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AN ORDINANCE relating to the transfer of certain property located in the city of Seattle in exchange for certain property located at 400 Third Avenue in the city of Seattle.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

1. The city of Seattle has offered to transfer to King County certain real property known as City Hall park, located at 400 Third Avenue, Seattle, Washington.

2. City Hall park is directly adjacent to the King County Courthouse, and the executive has determined it to be in the best interest of the county to acquire City Hall park.

3. The city of Seattle and King County negotiated the transfer of certain real property owned by King County in exchange for City Hall park.

4. The city's use of the properties listed on Attachment A to this ordinance shall be limited by covenants, which hall run with the land for the benefit of the public, so that such properties shall continue to be used for either public open space, park or recreation and community facility purposes.

5. In accordance with chapter 39.33 RCW and K.C.C. 4.56.140.A., the county may dispose of county real property to another governmental agency and may acquire property for the county from another governmental agency by negotiation, upon such terms as may be agreed upon and for such consideration as may be deemed by the county to be adequate.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. **Findings:** It is in the interest of the county to enter into an intergovernmental land

transfer agreement substantially in the form of Attachment B to this ordinance and to acquire City Hall park.

SECTION 2. The executive is authorized to convey the property listed on Attachment A to this ordinance to the city of Seattle consistent with the terms set forth in an intergovernmental land transfer agreement substantially in the form of Attachment B to this ordinance and to take all actions necessary to implement the terms of the intergovernmental land transfer agreement.

SECTION 3. The executive shall facilitate a public process before any change in use of City Hall park in order to determine the ultimate use and programming of City Hall park and shall transmit a report describing engagement with neighborhood groups, business organizations and service providers in the area surrounding City Hall park and the results and recommendations of that public process. The executive should electronically file the report with the clerk of the council, who shall retain an electronic copy an provide an electronic copy to all councilmembers.

SECTION 4. The King County executive is hereby authorized to execute an intergovernmental land transfer agreement substantially in the form of Attachment B to
this ordinance, and to implement the terms of the agreement and to execute any documents necessary to carry out the transaction authorized by this ordinance.