



KING COUNTY

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Signature Report

March 15, 2018

Ordinance 18679

Proposed No. 2017-0431.2

Sponsors Gossett

1 AN ORDINANCE establishing a committee as a
2 coordinating body for emergency management issues
3 concerning the continued operation of King County
4 government during disasters and other emergencies; and
5 adding a new section to K.C.C. chapter 2A.310.

6 **PREAMBLE:**

7 Emergency management in King County is a process of preparing for,
8 mitigating against, responding to and recovering from an emergency or
9 disaster in our region. King County government recognizes the need to
10 prepare for emergencies that can impact employees, constituents and
11 operations.

12 Among the highest priorities is the continued delivery of critical
13 government services during times of crisis. Toward that end, King County
14 is seeking to strengthen its ability to prepare and respond in an effective,
15 coordinated fashion, on behalf of the millions of people who live and work
16 in King County.

17 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:**

18 **NEW SECTION. SECTION 1.** There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 2A.310

19 a new section to read as follows:

20 A. The King County emergency management coordinating committee is hereby
21 established. Except as otherwise provided by state law, the committee shall be the
22 coordinating body for emergency management issues concerning King County
23 government. The committee shall act in an advisory capacity to the office of emergency
24 management to promote, advise, assist and review emergency management issues and to
25 enhance preparedness for King County employees and the departments and other county
26 entities that they serve, on behalf of the county's residents and other constituents.

27 B. The committee shall be composed of members drawn from within King
28 County government and may include, but not be limited to, at least one representative
29 from each county department and agency and the office of emergency management, as
30 determined appropriate by the head of each department or agency.

31 C. The committee shall:

32 1. Address issues and concerns relating to emergency preparedness, planning
33 and response brought forward by members on behalf of the department or agency they
34 represent;

35 2. Assist in the review, development and maintenance of the King County
36 Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan;

37 3. Assist in the review, development and maintenance of department and agency
38 continuity of operations plans;

39 4. Participate in regional strategic planning to identify and document objectives
40 that will strengthen resilience;

41 5. Provide input to the Federal Emergency Management Agency's annual Core
42 Capabilities assessment and the analysis and documentation of strategic planning

43 accomplishments and gaps; and

44 6. Assist in the review, development and maintenance of any other plans,
45 programs, rules and policies concerning emergency management, as requested by the
46 office of emergency management and consistent with state law.

47 D. The office of emergency management shall provide staffing, develop work
48 plans and provide other resources to effectively support the work of the committee and its
49 activities.

50 E. The work of the committee shall be provided to the executive and the council
51 annually, as part of the office of emergency management's annual report.
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Ordinance 18679 was introduced on 10/23/2017 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 3/12/2018, by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Dunn, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Upthegrove, Ms. Kohl-Welles and Ms. Balducci
No: 0
Excused: 1 - Mr. Gossett

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

J. Joseph McDermott, Chair

ATTEST:

Melani Pedroza, Clerk of the Council



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APPROVED this 15 day of MARCH, 2018.

Dow Constantine, County Executive

Attachments: None