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Joe McDermott, Chair, Metropolitan King County Council and Pete von Reichbauer, Chair, Government Accountability and Oversight Committee:

I am pleased to transmit proposed code updates for the King County Auditor's Office.

We are proposing these changes to modernize and clarify code language that is, in some cases, more than 40 years old. There are two additional drivers for the update: 1) revisions to the standards to which our office is held by code and best practice, the Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards, require some changes; and 2) these proposed changes provide a recommended change to the Transit Audit Function as required in KCC 2.20.039 (F).

The Auditor's Office proposes these changes to further our work performing objective, independent audits, capital projects oversight, and studies. These activities advance performance, accountability, transparency, and equity of King County government, promote due diligence, and serve the public interest.

We appreciate the Metropolitan King County Council's ongoing commitment and support of the work of the Auditor's Office.

Sincerely,

Kymber Waltmunson King County Auditor

cc: Metropolitan King County Councilmembers

Dow Constantine, King County Executive Melanie Pedroza, Clerk of the Council