0408.3

Sponsors McDermott

1 AN ORDINANCE assuming governance of the King
2 County ferry district; amending Ordinance 11955, Section
3 11, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.16.140, Ordinance 17527,
4 Section 129, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.200.420,
5 Ordinance 15739, Section 2, and K.C.C. 2.120.010,
6 Ordinance xxxx, Section 6, and K.C.C. 4A.700.xxx
7 (section 6 of this ordinance) and Ordinance xxxx, Section
8 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.700.xxx (section 6 of this
9 ordinance), adding a new section to K.C.C. chapter 4A.700,
10 adding a new section to K.C.C. chapter 4A.200, adding a
11 new section to K.C.C. chapter 2.120 and repealing
12 Ordinance 15739, Section 3, and K.C.C. 2.120.020.

13 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

14 **SECTION 1. Findings:**

15 A. On November 10, 2014, the King County council held the public hearing as
16 required by Ordinance 17908 and RCW 36.150.020.

17 B. After that public hearing council determines that the public interest or welfare
18 would be satisfied by the county assuming the rights, powers, functions and obligations
19 of the King County ferry district and hereby declares that to be the council's intent.

20 SECTION 2. King County hereby assumes all rights, powers, functions and
21 obligations of the King County ferry district as set forth in chapter 36.54 RCW and the
22 same are hereby vested in accordance with the executive and legislative responsibilities
23 defined in the King County Charter. The county is now vested with all the rights,
24 powers, functions and obligations formerly vested by law in the governing board of the
25 King County ferry district. In exercising such rights, powers, functions and obligations,
26 all actions will be taken in the name of the county. Title to all ferry district property or
27 property rights is vested in the county.

28 SECTION 3. As required by RCW 36.150.040(2), the ferry district board is
29 hereby abolished.

30 SECTION 4. Ordinance 11955, Section 11, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.16.140 is
31 hereby amended to read as follows:

32 A. The department of transportation is responsible to manage and be fiscally
33 accountable for the road services division, transit division, fleet administration division,
34 airport division and marine division. The department shall perform the metropolitan
35 public transportation function as authorized in chapter 35.58 RCW, K.C.C. Title 28 and
36 other applicable laws, regulations and ordinances; provided, that financial planning for
37 and administration of the public transportation function shall be conducted consistent
38 with financial policies as may be adopted by the council. The department shall
39 administer the county roads function as authorized in applicable sections of Titles 36 and
40 47 RCW and other laws, regulations and ordinances as may apply. The department shall
41 administer the passenger ferry service function as authorized in chapter 36.54 RCW,
42 K.C.C. chapter 2.120 and other applicable laws, regulations and ordinances. The

43 department's functions include, but are not limited to, the activities set forth in
44 subsections B. through F. of this section for each division, administration of grants and
45 the coordination of transportation planning activities with other county agencies and
46 outside entities to integrate transportation planning and land use planning.

47 B. The road services division is responsible to design, construct, maintain and
48 operate a comprehensive system of roadways and other transportation facilities and
49 services to support a variety of transportation modes for the safe and efficient movement
50 of people and goods and delivery of services. The duties of the division shall include the
51 following:

52 1. Designing, constructing and maintaining county roads, bridges and associated
53 drainage facilities;

54 2. Designing, installing and maintaining county traffic signs, markings and
55 signals;

56 3. Designing, installing and maintaining bicycle and pedestrian facilities;

57 4. Managing intergovernmental contracts or agreements for services related to
58 road maintenance and construction and to other transportation programs supporting the
59 transportation plan;

60 5. Inspecting utilities during construction and upon completion for compliance
61 with standards and specifications; assuring that public facilities disturbed due to
62 construction are restored;

63 6. Performing detailed project development of roads capital improvement
64 projects that are consistent with the transportation element of the county's Comprehensive

65 Plan, and coordinating such programming with other county departments and divisions
66 assigned responsibilities for Comprehensive Plan implementation;

