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Letter--King county Superior Court and the Department of Judicial Administration Fee Proviso Report--April 2011.doc, 4. FeeUpdateForDJA&SuperiorCourt.pdf, 5. Staff Report 07-19-11, 6. Revised Staff

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7/25/2011	2	Metropolitan King County Council	Passed	Pass
7/19/2011	1	Budget and Fiscal Management Committee	Recommended Do Pass Substitute Consent	Pass
6/13/2011	1	Metropolitan King County Council	Introduced and Referred	

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STATEMENT OF FACTS:

1. The existing code on revenue and financial regulation, K.C.C. Title 4, was created for the

most part in the 1970s and 1980s, though some provisions date back to at least the 1940s.

- 2. Since the creation of K.C.C. Title 4, the title has been subject to many amendments each year. The cumulative effect of these amendments has been to create ambiguities and conflicts within the title, which make it difficult to apply the code effectively and predictably.
- 3. The council is performing a comprehensive review of K.C.C. Title 4 to reflect current practices, including the implementation of the new county financial system, as well as the King County Strategic Plan, 2010-2014: Working Together for One King County.
- 4. The council determines that a new title on revenue and financial regulation, K.C.C. Title 4A, should be created, and material related to revenue and financial matters be codified in that title, and all other material in K.C.C. Title 4 that is not appropriate to be codified K.C.C. Title 4A should be codified in the appropriate titles.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. **Findings:** With this ordinance, the executive has responded to the provisos in the 2011 Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 16984, Section 31, Proviso P1, and Section 34, Proviso P1.

SECTION 2. In accordance with Section 880 of the King County Charter, there is adopted Title 4A of the King County Code.

SECTION 3. There is hereby established a new chapter in K.C.C. Title 4A. This new chapter shall contain K.C.C. 4.71.010, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.71.050, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.71.060, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.71.070, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.71.109, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.71.115, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.71.120, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.71.150, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.71.200, as recodified by this ordinance, 4.73.010, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.76.010, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.78.010, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.83.010, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.83.030, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C.

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<u>SECTION 4.</u> K.C.C. 4.71.010, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 3 of this ordinance.

SECTION 5. Ordinance 9349, Section 1, and K.C.C. 4.71.010 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

The department of judicial administration is hereby authorized to assess a fee for providing forms used in King County ((S))superior ((C))court. The charge shall be fifty cents per page to cover all costs associated with forms' creation and distribution.

<u>SECTION 6.</u> K.C.C. 4.71.050 and K.C.C. 4.71.060 are each hereby recodified as new sections in the new chapter established in section 3 of this ordinance.

<u>SECTION 7.</u> K.C.C. 4.71.070, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 3 of this ordinance.

SECTION 8. Ordinance 13330, Section 20, and K.C.C. 4.71.070 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

The department of judicial administration is hereby authorized to assess a fee for issuance of civil warrants, subpoenas and citations, and for each document needing a clerk's seal. <u>In accordance with RCW 36.18.050</u>, ((Ŧ))the fee assessed for issuance of civil warrants, subpoenas and citations shall be ((twenty dollars)) the same as the fee established for the issuance of a writ of attachment as specified in RCW 36.18.016.

<u>SECTION 9.</u> K.C.C. 4.71.090, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 3 of this ordinance.

<u>SECTION 10.</u> K.C.C. 4.71.100, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 3 of this ordinance.

SECTION 11. Ordinance 8752, Sections 1 through 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.71.100 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

- ((A.)) The department of judicial administration is hereby authorized to assess a fee to anyone who files a document that requires special handling because of errors, failure to follow court rules or statutes or lack of completeness. The department shall make the decision to return the document to the filer on a case-by-case basis.
- ((B.)) The fee assessed for a document that requires extra handling because of errors, failure to follow court rules or statutes or lack of completeness shall be fifteen dollars for each incorrect or incomplete document to cover all costs of the extra handling required.

((C. The department of judicial administration shall establish a procedure for the collection of the fee.))

SECTION 12. K.C.C. 4.71.115 and K.C.C. 4.71.120 are each hereby recodified as new sections in the new chapter established in section 3 of this ordinance.

