AN ORDINANCE relating to passenger ferry service, revising passenger ferry fares; and amending Ordinance 17935, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C 4A.700.820.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

1. The 2015/2016 Biennium Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 17941, Section 94 adopted the marine division operating fund budget.

2. As part of the budget, the council adopted the marine division's financial plan, which included new revenue from a proposed fare increase to take place in 2016.

3. On November 20, 2014, Ordinance 17935 was enacted, which assumed the governance of the King County ferry district, added new sections to the King County Code, assumed the ferry fare policies of the King County ferry district, and adopted the passenger ferry fares for King County.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. A. Section 2 of this ordinance adopts fares for passenger ferries.

B. These fares are adopted pursuant to RCW 36.54.010 and RCW 36.54.120.

SECTION 2. Ordinance 17935, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.700.820 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

A.1. Except as may otherwise be provided by ordinance, the following fare categories and rates are established for regularly scheduled passenger ferry service:

One-Way Water Taxi Fares	**West Seattle Water Taxi Route**	**Vashon Island Water Taxi Route**

Cash fare	$((~~5.25~~)) 5.75	$((~~6.25~~)) 6.75
Regular prepaid fare	$((~~4.50~~)) 5.00	$((~~5.25~~)) 5.75
Child fare	No Charge	No Charge
Youth prepaid fare	$((~~3.50~~)) 3.75	$((~~4.00~~)) 4.50
Senior and persons with disabilities fare	$((~~2.25~~)) 2.50	$((~~2.75~~)) 3.00
Bicycle fare	No Charge	No Charge
Low-income fare	$((~~3.50~~)) 3.75	$((~~4.00~~)) 4.50

2. The fare categories and rates are subject to, and defined by, the following:

a. All fares shall be established only for a one-way trip;

b. All fares shall be rounded up to the next whole twenty-five cent increment;

c. The cash fare is determined by adding a fifteen-percent surcharge to the regular prepaid fare and applies to cash and ticket purchases;

d. The regular prepaid fare is established as the base rate for persons nineteen years old and older using ORCA prepaid fare media;

e. The child fare is available to persons five years and under when accompanied by a parent, guardian or other person aged sixteen or older and paying the proper fare as set forth in this chapter;

f. The youth prepaid fare is available to persons from six through eighteen years old and persons over eighteen years old who receive valid student pass transit-fare products under K.C.C. 4A.700.450. The youth prepaid fare shall be twenty-five percent less than the regular prepaid fare;

g. The senior and persons with disabilities fare is available to persons who apply for and receive a regional reduced fare permit. The permits are available to persons at least sixty-five years old and persons with disabilities as provided in the regional reduced fare permit program authorized under K.C.C. 28.94.255;

h. A person with a disability who has been issued an "attendant ride free" permit as authorized under

K.C.C. 4A.700.010 may be accompanied by an attendant, who is not required to pay a fare;

i. A person who has paid fare may bring a bicycle onto a water taxi at no additional charge, up to the water taxi's bicycle capacity; and

j. The low-income fare is available to persons who apply for and are determined to meet the threshold eligibility requirements for the low-income transit fare program authorized under K.C.C. 4A.700.490 and receive a valid low-income transit fare product. The low-income fare shall be twenty-five percent less than the regular fare.

B. A fare in subsection A. of this section is paid when a person pays the appropriate amount in cash or presents an appropriate pass, transfer or other fare payment

media established under and used in accordance with this chapter.

SECTION 3. This ordinance takes effect March 1, 2018.

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