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King County Action Plan

Historically, county governments have been tasked with providing services in less populated, more rural areas, while cities provide services at the urban level. This was most noticeable in the different funding sources available to cities versus counties.

King County, more than any other county in Washington, no longer fits this old model of county government. King County has a tremendous urban level service demand to meet and has responded by attempting to provide necessary services for the health, safety, welfare and quality of life for its residents.

Service Demands

Criminal Justice:

King County has an ever-increasing percentage of non-transportation budget dollars going to meet exploding criminal justice costs and demands. King County's problem is exacerbated by having to provide an urban level of police service, as well as the traditional level of criminal justice services. The state's latest attempt to deal with offender reentry will place an even greater burden on King County.

Specific Action:

King County should consider creating an opportunity using the latest offender reentry legislation to champion the need for criminal justice resources, particularly for the more urbanized counties.

Transportation / Transit:

No county in the state faces the complex highway, public transportation, and multi-modal demands of King County. King County faces many transportation demands, including I-405, the Alaskan Way Viaduct, the 520 bridge, the 509 extensions, Metro growth, the movement of freight for the Port of Seattle, and connections to Everett and Tacoma.

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Specific Action:

The outcome of the November 2007 transportation ballot may present a crisis leading to an opportunity for King County to act on many of the issues. As has been shown in many public votes, a highly successful transit component is CRITICAL to any public support for transportation funding.

The economic engine of Washington State is linked to projects in King County. The continued economic growth for the Ports of Seattle, Everett and Tacoma are closely linked to transportation projects in King County.

Of course, all of the growth King County has experienced, as well as growth in Pierce, Snohomish, Kitsap and Kittitas, are made possible in no small part by the movement of people and goods through King County.

Growth Management, Water/Sewer, Endangered Species:

King County has embraced the Growth Management Act (GMA) and has attempted to use its principles to improve the quality of life expected by its residents. King County was a leader on the recently enacted Puget Sound Initiative. The Puget Sound Initiative will provide King County with the opportunity to continue to lead in the regional efforts to preserve its citizens' quality of life and maintain our strong economy.

Brightwater stands as an example of King County's willingness to be a positive partner for regional development. While this project is greatly needed to provide for quality of life and development, there remain challenges to ensure the long-term financing is available to complete and successfully manage this critical project.

The recent reclaimed water legislation again stands as an example of King County's key leadership role; however, the Governor's partial veto means we will need to continue our efforts to ensure this is a useful tool

Specific Action:

We must maintain our key roles in the Puget Sound Initiative, reclaimed water and Brightwater. For Puget Sound we must ensure this initiative is not diluted so efforts are not focused. As mentioned above, the Governor's partial veto of the reclaimed water legislation will mean we need to revisit this key legislation next session. The finance issues related to Brightwater may require King County to seek legislation.

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Public Health:

Public health was once a shared financial responsibility of cities and counties. The legislature shifted this responsibility, primarily to counties with revenue from the MVET. This tax base has been eliminated due to the initiative process. The most recent legislature provided \$25 million in the state budget, far short of the request, and efforts to identify a funding source have not been successful.

Action Plan:

We must take the opportunity of public awareness to seek a new approach. Working with all counties, the larger cities, a supportive State Department of Health, and sensitive legislators, we must seek a long -term funding solution to allow us to meet this critical public health and safety responsibility for our citizens. We have not emphasized the wonderful positive stories of our clinics as a significant positive force in providing critical primary care and long -term health education critical to the health of many citizens.

Legislative Experience:

I have lobbied for King County on each of these issues and more I have unmatched experience in and around the legislative process. I pride myself on knowing each legislator, the nature of each district, and I attempt to understand the myriad reasons that motivate each legislator to become an elected official.

Issues up for public debate are seldom decided solely on a partisan basis. Some may be influenced by urban, rural, suburban, agricultural, or personal experiences and some purely political. I believe I understand these and work to use them for the best interests of my clients.

The knowledge I gained from being Attorney to the Speaker and then Counsel to the Senate Majority Leader gives me a tremendous understanding of the rules and procedures of the legislative process, as well as the ability to recognize the full range of options throughout the legislative process.

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RELEVANT STATE GOVERNMENT EXPERIENCE

- Current, 13 Years **Private Practice Attorney and Contract Lobbyist**
Provide a wide variety of services based on client needs. Lobbying services have ranged from monitor only to fully lobbying, political, and agency actions. Current clients: Washington State Trial Lawyers Association, Bicycle Alliance of Washington, King County, and the Drug Court Professionals.
- 4 ½ Years **WASHINGTON STATE TRIAL LAWYERS ASSOCIATION**
Government Affairs Counsel
Responsible for all legislative and political activities. I began serving in this capacity for WSTLA immediately following passage of the 1986 Tort Reform act. Within one year, the dedication of WSTLA members and strong staff efforts gained recognition for WSTLA as a leader in the protection of injured victims. Politically, LAW PAC became a leader in campaign assessment and involvement. In the Legislature, WSTLA lobbied hundreds of bills each session. While with WSTLA, I was also able to successfully lobby the Executive branch on numerous appointments.
- 2 Years **STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE**
Counsel for the State Treasurer
Working for a statewide elected official in an executive position, I was responsible for legislative and legal activities. I also served as principal staff person for the State Treasurer in support of his role as the chair of the State Investment Board. The State Investment Board was then a \$22 billion fund. Activities for the board have included coordination of legal action for a federal multi-district court lawsuit, the review of a \$1.5 billion investment and restructuring of a \$450 million real estate investment.
- 7 Years **WASHINGTON STATE LEGISLATURE**
Attorney to the Speaker and Counsel to the Senate Majority Leader
Held four positions with the Washington State House of Representatives and Senate. Served as a non-partisan committee staff, providing research, bill drafting and presentations to several committees. Worked as Counsel for House Democrats, conducting partisan research and bill drafting. I also served as Attorney to the House Speaker and was responsible for the flow of legislation, negotiations and coordination with the Senate, external lobbying interests and the Executive branch. Finally, I served as Counsel to the Senate Majority Leader with similar responsibilities as Attorney to the Speaker.
- JD 1980 Admitted to practice
Washington State Supreme Court
United States District Court, Western Washington
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