<u>SECTION 13.</u> K.C.C. 4.71.150, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 3 of this ordinance.

SECTION 14. Ordinance 13990, Section 2, and K.C.C. 4.71.150 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

The department of judicial administration is hereby authorized to assess a fee for the service of bulk user access to superior court records managed by the department of judicial administration. The fee assessed shall be two hundred fifty dollars per year, to cover the costs associated with providing this service. A fee of twenty-five dollars per month shall be charged to users who do not require bulk access for an entire year. ((The department of judicial administration shall establish a procedure for the collection of these fees.))

SECTION 15. K.C.C. 4.71.200 is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 3 of this ordinance.

SECTION 16. K.C.C. 4.73.010, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in

the new chapter established in section 3 of this ordinance.

SECTION 17. Ordinance 9774, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.73.010 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

The department of judicial administration is hereby authorized to assess a fee for providing noncertified copies of legal case files. ((The charge shall be fifty cents per page to cover all costs associated with legal case file copying. Documents printed at one of the department's facilities from the department's electronic court record system and microfilm shall be twenty five cents per page.)) Self-service copies from hard copy, also known as paper, files or copied remotely using the department's online electronic court record system from a site outside the department's facilities shall be fifteen cents per page. The department of judicial administration shall establish a procedure for the collection of the fees in this section.

<u>SECTION 18.</u> K.C.C. 4.76.010, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 3 of this ordinance.

SECTION 19. Ordinance 6242, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.76.010 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

- A. The department of judicial administration is hereby authorized to assess service fees for reimbursement for the actual costs incurred by the county to process trust payments through the superior court registry.
 - B. The following fees may be assessed:
- 1. Two dollars per payment if a child support payment greater than twenty-five dollars and less than or equal to one hundred and fifty dollars is made and;
- 2. Ten dollars per payment for all child support payments exceeding one hundred and fifty dollars and for all other types of payments which exceed twenty-five dollars;
- C. ((The department of judicial administration, having fully complied with K.C.C. chapter 2.98, is authorized to implement procedures, for cause, to waive all or part of the fees based on an applicant's showing

of bona fide hardship. The service fees shall be the responsibility of the party making a payment of funds to be held in trust by the department of judicial administration. In the event that the party responsible to pay the service fee fails to do so, or is delinquent in paying fees, the department shall not delay the disbursement of trust payments or in any monetary way penalize the recipients of the trust payments because of the failure or delinquency.)) This section applies to all payments received for processing through the superior court registry, except for any payment whose processing costs are otherwise reimbursed to the county from other sources.

SECTION 20. K.C.C. 4.79.010, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 3 of this ordinance.

SECTION 21. Ordinance 11136, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.79.010 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

The ((King County council hereby establishes)) department of judicial administration is authorized to assess a surcharge of twenty dollars to superior court filing fees for domestic relations cases filed under Title 26 RCW ((and user fees including a charge of fifty cents per page for forms)), to be used for funding the courthouse facilitator program which provides basic services to pro se litigants in family law cases. ((This surcharge shall be collected by the superior court and the clerk of the superior court, which shall establish a procedure for collection and segregation of this surcharge in accordance with chapter 26.12 RCW.))

SECTION 22. K.C.C. 4.83.010, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 3 of this ordinance.

SECTION 23. Ordinance 13662, Section 9, and K.C.C. 4.83.010 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

- ((A.)) The department of judicial administration is hereby authorized to assess a fee for the service of providing a voucher system for payment of services provided by the department.
- ((B.)) The fee assessed shall be ten percent of the yearly charges to the voucher account, to cover some of the expenses involved in processing the vouchers and sending invoices.

