

June 27, 1977

Introduced by Tracy J. Owen

Proposed No. 77-554

Substitute
Motion No. (3098)

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2 A MOTION relating to paper recycling in King
3 County offices and departments as a means of
4 conserving energy and natural resources, and
5 requesting the County Executive to prepare
6 competitive bid specifications.

7 WHEREAS, the King County Council at its April 4, 1975 Policy Planning
8 session requested the Policy Development Commission to develop proposed
9 conservation proposals, and

10 WHEREAS, the Policy Development Commission on September 23, 1976 adopted
11 the Ad Hoc Energy Conservation Committee's Report on Energy Conservation
12 policies for King County and has presented it to the Council for its consid-
13 eration, and

14 WHEREAS, by motion 2787, the King County Council adopted the Energy
15 Conservation Policies on December 6, 1976 and is now considering an ordinance
16 to adopt these policies as a part of the County's Comprehensive Plan, and

17 WHEREAS, the quality of life enjoyed by King County residents depends
18 increasingly on the energy consequences of the choices we make through out
19 public and private institutions, and

20 WHEREAS, the King County Council is interested in furthering and expand-
21 ing the efforts being made towards energy and natural resource conservation,
22 and,

23 WHEREAS, we have an opportunity to conserve our dwindling natural re-
24 sources by implementing policies for paper recycling, and

25 WHEREAS, said policies would bring revenue into the County funds from
26 selling waste paper to a broker, as opposed to expending funds for transporta-
27 tion and disposal of said waste paper, and

28 WHEREAS, paper recycling is working satisfactorily in other government
29 agencies on federal, state and local levels, and

30 WHEREAS, an adjacent government agency has received monthly revenues
31 averaging approximately one thousand dollars per month for the past three and
32 one half years from the sale of waste paper to a broker, and

33 WHEREAS, the aforementioned agency recycled ninety-eight tons of paper
in 1976, saving an equivalent of nearly one hundred acres of trees, and

WHEREAS, a good example of energy conservation is set with the employees

1 and constituents if paper recycling is implemented, and

2 WHEREAS, paper recycling would help establish an energy conservation
3 consciousness that would encourage employees to conserve energy in other
4 ways by becoming more aware of the problems involved.

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

6 The Council requests that the County Executive prepare for paper recycl-
7 ing in King County offices and departments, for advertising for bidding and
8 discuss such specifications with the King County Council no later than August
9 1, 1977.

10 BE IT FURTHER MOVED, the Council intends that King County offices and
11 departments will be participating in paper reclamation for recycling by
12 October 13, 1977.

13 PASSED this 5th day of July, 1977.

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15 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
16 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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18 *Mike Lowery*
19 Chairman

20 ATTEST:

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22 *Dorothy M. Owens* DEPUTY
23 Clerk of the Council

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