

MOTION NO. 2249

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2 A MOTION relating to the development of  
3 criteria and designation of urban, suburban,  
and rural service districts in King County.

4 WHEREAS, while King County is an urban county, it is  
5 benefited by diverse urban, suburban, and rural communities, and

6 WHEREAS, the subcounty areas in unincorporated King County  
7 vary from the urbanized areas close to Puget Sound to the  
8 undeveloped rural areas of the North Central Cascades, and

9 WHEREAS, these distinct subcounty areas and communities are  
10 best served by county regulations and policies which reflect  
11 their diverse needs and characteristics, and

12 WHEREAS, it has been the long standing policy of the King  
13 County Council to recognize the unique characteristics and needs  
14 of the urban, suburban, and rural areas of the county in county  
15 programs, and

16 WHEREAS, if King County wishes to continue its recognition  
17 of the unique qualities of subcounty areas by applying ordinances  
18 differentially to these areas it must develop substantial  
19 justification for doing so, and

20 WHEREAS, the recommendations of the Metropolitan Study  
21 Commission include establishment of rural and urban service  
22 districts which would reflect the diverse types of communities  
23 within King County, and

24 WHEREAS, the Council of King County recognizes the value of  
25 enhancing a variety of land use development patterns within the  
26 county while encouraging orderly development and the coordination  
27 of residential and employment centers,

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

29 1. The Council Administrator is hereby requested to submit  
30 a study to the Council concerning the reasibility of utilizing  
31 subcounty service districts as the basis for applying certain  
32 county ordinances and policy.  
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1           2. The Council Administrator in conjunction with the County  
2 Executive shall be responsible for completing the following tasks  
3 pursuant to the completion of this study:

4           a. Specify potential criteria to govern the designation of  
5 subcounty districts and, in so doing, consider the factors of  
6 population distribution, the location and extent of industrial  
7 and commercial centers, and zoning classifications.

8           b. Assess the legal factors involved in the use of  
9 designated districts as the basis for applying county ordinances  
10 or policies.

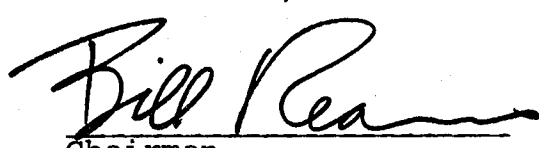
11           c. Assemble and present the necessary data as specified in  
12 the criteria for area designation.

13           d. Prepare any necessary maps and/or other graphic  
14 presentations depicting the boundaries of subcounty service  
15 districts.

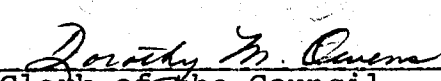
16           4. This study shall be completed and presented to the  
17 Council no later than September 11, 1976.

18           PASSED this 22nd day of December, 19 75.

19           KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
20           KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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22           Chairman

23           ATTEST:

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