- ((C. The department of judicial administration shall establish a procedure for the collection of these facts.))
- SECTION 24. K.C.C. 4.83.030, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 3 of this ordinance.
- SECTION 25. Ordinance 14905, Section 15, and K.C.C. 4.83.030 are each hereby amended to read as follows:
- ((A.)) The department of judicial administration is hereby authorized to assess a fee for the disposal of court exhibits not withdrawn by the parties forty-five to ninety days following case completion. This fee is assessed ((pursuant to)) in accordance with RCW 36.18.016(10).
 - $((B_{-}))$ The fee assessed shall be twenty dollars.
 - ((C. The department of judicial administration shall establish a procedure for the collection of the fee.))
- SECTION 26. K.C.C. 4.83.040, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 3 of this ordinance.
- SECTION 27. Ordinance 14905, Section 17, and K.C.C. 4.83.040 are each hereby amended to read as follows:
- ((A.)) The department of judicial administration is hereby authorized to assess a fee for the conversion of items that are inappropriate for filing in the court file to file exhibits. This fee is assessed ((pursuant to)) in accordance with RCW 36.18.016(10).
 - $((B_{-}))$ The fee assessed shall be twenty dollars.
 - ((C. The department of judicial administration shall establish a procedure for the collection of the fee.))
- SECTION 28. K.C.C. 4.83.060, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 3 of this ordinance.
- SECTION 29. Ordinance 16290, Section 3, and K.C.C. 4.83.060 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

- ((A.)) The department of judicial administration is hereby authorized to assess a fee for providing clerk services on an expedited basis.
 - $((B_{-}))$ The fee assessed shall be thirty dollars.
 - ((C. The department of judicial administration shall establish a procedure for the collection of the fee.))
- SECTION 30. K.C.C. 4.83.070, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 3 of this ordinance.
- SECTION 31. Ordinance 16293, Section 3, and K.C.C. 4.83.070 are each hereby amended to read as follows:
- ((A.)) The department of judicial administration is hereby authorized to assess a fee for fulfilling customer requests via the mail.
- ((B-)) The fee assessed shall be seven dollars per transaction and unless postage is provided by the customer, postage will be charged at a rate of three dollars per transaction.
 - ((C. The department of judicial administration shall establish a procedure for the collection of the fee.))
- SECTION 32. K.C.C. 4.83.080, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 3 of this ordinance.
- SECTION 33. Ordinance 16297, Section 3, and K.C.C. 4.83.080 are each hereby amended to read as follows:
- ((A.)) The department of judicial administration is hereby authorized to assess and collect a fee for preparing and providing copies of documents to the court. This fee only applies when documents have been electronically submitted to the clerk by parties who wish to have copies provided to the respective judicial officer.
 - ((B.)) The fee assessed shall be twenty dollars per submission.
 - ((C. The department of judicial administration shall establish a procedure for the collection of the fee.))
 SECTION 34. K.C.C. 4.83.090, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in

the new chapter established in section 3 of this ordinance.

SECTION 35. Ordinance 16968, Section 3, and K.C.C. 4.83.090 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

- ((A.)) The department of judicial administration is hereby authorized to assess and collect a fee for preparing and providing a report of new cases filed in superior court or new judgments filed in superior court.
 - ((B.)) The fee shall be five dollars per report.
 - ((C. The department of judicial administration shall establish a procedure for the collection of this fee.))

SECTION 36. K.C.C. 4.71.030, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 3 of this ordinance.

SECTION 37. Ordinance 9349, Section 3, and K.C.C. 4.71.030 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

The department of judicial administration shall establish a procedure for the collection of ((this)) the fee s in this chapter.

<u>NEW SECTION. SECTION 38.</u> There is hereby added to the new chapter established in section 3 of this ordinance a new section to read as follows:

The department of judicial administration is authorized to waive all or part of the fees authorized in the chapter.

SECTION 39. There is hereby established a new chapter in K.C.C. Title 4A. This new chapter shall contain K.C.C. 4.72.010, as recodified by this ordinance, section 42 of this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.72.020, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.72.021, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.72.022, as recodified by this ordinance, 4.72.025, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.72.026, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.72.027, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.72.028, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.72.032, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.72.034, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.72.042, as recodified by this ordinance, 4.72.045, as recodified by this ordinance, section 58 of this ordinance and section

59 of this ordinance.

SECTION 40. K.C.C. 4.72.010, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 39 of this ordinance.

