



## **King County**

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**The Honorable Corinna Harn**  
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May 7, 2012

The Honorable Larry Gossett  
Chair, King County Council  
Room 1200  
COURTHOUSE

RE: MRJC Legislation Letter of Support

Dear Councilmember Gossett:

On behalf of King County District Court, I am writing in support of Supplemental Ordinance 17176, enabling King County to complete needed remodel work at the Maleng Regional Justice Center (MRJC) for District Court.

The consolidation of District Court into the MRJC achieves important policy goals identified in the District Court's 2005 Operational Master Plan and 2007 Facilities Master Plan, both of which were approved by the King County Council. Further, this remodel provides much needed additional space for the District Court. As part of the project, the Criminal Investigation Division (CID) will be moved to the Administration Building in downtown Seattle, which achieves a policy goal articulated in the Council adopted 2005 Space Plan to bring CID closer to the Sheriff's Office administrative center.

By working collaboratively with Superior Court, King County Sheriff's Office, and District Court, the Facilities Management Division was able to design a security screening area that will accommodate the anticipated added volume of court customers visiting the building while maintaining the safety of the public, judges, and court employees. The result is a design that expands the vestibule and addresses security concerns raised by building tenants and meets the operational needs of the Sheriff's Office's Court Protection Unit.

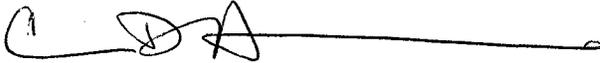
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Superior Court and the Sheriff's Office have also expressed support for the revised entrance configuration, as evidenced by the letters included in this transmittal package.

Your support of the redesigned entry is much appreciated as it will provide a significant value added service for the residents of King County.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Harn', followed by a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Corinna Harn  
Chief Presiding Judge  
King County District Court

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