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AN ORDINANCE adopting the service improvement plan guiding the management and expenditure of the proceeds from the veterans and human services levy, as required by Ordinance 15406.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Findings:

A. The metropolitan King County council approved Ordinance 15279, placing on the ballot a measure to create a regional health and human services fund to benefit veterans and their families and other residents in need. Council Ordinance 15279 became Proposition No. 1: Veterans and Human Services Levy. In November 2005, the voters of King County approved the levy.

B. In April 2006, the metropolitan King County council approved Ordinance 15406, "An ordinance providing direction regarding the expenditure of proceeds from the regional human services levy for veterans and others in need" and calling for the creation of a service improvement plan to guide the use of the funds.

SECTION 2. Service improvement plan. The service improvement plan, as required in Ordinance 15406 and that is Attachment A to this ordinance, is hereby adopted to guide the management and expenditure of the proceeds from the veterans and human services levy.

SECTION 3. Management and administration. The department of community and human services shall have lead responsibility for implementing the service improvement plan, with oversight from two advisory boards, and shall serve as the fund and administrative manager for the veterans and human services levy. Levy proceeds shall be divided in half and deposited in two separate funds, a veterans services levy fund

and a regional health and human services levy fund. The department shall work in cooperation with other county departments and branches of government and the levy advisory boards to ensure the goals and objectives of the levy are achieved.

**SECTION 4. Procurement of services.** The department of community and human services shall develop procurement plans in consultation with other funding agencies and shall review these plans with the veterans and regional human services oversight boards before initiating provider selection and contracting processes. The plans for each service improvement strategy shall include expected outcomes and other criteria based on best practices and needs assessment information and shall include consideration of the need for geographic, cultural and linguistic access and the composition of proposal review panels. The department of community and human services shall convene the proposal review panels and assure their membership contains appropriate technical expertise and oversight board representation and avoids conflicts of interest.

**SECTION 5. Annual reporting.** By June 1, 2007, and each year thereafter through 2011, the department of community and human services or its successor shall prepare and the executive submit to the council and regional policy committee for review and acceptance by motion an annual progress report on the implementation of the King County Veterans and Human Services Levy Service Improvement Plan.

A. The initial progress report shall include:

1. A description of how service improvements have been procured to date and the status of service and project implementation;
2. A detailed evaluation plan laying out the process, content, schedule and annual report format for implementation, provider performance and outcome evaluation for each of the service and capital improvement areas;
3. An updated financial plan showing actual and projected revenue and expenditures for the veterans and regional human services funds for each year of the levy and explaining changes from the previous year's financial plan; and

4. A report or reports from the oversight boards regarding their assessment of progress and any recommendations they may have for improvement of levy program operations and results.

B. Subsequent progress reports shall include the annual evaluation report, the updated financial plan with an explanation of changes and the report from the oversight boards and shall address action taken to correct poor performance and adjust or reprioritize strategies that do not achieve desired results.

SECTION 6. Annual council budget review. The levy service improvement financial plan, including the next year's projected allocations by service improvement strategy, is subject to review and possible modification in the annual budget process.