SECTION 41. Ordinance 6241, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.72.010 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

The purpose of this chapter is to authorize the superior court ((through the department of judicial administration)) to assess ((service)) fees for reimbursement ((for the actual)) of costs incurred by the county for: adoption services including flat search fee, consultation(($_{5}$)) and confirmation of consents(($_{5}$ postplacement study, step-parent adoption, new baby study, temporary study, in-home study, complete adoption)); ((and for)) dissolution services including: ((mediation)) orientation, mediation, one party and two party evaluations, witness fees for testimony provided by family court services staff, ((paternity services including one party and two party evaluations)); ((for)) and marriage waivers((; and for marriage reconciliation services not pertaining to a pending dissolution)). Such service fees shall be the responsibility of the party or parties requesting the service.

<u>NEW SECTION. SECTION 42.</u> There is hereby added to the new chapter established in section 39 of this ordinance a new section to read as follows:

The superior court is authorized to charge a fee for providing forms. The charge shall be fifty cents per page.

SECTION 43. K.C.C. 4.72.020, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 39 of this ordinance.

SECTION 44. Ordinance 6241, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.72.020 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

Fees for family court services dissolution matters are established as follows:

((A.)) The ((department of judicial administration)) superior court shall prepare ((and adopt)) a fee

schedule charging no more than two hundred dollars, per hour, for:

- ((1.)) A. Dissolution services including:
- 1. Mediation and evaluation orientation;
- ((b.)) 2. ((m)) Mediation services;
- ((e.)) 3. ((conciliation)) Evaluation services;
- ((d.)) <u>4.</u> ((d))<u>D</u>issolution one and two party evaluations;
- $((e_{-}))$ 5. ((w))Witness fees for court testimony provided by family court services staff; and
- ((f. paternity services including evaluations; and
- g.)) 6. ((m)) Marriage waivers.
- ((B. The department of judicial administration is authorized to implement procedures, for cause, to waive all or part of the fees based on an applicant's showing of bona fide hardship. Collection of the service fee shall be the responsibility of the superior court and the department of judicial administration. Should it prove necessary, the prosecuting attorney shall assist the department of judicial administration, the superior court and the clerk of the superior court in collection of the fees.))
- SECTION 45. K.C.C. 4.72.021, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 39 of this ordinance.
- SECTION 46. Ordinance 16982, Section 4, and K.C.C. 4.72.021 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

Fees for family court services adoption matters are established as follows:

- ((A.)) The ((department of judicial administration)) superior court shall prepare ((and adopt)) a fee schedule charging no more than one hundred fifty dollars, per hour, for((:
 - 1. A))adoption services, including:
 - ((a.)) A. ((e)) Confirmation of birth parent consent reports in all independent nonagency adoptions;
 - $((b_{-}))$ B. ((s))Stepparent adoption reports; and

((e.)) C. ((e))Other services as ordered by the court; and

((B. The department of judicial administration is authorized to implement procedures, for cause, to waive all or part of the fees based on an applicant's showing of bona fide hardship. Collection of the service fee shall be the responsibility of the superior court and the department of judicial administration. Should it prove necessary, the prosecuting attorney shall assist the department of judicial administration, the superior court and the clerk of the superior court in collection of the fees.))

SECTION 47. K.C.C. 4.72.022 is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 39 of this ordinance.

<u>SECTION 48.</u> K.C.C. 4.72.025, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 39 of this ordinance.

SECTION 49. Ordinance 10643, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.72.025 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

The superior court ((and the clerk of the superior court)) shall assess a flat search fee for each adoption case record search at the rate established by RCW 36.18.020. ((The superior court and the clerk of the superior court shall establish a procedure for the collection of this fee.))

SECTION 50. K.C.C. 4.72.026, K.C.C. 4.72.027 and K.C.C. 4.72.028 are each hereby recodified as new sections in the new chapter established in section 39 of this ordinance.

SECTION 51. K.C.C. 4.72.032, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 39 of this ordinance.

SECTION 52. Ordinance 16305, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.72.032 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

- ((A.)) A fee of thirty dollars is imposed for services rendered to review documentation related to domestic cases before finalization, in accordance with RCW 26.12.240.
 - (B. The department of judicial administration is authorized to implement procedures, in accordance

with K.C.C. chapter 2.98, to waive all or part of the fees based on an applicant's showing of bona fide hardship. Collection of the fee shall be the responsibility of the superior court and the department of judicial administration. Should it prove necessary, the prosecuting attorney shall assist the department of judicial administration, superior court and the clerk of the superior court in collection of the fees.))

