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The Honorable Girmay Zahilay
Chair, King County Council
Room 1200
C O U R T H O U S E

Dear Councilmember Girmay Zahilay:

This letter transmits a proposed Motion that would, if approved, extend a waiver of public advertising and competitive procurement requirements under an Emergency Proclamation that I made on January 17, 2025. This Emergency Proclamation enables expedited work to evaluate and complete necessary repairs to the radio communications system in the King County Correctional Facility.

The Emergency Proclamation requires that contracts executed under the waiver provision for competitive procurements must take place within 21 calendar days, which would be February 7, 2025, unless extended by Motion. Due to the complexity of the radio communications system work at the King County Correctional Facility, additional time beyond 21 days is needed to enter into a contract with one or more vendors. The enclosed Motion allows for the time necessary to prepare the scope of work and execute a contract to complete the evaluation and repair work.

Action on this Motion is requested before February 7 which is when the Emergency Proclamation expires.

Thank you for your consideration of this proposed Motion. This important legislation will continue to support Department of Adult and Juvenile Detention personnel who rely on an effective radio communications system for health and safety of County personnel and residents in the King County Correctional Facility.

If your staff have questions, please contact Drew Zimmerman, Interim Facilities Management Director, Department of Executive Services, at 206-263-5935.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dow Constantine", with a large circular flourish at the end.

for

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Enclosure

cc: King County Councilmembers

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