

KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

October 6, 2009

Ordinance 16677

Proposed No. 2009-0581.1

Sponsors Hague and Lambert

1	AN ORDINANCE related to county automotive parking
2	facilities, authorizing parking at county expense for
3	employees working on certain time-sensitive projects;
4	amending Ordinance 15648, Section 2, and K.C.C.
5	3.32.006; and declaring an emergency.
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7	STATEMENT OF FACTS:
8	1. County employees currently are authorized to park in the county
9	automotive parking facilities at county expense when this is for the
10	business convenience of the county. The current definition of business
11	convenience includes after hours parking for all employees but does not
12	include parking during business hours for most employees.
13	2. Some employees are required to be at work early or late to work for a
14	specified and limited period of time on a time-sensitive project. In these
15	cases it would be a significant disruption to urgent agency business if
16	these employees needed to leave the workplace either to move their

17	private vehicles or to return home to obtain their private vehicles and then
18	return to park in county automotive parking facilities for after hours work.
19	3. To ensure that time-sensitive agency functions are not disrupted under
20	these circumstances, it is necessary to amend K.C.C. 3.32.006 to authorize
21	county payment of day parking of employees under strictly limited
22	conditions.
23	BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:
24	SECTION 1. Ordinance 15648, Section 2, and K.C.C. 3.32.006 are each hereby
25	amended to read as follows:
26	The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context
27	clearly requires otherwise.
28	A. "After hours parking" means parking for employees whose normal work shifts
29	begin after 1:30 p.m. and end between 9:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. or who are required to
30	come into work after 4:30 p.m. "After hours parking" also includes parking on weekends
31	and holidays that is required by the employee's agency.
32	B. "Business convenience" means a county business-related requirement. For
33	purposes of this chapter, "a county business-related requirement" includes after hours
34	parking for county employees, parking for commissioned sheriff's office personnel,
35	parking for county employees working for a specified and limited period on a time-
36	sensitive project that requires them to arrive before or stay after regular work hours and
37	for county employees who are required as part of their jobs to use their private vehicles to
88	routinely travel to multiple county business locations and parking for county-owned
39	vehicles.

40	C. "County automotive parking facility" means:
41	1. The Goat Hill parking garage located at Sixth Avenue and Jefferson in
42	Seattle;
43	2. The parking structure located at the regional justice center in Kent;
44	3. County adult detention center parking facilities located at Fifth Avenue and
45	James in Seattle;
46	4. Open surface lots that are owned or leased by the county; and
47	5. The New County Office Building parking located at Sixth Avenue and
48	Jefferson in Seattle.
49	D. "Director" means the director of the county department of executive services
50	and his or her successor or designee, unless otherwise specified in this chapter.
51	E. "Public parking" means general purpose parking by persons who are not
52	county employees and by county employees that park for less than a full day.
53	SECTION 2. The council finds as a fact and declares that an emergency exists
54	and that the enactment of this ordinance as an emergency ordinance is necessary for the
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immediate preservation of public peace, health or safety or for the support of county
government and its existing public institutions.

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Ordinance 16677 was introduced on 10/5/2009 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 10/5/2009, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Mr. Constantine, Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Hague, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Patterson and Mr. Dunn

No: 0 Excused: 0

> KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Dow Constantine, Chair

ATTEST:

Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

Attachments None