



KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

May 24, 2005

Motion 12123

Proposed No. 2005-0220.3

Sponsors Phillips, Patterson, Ferguson,
Hague, Lambert, Hammond,
Dunn, Irons, von Reichbauer,
Edmonds and Constantine

1 A MOTION authorizing the chair of the council to enter
2 into a contract for consultant services to conduct an
3 independent and comprehensive audit of the elections
4 section of the King County records, elections and
5 licensing services division.

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8 WHEREAS, the metropolitan King County council recently passed Motion
9 12107, calling for an independent and comprehensive audit of the elections section of the
10 King County records, elections and licensing services division, and

11 WHEREAS, the county's procurement services office issued a request for
12 proposal ("RFP") to conduct this audit, incorporating the requirements set out in Motion
13 12107, and,

14 WHEREAS, a technical evaluation committee, comprised of county council staff,
15 county auditor staff and the Multnomah county auditor, evaluated the proposals,

16 conducted interviews and determined that the proposal from The Election Center best
17 meets the selection criteria outlined in the RFP, and

18 WHEREAS, Motion 10651, Section III, as amended, and OR 1-020 requires the
19 council to authorize the council chair to sign any contracts in excess of twenty-five
20 thousand dollars;

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

22 The chair of the metropolitan King County council is authorized to enter into a
23 contract, in an amount not to exceed three hundred fifty thousand dollars with The
24 Elections Center to conduct an independent and comprehensive audit of the elections
25 section of the King County records, elections and licensing services division, that will at
26 least include a comprehensive examination of the following topics:

27 A. Incidents of previously uncounted ballots found after certification of an
28 election.

29 B. Incomplete, incorrect or missing signature images in the voter registration
30 database.

31 C. Procedures for tracking notification of felon convictions, cancellation of said
32 felons' voter registration and retention of notification and cancellation records.

33 D. Reconciliation of the number of votes cast with the number of voters credited.

34 E. Preparation and documentation of the Mail Ballot Report produced during
35 certification of elections.

36 F. Provisional ballots fed directly into the Accuvote machines without being
37 verified and the possibility of multiple voting.

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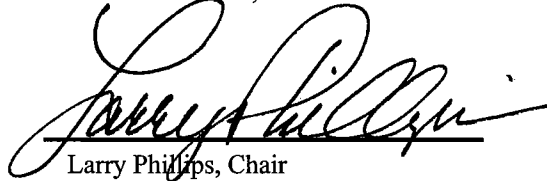
38 G. Timely mailing of absentee ballots and quality control mechanisms related to
39 envelopes being mailed without ballots and military voters not receiving ballots.

40 H. The inventory on ballots released to poll workers, the accounting of the
41 number of absentee ballots returned and the accounting of ballots printed "on demand."
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Motion 12123 was introduced on 5/16/2005 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 5/23/2005, by the following vote:

Yes: 13 - Mr. Phillips, Ms. Edmonds, Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Pelz, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Hammond, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Hague, Mr. Irons, Ms. Patterson and Mr. Constantine
No: 0
Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Larry Phillips, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

Attachments None