67 7. Incorporating into the roads capital improvement program those projects
68 identified in the transportation needs report, community plans, related functional plans
69 and elsewhere consistent with the county's Comprehensive Plan;

70 8. Preparing, maintaining and administering the county road standards;

71 9. Preparing and administering multi-year roads maintenance and capital
72 construction plans and periodic updates;

73 10. Administering the transportation concurrency and mitigation payment
74 programs; and

75 11.a. Performing the duties of the office of the county road engineer, which is
76 hereby established as an administrative office of the road services division. The office of
77 the county road engineer shall be an office of record, supervised by the county road
78 engineer hired in accordance with RCW 36.80.010 and reporting to the division director
79 of the road services division. The office of the county road engineer shall be located
80 within the corporate limits of the county seat.

81 b. The county road engineer shall carry out all duties assigned to the county
82 road engineer as prescribed by state statute, except as modified by the county executive
83 as authorized in subsection B.11.c. of this section.

84 c. The county executive may assign professional engineering duties of the
85 county road engineer to someone other than the county road engineer, except as
86 otherwise assigned by King County Code, and only if the individual assigned those duties
87 shall be qualified as required under RCW 36.80.020. The executive shall provide to the

88 county council and the Washington State County Road Administration Board, in writing,
89 those specific professional engineering duties not assigned to the county road engineer,
90 the name and position of each person responsible for carrying out those assigned duties,
91 the specific reporting and working relationships with the county road engineer and the
92 duration for which those duties have been assigned.

93 C.1. The transit division is responsible for the operation and maintenance of a
94 comprehensive system of public transportation services in King County. The duties of the
95 division shall include the following:

96 a. providing all necessary customer services including telephone and other
97 customer information and support systems; managing sales and distribution of fare
98 media, research, market strategies and marketing functions;

99 b. implementing programs, policies and strategies for the public transit in King
100 County; developing and scheduling new products and service and managing contract
101 services;

102 c. developing and implementing transportation programs under the Americans
103 with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) including preparing policy recommendations and
104 service models and contracting for the delivery of service;

105 d. delivering and managing transit service in the county including service
106 quality and service communication functions;

107 e. managing and maintaining the transit system infrastructure, including trolley
108 power distribution and overhead systems, bases, customer facilities, and the radio
109 communication and data system;

110 f. maintaining transit rolling stock including all revenue vehicle fleets and
111 those vehicles required to support the operation of the transit system, except such
112 vehicles as may be included in the motor pool; managing a central stores function, unit
113 repair facilities and all purchasing activities relative to the procurement of the revenue
114 vehicle fleet;

115 g. managing the design, engineering and construction management functions
116 related to the transit capital program including new facilities development and
117 maintenance of existing infrastructure; providing support services such as project
118 management, environmental review, permit and right-of-way acquisitions, schedule and
119 project control functions;

120 h. managing rideshare operations functions including vanpool, carpool, and
121 regional ride matching programs; and

122 i. preparing and administering public transportation service and supporting
123 capital facility plans and periodic updates.

124 2. The council may assign responsibility for services ancillary to and in support
125 of the operation and maintenance of the metropolitan public transportation system under
126 chapter 35.58 RCW, including, but not limited to, human resources, accounting,
127 budgeting, finance, engineering, fleet administration, maintenance, laboratory,
128 monitoring, inspection and planning, as it determines appropriate.

129 D. The duties of the fleet administration division shall include the following:

130 1. Acquiring, maintaining and managing the motor pool and equipment
131 revolving fund for fleet vehicles and equipment including, but not limited to, vehicles for
132 the department of natural resources and parks, facilities management division, and

133 transportation nonrevenue vehicles. Transportation department vehicles determined by
134 the director to be intricately involved in or related to providing public transportation
135 services shall not be part of the motor pool;

136 2. Establishing rates for the rental of equipment and vehicles;

137 3. Establishing terms and charges for the sale of any material or supplies which
138 have been purchased, maintained or manufactured with money from the equipment
139 revolving fund;

140 4. Managing training programs, stores function and vehicle repair facilities;

141 5. Administering the county alternative fuel program and take-home assignment
142 of county vehicles policy; and

143 6. Inventorying, monitoring losses and disposing of county personal property in
144 accordance with K.C.C. chapter 4.56.

