

## **KING COUNTY**

1200 King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Seattle, WA 98104

# Signature Report

### September 9, 2009

#### Ordinance 16646

**Proposed No.** 2009-0200.3 Sponsors Hague, Phillips and Lambert 1 AN ORDINANCE relating to the management of solid 2 waste, and implementing an emergency storm debris 3 voucher program; and amending Ordinance 800, Section 5, 4 as amended, and K.C.C. 10.12.050. 5 6 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY: 7 SECTION 1. Ordinance 800, Section 5, as amended, and K.C.C. 10.12.050 are 8 each hereby amended to read as follows: 9 Payment of the service fee may not be required of a user in the following 10 circumstances: 11 A. When that user is engaged in a community litter clean-up campaign, but only 12 if prior authorization has been secured in writing from the solid waste division director 13 and records of use and tonnages or volumes are maintained; or 14 B. When the executive ((or the council)) has ((declared)) proclaimed that ((a 15 natural disaster or other)) an emergency has occurred, in accordance with K.C.C. chapter 16 12.52, and ((as a result deems it in the best interest of the county to)) either the executive, 17 or the council by motion, waives the service fees. Any such an action must identify the

((cause of the emergency, the length)) duration of the fee waiver and any special
conditions placed on the waiver. ((If such action is taken by the executive and the
executive proposes that the waiver continue beyond the date of the next regularly
scheduled council meeting, the executive must report to the council by the time of that
meeting the estimated loss of revenue resulting from the fee waiver and the council must
approve the continuation of the waiver by motion.)) If the council ((initiates the fee
waiver, it must do so)) waive the fees by motion, ((on which)) the executive ((has had))
must have a reasonable opportunity to comment on the proposed motion. The solid waste
division director shall implement the fee waiver, consistent with any special conditions,
by waiving disposal fees at one or more transfer stations, by providing drop boxes to be
used for disposal, by distributing vouchers for disposal or by other appropriate means, as
determined by the solid waste division to promote prompt clean-up following an
emergency. The solid waste division may limit the number of waivers per residence to a
particular time as well as limit the volume and frequency of waste disposal and the types
of materials accepted, and may implement such other requirements as are necessary to
implement the waiver as directed by the executive or the council. For every fee waiver
approved in accordance with this section, the solid waste division shall provide the
council a report containing information regarding the waiver, including approximate
tonnage accepted and estimated loss of revenue. Within one hundred twenty days of the
final date of the fee waiver, the executive shall file eleven copies of the report with the
clerk of the council for distribution to all councilmembers.
SECTION 2. A. The executive shall prepare an anticipated storm debris

management summary for the 2009/2010 storm season. The summary shall describe how

41	the solid waste division will handle debris management if an emergency is proclaimed.
42	The summary shall include, but is not limited to, the possible application of a solid waste
43	fee waiver associated with an emergency proclamation.
44	B. The executive shall provide the anticipated storm debris management
45	summary for the 2009/2010 storm season to the council by November 19, 2009. Eleven
46	copies shall be filed with the clerk of the council, for distribution to all councilmembers.
47	SECTION 3. A. The executive shall recommend policies regarding the
48	management of debris generated as the result of an earthquake, windstorm, snowstorm,
49	flood or other emergency for which the executive or the council has issued an emergency
50	proclamation. The policies shall address at least the following:
51	1. The role of the county to provide emergency debris management;
52	2. The role of the cites who are participants in the King County solid waste
53	system to provide emergency debris management;
54	3. The role of waste haulers to provide emergency debris management;
55	4. Provisions for the identification of temporary debris management sites;
56	5. Provisions to protect human health and the environment by continuing to
57	comply with local, state and federal laws while managing debris generated by an
58	emergency;
59	6. Where the county waives disposal fees for debris accumulated as a result of an
60	emergency, specification of the eligible parties to whom the waiver applies, including
61	specification that the waiver applies only to residents of the King County solid waste
62	system service area; and

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63	7. Evaluation of the establishment of a King County solid waste system
64	emergency relief reserve account, that would support and account for expenses associated
65	with debris generated by an emergency.
66	B. The executive shall report interim recommended policies to the council by
67	February 19, 2010, and submit a final report of recommended policies by July 15, 2010.
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Ordinance 16646 was introduced on 3/16/2009 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 9/8/2009, by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mr. Constantine, Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Hague, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett and Mr. Phillips

No: 0

Excused: 2 - Ms. Patterson and Mr. Dunn

KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Dow Constantine, Chair

ATTEST:

Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 17 day of September , 2009.

Kurt Triplett, County Executive

Attachments

None