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~~RESOLUTION~~ MOTION NO. _____

A MOTION establishing a policy and guidelines for the installation of sidewalks in conjunction with certain county road improvement projects.

THE KING COUNTY COUNCIL, by this motion, declares that:

1. Recent safety studies have disclosed that as residential and commercial developments and traffic volumes increase, there is a greater conflict and increased hazard to pedestrians which can be substantially reduced by providing sidewalks or approved walkways. The recent trend of many school districts to eliminate school bus transportation in favor of neighborhood "walking" policies has compounded the problems with respect to school children walking along county roads and streets.

2. The county has in the past endeavored to provide safe walking paths under a policy established by Resolution No. 28148 passed on June 23, 1964, which set forth certain warrants and criteria for construction commensurate with available funds, right of way width and requests from the several school districts.

3. The majority of arterial projects recently constructed and under design realize the need for pedestrian sidewalks and provide full design consideration of sidewalks, curbs and underground drainage.

4. As the installation of sidewalks is traditionally recognized by municipal governments as a benefit accruing to the abutting property, and the majority of such sidewalks are financed by direct assessment, an effort should be made to form road improvement districts where feasible.

5. The necessity for provision of sidewalks on all county streets and roads is reaffirmed, and all King County departments shall take positive action to implement such a program on all future construction. The policy of construction with county funds shall be continued with respect to those arterials where right of way availability, programmed funds and pedestrian usage permit.

1 The Public Works Department is directed to encourage the formation
2 of Road Improvement Districts for construction of sidewalks on
3 residential access streets and other arterials.

4 PASSED this 16th day of March, 1970.

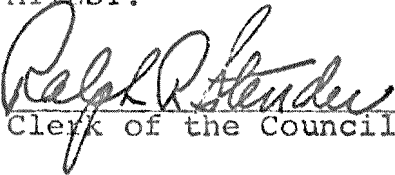
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KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



William H. Reams, Chairman

ATTEST:


Clerk of the Council