145 E. The airport division is responsible for managing the maintenance and
146 operations of the King County international airport. The duties of the division shall
147 include the following:

148 1. Developing and implementing airport programs under state and federal law
149 including preparing policy recommendations and service models;

150 2. Managing and maintaining the airport system infrastructure;

151 3. Managing, or securing services from other divisions, departments or entities
152 to perform, the design, engineering and construction management functions related to the
153 airport capital program including new facilities development and maintenance of existing
154 infrastructure; providing support services such as project management, environmental
155 review, permit and right-of-way acquisitions, schedule and project control functions; and

156 4. Preparing and administering airport service and supporting capital facility
157 plans and periodic updates.

158 F. The marine division is responsible for the administration, maintenance and
159 operation of passenger ferry service in King County. (~~on a contract basis for the King
160 County Ferry District.~~) The duties of the division shall include the following:

161 1. Managing, acquiring, constructing and maintaining (~~the ferry district's~~)
162 King County's marine transportation system infrastructure;

163 2. Managing, or securing services from other divisions, departments or entities,
164 to perform the design, engineering and construction management functions related to the
165 passenger ferry capital program including vessel procurement, new facilities development
166 and maintenance of existing infrastructure;

167 3. Providing (~~support services to the ferry district~~) general administration of
168 the passenger ferry service, such as project management, grants management,
169 procurement, labor negotiations, environmental review, permit and real property
170 acquisitions and managing contract services; and

171 4. Planning, implementing, administering and operating passenger ferry service
172 (~~in accordance with agreements between the county and the King County Ferry District~~)
173 in King County.

174 SECTION 5. A. Section 6 of this ordinance adopts fees for passenger ferries.

175 B. These fees are adopted pursuant to RCW 36.54.010 and RCW 36.54.120.

176 NEW SECTION. SECTION 6. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 4A.700
177 a new section to read as follows:

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

180 One-Way Water Taxi Fares	West Seattle	Vashon Island
	Water Taxi Route	Water Taxi Route
182 Cash fare	\$4.75	\$5.50
183 Regular prepaid fare	\$4.00	\$4.75
184 Child fare	No Charge	No Charge
185 Youth prepaid fare	\$3.00	\$3.75
186 Senior and persons with disabilities 187 fare	\$2.00	\$2.50
188 Bicycle fare	No Charge	No Charge

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

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

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

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

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

212 B. A fare in subsection A. of this section is paid when a person pays the
213 appropriate amount in cash or presents an appropriate pass, transfer or other fare payment
214 media established under and used in accordance with this chapter.

215 SECTION 7. Ordinance 17527, Section 129, as amended, and K.C.C.
216 4A.200.420 are hereby amended to read as follows:

217 A. There is hereby created the marine services ~~((division))~~ operating fund.

218 B. The fund shall be a first tier fund. It is ~~((a special revenue))~~ an enterprise
219 fund.

220 C. The director of the department of transportation shall be the manager of the
221 fund.

222 D. ~~((The fund shall provide for the revenues to and expenditures by King County,~~
223 ~~on behalf of the King County ferry district, as established in K.C.C. 2.120.010, in~~

224 ~~performance of services associated with the operating functions of the district.))~~ All
225 proceeds generated by an ad valorem tax levy upon all taxable property in King County
226 authorized by RCW 36.54.130, all receipts from the operation of the King County marine
227 division passenger ferry service, proceeds from grants, bonds and other revenues for
228 passenger ferry services shall be deposited in the fund.

