

King County

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A MOTION approving the adult detention operational master plan as requested in the 2003 Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 14517, and Ordinance 14889.

WHEREAS, the transmittal of this motion complies with provisions in the 2003 Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 14517, and Ordinance 14889, and

WHEREAS, consistent with Motion 11696, the operational master plan advisory group, comprised of representatives from the executive and legislative branches, assisted with the selection of the consultant for the adult detention operational master plan ("OMP"), with the identification of key issues for the operational master plan and with the review of the draft reports and findings, and

WHEREAS, based on an extensive review of department operations, the consultant in the adult detention operational master plan offers a wide array of concepts and options, the most promising of which could lead to improvements in operations and reductions in costs, and

WHEREAS, though the OMP is an excellent and important document, not every recommendation will be supported by the executive and some items such as the recommendations for contracting out are not consistent with current county policy, and

WHEREAS, jail operations are risky and complicated and the consequences of an escape, serious assault, or death are severe for the safety of the public, county staff and those citizens detained in King County facilities care, and

WHEREAS, to avoid any potential human and financial toll of prematurely implementing OMP concepts, the department of adult and juvenile detention ("DAJD") will prioritize operating safe and secure

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facilities to avoid any potential human and financial impacts as it implements the steps and concepts recommended in the OMP, and

WHEREAS, in compliance with Ordinances 14517 and 14889, the executive has transmitted the phase 1 implementation plan which outlines the next steps for concepts and options that are feasible and consistent with current executive direction and adopted county policy while still allowing DAJD to run safe and secure detention facilities, and

WHEREAS, the phase 1 implementation plan states that the department of adult and juvenile detention will convene the operational master plan implementation advisory group, consisting of representatives from the executive and legislative branches, to review and provide feedback on the progress of implementing OMP options, and

WHEREAS, the phase 1 implementation plan also indicates that options with greatest potential for savings require the effective transition to a new administration for the department, the successful completion of the integrated security project in 2006, investments in other technology and detailed operational planning and testing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

The adult detention operational master plan, in substantially the form attached to this motion, is hereby approved.