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INTRODUCED BY: BRIAN DEIRDOWSKI

PROPOSED NO: 92-361

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4 ORDINANCE NO. **10371**

5 AN ORDINANCE relating to the Landmarks  
6 Commission and establishing phased terms of office  
7 for appointments, amending K.C. Ordinance 4828,  
8 Section 3 and K.C.C. 20.60.030 and declaring an  
emergency.

9 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

10 SECTION 1. King County Ordinance 4828, SECTION 3 AND K.C.C. 20.62.030  
11 is hereby amended to read as follows:

12 A. There is hereby created the King County Landmarks Commission  
13 ("commission") which shall consist of nine members selected as follows:

14 1. The nine members of the commission shall be appointed by the King  
15 County executive, subject to confirmation by the council, provided that no more than  
16 four members shall reside within any one municipal jurisdiction. The members shall  
17 have demonstrated an active interest in historic preservation.

18 2. The King County executive may solicit nominations for persons to  
19 serve as members of the commission from the King County association of historical  
20 organizations, the American Institute of Architects (Seattle Chapter), the Seattle King  
21 County bar association, the Seattle master builders, the chamber of commerce and  
22 other professional and civic organizations familiar with landmark preservation.

23 B. ~~((All))~~ Appointments of regular members, except as provided in subsection  
24 C. below, shall be made for a three year term. In the event of a vacancy, an  
25 appointment shall be made to fill the vacancy, appointments shall be made to fill the  
26 vacancy in the same manner and with the same qualifications as if at the beginning  
27 of the term, and the person appointed to fill the vacancy shall hold the position for the  
28 remainder of the unexpired term. Any members may be reappointed, but may not  
29 ~~((to))~~ serve ~~((not))~~ more than two consecutive three year terms. A member shall be  
30 deemed to have served one full term if such member resigns at any time after  
31 appointment or if such member serves more than two years of an unexpired term.  
32 The members of the commission shall serve without compensation except for out-of-  
33 pocket expenses incurred in connection with commission meetings or program.

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2 C. After May 4, 1992 the term of office of members becomes effective on the date  
3 the council confirms the appointment of commission members and King County  
4 Executive shall appoint or reappoint three members for a three year term, three  
5 members for a two year term, and three members for a one year term. For purposes  
6 of the limitation on consecutive terms set forth in paragraph B, an appointment for a  
7 one or a two year term shall be deemed an appointment for an unexpired term.

8 ((C.)) D. The King County executive shall appoint the chairman of the commission  
9 from among the commission members. Within six months of its first meeting, the  
10 commission shall adopt rules and regulations, including procedures consistent with  
11 this ordinance. The members of the commission shall be governed by the King  
12 County Code of Ethics, KCC ch 3.04 as hereafter amended. The commission shall  
13 not conduct any public hearing required under this ordinance until rules and  
14 regulations have been filed with the County Clerk.

15 ((D.)) E. A majority of the current appointed and confirmed members of the  
16 commission shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. All official  
17 actions of the commission shall require a majority vote of the members present and  
18 voting. No member shall be eligible to vote upon any matter required by this  
19 ordinance to be determined after a hearing unless that member has attended the  
20 hearing or familiarized him or herself with the record.

21 ((E.)) F. The director of the King County (~~Department of Planning and~~  
22 ~~Community Development~~) Parks, Planning and Resources Department shall  
23 provide staff support to the commission and shall assign a professionally qualified  
24 member of the Department's staff to act as a full-time historic preservation officer.  
25 The historic preservation officer shall be an employee of the (~~Department of~~  
26 ~~Planning and Community Development~~) Parks, Planning and Resources  
27 Department. Under the direction of the commission, the historic preservation officer  
28 shall be the custodian of the commission's records. The historic preservation officer  
29 or his or her designee shall conduct official correspondence, assist in organizing the  
30 commission, organize and supervise the commission staff and the clerical and  
31 technical work of the commission to extent required to administer this ordinance.

32 ((F.)) G. The Commission shall meet at least once each month for the purpose of  
33 considering and holding public hearings on nominations for designation and  
application for certificates of appropriateness. Where no business is scheduled to

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2 come before the commission seven days before the scheduled monthly meeting, the  
3 chairman of commission may cancel the meeting. All meetings of the commission  
4 shall be open to the public. The commission shall keep minutes of its proceedings,  
5 showing the action of the commission upon each question, and shall keep records of  
6 all official actions taken by it, all of which shall be filed in the office of the historic  
7 preservation officer and shall be public records.

8 ((G.)) H. At all hearings before and meetings of the commission, all oral  
9 proceedings shall be electronically recorded. Such proceedings may also be  
10 recorded stenographically by a court reporter if any interested person at his or her  
11 expense shall provide a court reporter for that purpose. A tape recorded copy of the  
12 electronic record of any hearing or part thereof shall be furnished to any person upon  
13 request and payment of the reasonable expense thereof.

14 Section 2. The County Council finds as a fact and declares that an emergency  
15 exists and that this ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of public  
16 peace, health or safety or for the support of county government and and its existing  
17 public institutions.

18 INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 4<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1992  
19 PASSED this 4<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1992.

20 KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
21 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

22 Audrey Luger  
23 Chair

24 ATTEST:

25 Gerald A. Peltum  
26 Clerk of the Council

27 APPROVED this 14<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1992  
28 Jim Hill  
29 King County Executive