229 E. All moneys in the fund shall be used for the purpose authorized in chapter
230 36.54 RCW.

231 NEW SECTION. SECTION 8. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 4A.200
232 a new section to read as follows:

233 A. There is hereby created a marine capital fund.

234 B. The fund shall be a first tier fund. It is an enterprise capital fund.

235 C. The director of the department of transportation shall be the manager of the
236 fund.

237 D. All receipts from transfers from the marine operating fund and revenues for
238 marine division passenger ferry capital purposes from bond proceeds, grants and other
239 sources shall be deposited in the fund.

240 SECTION 9. Ordinance 15739, Section 2, and K.C.C. 2.120.010 are each hereby
241 amended to read as follows:

242 A. A ~~((new))~~ ferry district within King County is hereby established.

243 B. ~~((The members of the King County council, acting ex officio and~~
244 ~~independently, shall compose the governing body of the ferry district.))~~ The voters of the
245 ferry district must be registered voters residing within the boundaries of the district.

246 ((C-)) The county ferry district shall include the entire corporate boundary of the
247 county.

248 ((D-)) C. The ferry district possesses all of the powers ((as provided for in)) that a
249 ferry district may have under chapter 36.54 RCW ((36.54.110)) and other authorities.

250 SECTION 10. Ordinance 15739, Section 3, and K.C.C. 2.120.020 are each
251 hereby repealed.

252 NEW SECTION. SECTION 11. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 2.120
253 a new section to read as follows:

254 A. All resolutions enacted by the board of the King County ferry district and not
255 expressly repealed by December 31, 2014, that are not inconsistent with the King County
256 Charter or ordinances are hereby readopted and ratified.

257 SECTION 12. A. Section 13 of this ordinance adopts fees for passenger ferries.

258 B. These fees are adopted pursuant to RCW 36.54.010 and RCW 36.54.120.

259 SECTION 13. Ordinance xxxx, Section 6, and K.C.C. 4A.700.xxx (section 6 of
260 this ordinance) are each hereby amended to read as follows:

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

263 One-Way Water Taxi Fares	West Seattle	Vashon Island
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268 Youth prepaid fare	\$3.00	\$3.75

269	Senior and persons with disabilities	\$2.00	\$2.50
270	fare		
271	Bicycle fare	No Charge	No Charge
272	<u>Low-income fare</u>	<u>\$3.00</u>	<u>\$3.75</u>

- 273 2. The fare categories and rates are subject to, and defined by, the following:
- 274 a. All fares shall be established only for a one-way trip;
- 275 b. All fares shall be rounded up to the next whole twenty-five cent increment;
- 276 c. The cash fare is determined by adding a fifteen-percent surcharge to the
- 277 regular prepaid fare and applies to cash and ticket purchases;
- 278 d. The regular prepaid fare is established as the base rate for persons nineteen
- 279 years old and older using ORCA prepaid fare media.
- 280 e. The child fare is available to persons five years and under when
- 281 accompanied by a parent, guardian or other person aged sixteen or older and paying the
- 282 proper fare as set forth in this chapter;
- 283 f. The youth prepaid fare is available to persons from six through eighteen
- 284 years old and persons over eighteen years old who receive valid student pass transit-fare
- 285 products under K.C.C. 4A.700.450. The youth prepaid fare shall be twenty-five percent
- 286 less than the regular prepaid fare;
- 287 g. The senior and persons with disabilities fare is available to persons who
- 288 apply for and receive a regional reduced fare permit. The permits are available to persons
- 289 at least sixty-five years old and persons with disabilities as provided in the regional
- 290 reduced fare permit program authorized under K.C.C. 28.94.255;

291 h. A person with a disability who has been issued an "attendant ride free"
292 permit as authorized under K.C.C. 4A.700.010 may be accompanied by an attendant, who
293 is not required to pay a fare; ~~((and))~~

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

296 j. The low-income fare is available to persons who apply for and are
297 determined to meet the threshold eligibility requirements for the low-income transit fare
298 program authorized under K.C.C. 4A.700.490, when effective, and receive a valid low-
299 income transit fare product. The low-income fare shall be twenty-five percent less than
300 the regular fare.