SECTION 53. K.C.C. 4.72.034, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 39 of this ordinance.

SECTION 54. Ordinance 16306, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.72.034 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

<u>A.</u> The superior court is hereby authorized to charge a user fee of up to thirty dollars per visit for facilitator services, as authorized under RCW 26.12.240.

((A.)) <u>B.</u> A ((user)) fee of thirty dollars is imposed ((per visit)) for facilitator services rendered to review documentation related to domestic cases before finalization, in accordance with RCW 26.12.240.

((B. The department of judicial administration is authorized to implement procedures, in accordance with K.C.C. chapter 2.98, to waive all or part of the fees based on an applicant's showing of bona fide hardship. Collection of the user fee shall be the responsibility of the superior court and the department of judicial administration. Should it prove necessary, the prosecuting attorney shall assist the department of judicial administration, superior court and the clerk of the superior court in collection of the fees.))

SECTION 55. K.C.C. 4.72.042 is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 39 of this ordinance.

SECTION 56. K.C.C. 4.72.045, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 39 of this ordinance.

SECTION 57. Ordinance 6241, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.72.045 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

((A.)) The superior court is hereby authorized to charge a fee of up to twenty dollars per person to

attend a family law orientation provided by King County superior court family court operations. <u>This fee is authorized by RCW 26.12.260, 26.12.220 and 26.12.240.</u>

((B. The department of judicial administration is authorized to implement and adopt procedures to waive all or part of the fees based on the applicant's showing that the applicant is indigent. Collection of the fee shall be the responsibility of superior court and the department of judicial administration. Should it prove necessary, the prosecuting attorney shall assist the department of judicial administration and the superior court in the collection of the fees.))

<u>NEW SECTION. SECTION 58.</u> There is hereby added to the new chapter established in section 39 of this ordinance a new section to read as follows:

The superior court is authorized to waive all or part of the fees authorized in this chapter based on the parties' ability to pay.

<u>NEW SECTION. SECTION 59.</u> There is hereby added to the new chapter established in section 39 of this ordinance a new section to read as follows:

The superior court is responsible for collection of fees authorized in this chapter.

SECTION 60. There is hereby established a new chapter in K.C.C. Title 4A. This new chapter shall contain K.C.C. 4.82.010, as recodified by this ordinance, K.C.C. 4.82.020, as recodified by this ordinance, and K.C.C. 4.79.020, as recodified by this ordinance.

SECTION 61. K.C.C. 4.79.020, as amended by this ordinance, is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 60 of this ordinance.

SECTION 62. K.C.C. 4.79.020 is hereby recodified as a new section in the new chapter established in section 57 of this ordinance.

<u>SECTION 63.</u> The following are hereby repealed:

- A. Ordinance 9348, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.70.010;
- B. Ordinance 9348, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.70.020;

- C. Ordinance 9348, Section 3, and K.C.C. 4.70.030;
- D. Ordinance 9349, Section 2, and K.C.C. 4.71.020;
- E. Ordinance 13330, Section 14, and K.C.C. 4.71.040;
- F. Ordinance 13330, Section 22, and K.C.C. 4.71.080;
- G. Ordinance 13562, Section 2, and K.C.C. 4.71.110;
- H. Ordinance 13642, Section 1, and K.C.C. 4.71.130;
- I. Ordinance 13662, Section 6, and K.C.C. 4.71.140;
- J. Ordinance 13995, Section 2, and K.C.C. 4.71.160;
- K. Ordinance 6241, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.72.100;
- L. Ordinance 10008, Section 1, and K.C.C. 4.74.010;
- M. Ordinance 6242, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.76.020;
- N. Ordinance 6242, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.76.030;
- O. Ordinance 6242, Section 4, and K.C.C. 4.76.040;
- P. Ordinance 8364, Section 1, and K.C.C. 4.78.010;
- Q. Ordinance 8364, Section 2, and K.C.C. 4.78.020;
- R. Ordinance 8364, Section 3, and K.C.C. 4.78.030;
- S. Ordinance 8364, Section 4, and K.C.C. 4.78.040; and
- T. Ordinance 13662, Section 11, and K.C.C. 4.83.020.