



**KING COUNTY**

1200 King County Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

**Signature Report**

**December 11, 2007**

**Motion 12657**

**Proposed No.** 2007-0639.2

**Sponsors** Patterson and Lambert

1                   A MOTION authorizing temporary free disposal of storm-  
2                   related debris resulting from the December 2007 storm  
3                   event.

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5                   WHEREAS, King County experienced unusually destructive rain, flooding and  
6                   other secondary hazards ("the storm") beginning December 1, 2007 causing significant  
7                   damage to homes and other property, and

8                   WHEREAS, the executive, on December 4, 2007, declared a storm emergency for  
9                   King County, and

10                  WHEREAS, disposal of solid waste material resulting from the storm at normal  
11                  disposal fees would cause financial hardship for many property owners and could delay  
12                  the cleanup of debris, and

13                  WHEREAS, all of King County will benefit from the prompt cleanup of debris  
14                  caused by the storm, and

15                  WHEREAS, the executive, on December 6, 2007, called for a temporary waiver  
16                  of solid waste fees for the disposal of storm-related debris at county disposal sites  
17                  beginning December 13, 2007 and ending December 16, 2007, and

18 WHEREAS, the estimated loss of revenue resulting from the temporary solid  
19 waste disposal fee waiver is approximately \$50,000;

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

21 A. The King County council, in light of the storm emergency that has occurred  
22 beginning December 1, 2007, affirms that it is in the best interest of the county to waive  
23 the solid waste disposal service fees provided for in KCC 10.12.021, and hereby  
24 temporarily waives such fees for storm-related debris resulting from the storm of  
25 December 2007.

26 B. Loads of storm-related debris from commercial haulers will not be accepted at  
27 no charge without prior authorization by the division director of the King County solid  
28 waste division. For jurisdictions that have drop boxes, commercial haulers may seek  
29 authorization from the solid waste division to dispose of storm related debris at no  
30 charge. These jurisdictions may also seek reimbursement from the county for any  
31 transport costs for this storm event.

32 C. This temporary fee suspension is only authorized from December 13, 2007,  
33 through December 16, 2007.

34 D. The following special conditions apply to the temporary suspension of the  
35 disposal fee for storm-related debris:

36 1. All King County residents are eligible, except those who live in the cities of  
37 Seattle and Milton, which are not part of King County's solid waste handling system;

38 2. King County residents must provide acceptable proof of residence such as a  
39 current utility bill or other piece of mail containing the resident's current address;

40           3. All loads must be properly secured; unsecured loads will be subject to  
41 unsecured load fees in accordance with K.C.C. 10.12.040;

42           4. Loads of storm-related debris may be inspected by King County solid waste  
43 division staff, and division staff reserve the right to limit quantities disposed without  
44 charge;

45           5. Only storm-related debris may be disposed at no charge; split loads of mixed  
46 storm-related debris and regular solid waste will be charged at the regular solid waste  
47 disposal rate; and

48           6. All standard King County waste acceptance policies apply, which are K.C.C.  
49 Title 10 and King County Public Rules and Regulations: Waste Acceptance Rule for  
50 King County Solid Waste Division Solid Waste Handling Facilities, which can be found

51 as of the effective date of this motion at  
52 <http://www.metrokc.gov/recelec/archives/policies/put715pr.htm>.

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Motion 12657 was introduced on 12/10/2007 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 12/10/2007, by the following vote:

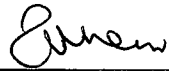
Yes: 8 - Mr. Gossett, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Phillips and Mr. Constantine  
No: 0  
Excused: 1 - Ms. Hague

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Larry Gossett, Chair

ATTEST:



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Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

Attachments      None