301 B. A fare in subsection A. of this section is paid when a person pays the
302 appropriate amount in cash or presents an appropriate pass, transfer or other fare payment
303 media established under and used in accordance with this chapter.

304 SECTION 14. A. Section 15 of this ordinance adopts fees for passenger ferries.

305 B. These fees are adopted pursuant to RCW 36.54.010 and RCW 36.54.120.

306 SECTION 15. Ordinance xxxx, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.700.xxx

307 (section 6 of this ordinance, as amended) are each hereby amended to read as follows:

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309 categories and rates are established for regularly scheduled passenger ferry service:

310 One-Way Water Taxi Fares	West Seattle	Vashon Island
	Water Taxi Route	Water Taxi Route
311 Cash fare	\$(4.75)) <u>5.25</u>	\$(5.50)) <u>6.25</u>
312 Regular prepaid fare	\$(4.00)) <u>4.50</u>	\$(4.75)) <u>5.25</u>

314	Child fare	No Charge	No Charge
315	Youth prepaid fare	\$ ((3.00)) <u>3.50</u>	\$ ((3.75)) <u>4.00</u>
316	Senior and persons with disabilities fare	\$ ((2.00)) <u>2.25</u>	\$ ((2.50)) <u>2.75</u>
317			
318	Bicycle fare	No Charge	No Charge
319	Low-income fare	\$ ((3.00)) <u>3.50</u>	\$ ((3.75)) <u>4.00</u>

- 320 2. The fare categories and rates are subject to, and defined by, the following:
- 321 a. All fares shall be established only for a one-way trip;
- 322 b. All fares shall be rounded up to the next whole twenty-five cent increment;
- 323 c. The cash fare is determined by adding a fifteen-percent surcharge to the
- 324 regular prepaid fare and applies to cash and ticket purchases;
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- 326 years old and older using ORCA prepaid fare media;
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- 329 proper fare as set forth in this chapter;
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- 331 years old and persons over eighteen years old who receive valid student pass transit-fare
- 332 products under K.C.C. 4A.700.450. The youth prepaid fare shall be twenty-five percent
- 333 less than the regular prepaid fare;
- 334 g. The senior and persons with disabilities fare is available to persons who
- 335 apply for and receive a regional reduced fare permit. The permits are available to persons

336 at least sixty-five years old and persons with disabilities as provided in the regional
337 reduced fare permit program authorized under K.C.C. 28.94.255;

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339 permit as authorized under K.C.C. 4A.700.010 may be accompanied by an attendant, who
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345 program authorized under K.C.C. 4A.700.490, when effective, and receive a valid low-
346 income transit fare product. The low-income fare shall be twenty-five percent less than
347 the regular fare.

348 B. A fare in subsection A. of this section is paid when a person pays the
349 appropriate amount in cash or presents an appropriate pass, transfer or other fare payment
350 media established under and used in accordance with this chapter.

351 SECTION 16. A. Sections 1 through 11 of this ordinance take effect January 1,
352 2015.

353 B. Section 13 of this ordinance takes effect March 1, 2015.

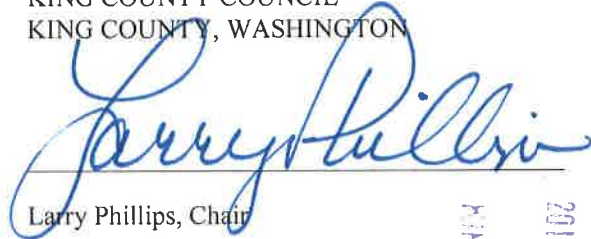
354 C. Section 15 of this ordinance takes effect March 1, 2016.

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Ordinance 17935 was introduced on 9/29/2014 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 11/10/2014, by the following vote:

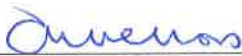
Yes: 9 - Mr. Phillips, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Hague, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Dunn, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Dembowski and Mr. Upthegrove
No: 0
Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Larry Phillips, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

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APPROVED this 20 day of NOVEMBER, 2014.



Dow Constantine, County Executive

Attachments: None