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A MOTION accepting the status report for the Law, Safety and Justice Integration program.

WHEREAS, the county is committed to protecting public safety and ensuring a just, fair, efficient, effective and functioning criminal justice system, and

WHEREAS, services required by state law consist largely of those services related to the criminal justice system, which is law enforcement, courts, adult and juvenile detention, prosecution, indigent defense and some services related to public health, and

WHEREAS, the elements of the county criminal justice system are the responsibility of separately elected officials, including the executive, fifty-one superior court judges, twenty-six district court judges, the prosecuting attorney and the sheriff, and

WHEREAS, within those operations, the county functions as a regional service provider to municipal jurisdictions, particularly in the areas of detention, criminal prosecution and the courts, and

WHEREAS, recent events have proven that effective access to criminal information and criminal case management information improves the capabilities of law enforcement and public safety officials, and

WHEREAS, both the federal and state governments have identified that the ability for local governments to share information contributes to the success of broader homeland security efforts, and

WHEREAS, the council previously approved a strategy to realize both the operational benefits and public safety capabilities afforded by criminal justice information sharing, and established a unified program to manage the county's strategy for achieving these objectives, and

WHEREAS, the Law, Safety and Justice Integration program has adopted a benefit realization model

consistent with the county's standards for the technology projects, which is associated with the previously approved projects, and

WHEREAS, by the end of 2007, the Law, Safety and Justice Integration program will have implemented its largest and most complex sub-project, the Booking and Referral Filing project, and

WHEREAS, the Law, Safety and Justice Integration program has also implemented the Consolidated Criminal History project, and a regional security gateway that supports the future completion of the Public Information Portal, and

WHEREAS, the pressing operational challenges for the county's criminal justice operations relate to the ability to cooperatively manage digital documents, and the long-term viability of the mainframe application platform that is currently used by several of the agencies;

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

The report, Law, Safety and Justice Integration Program Progress Status and 2008-09 Business Plan, Attachment A to this motion, is hereby accepted. It is the intent of the council that no funds from the appropriation for CIP Project 377108 are spent on new projects (Case Management and Document Exchange) outlined in the attached business plan until a business case justifying the additional expenditures is approved by the Project Review Board and is transmitted to council.