

King County

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A MOTION acknowledging receipt of a report from the office of management and budget detailing a review of the feasibility of implementing changes in how the county uses its community corrections program.

WHEREAS, the county is mandated by constitutional, statutory and other requirements to provide secure detention and alternatives to incarceration, and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of King County to encourage alternatives to the use of secure detention for adult offenders in order to make the best use of limited detention resources and preserve public safety, and

WHEREAS, King County established the community corrections division of the department of adult and juvenile detention to provide alternatives to adult detention, and

WHEREAS, King County must ensure that it is effective and efficient in providing alternatives to secure detention, and

WHEREAS, changes to the way in which community corrections alternatives are utilized may lead to better utilization of existing community corrections program capacity, and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 15975, the 2008 King County Budget Ordinance, contains a proviso requiring the office of management and budget to work with representatives of the superior court, district court, office of the prosecuting attorney, office of the public defender, sheriff and the departments of adult and juvenile detention and community and human services, and review the current use of community corrections alternatives and programs and evaluate whether changes in screening, processing, sentencing or monitoring compliance could lead to better utilization of existing community corrections program capacity, and

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WHEREAS, the executive has transmitted to the council with this motion, a report developed collaboratively with county criminal justice system partners, that details a review of the feasibility of implementing changes in how the county uses its community corrections program;

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

The Use of Community Corrections Division Review - Report to King County Council, Attachment A to this motion, is hereby acknowledged as received.