Introduced by: RICHOW Proposed No. 78-270

## MOTION NO. 03.458

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A MOTION requesting the Executive to examine the feasibility, scope, role and costs of establishing the position for a nonmotorized transportation coordinator, developing a nonmotorized transportation plan element for King County and requesting a council report by May 5, 1978.

WHEREAS, on September 7, 1971, the County Council passed Motion 625 approving the "Urban Trails Plan", which mainly emphasizes pedestrian trails, but which also needs revision and updating, and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 1974, the County Council passed Motion No. 1459 endorsing the development of a regional bicycle loop in King County, and

WHEREAS, on September 9, 1974, the County Council passed Motion No. 1744 adopting the King County Interim Transportation Plan: Focus 1990 which specifically recognized the nonmotorized element and modes of travel therein, and

WHEREAS, on February 17, 1976, the County Council passed Motion No. 2314 adopting the King County General Bicycle Plan: Focus 1990 which is to serve as a catalyst for comprehensive bicycle planning throughout King County, and

WHEREAS, on August 30, 1976, the County Council passed Motion No. 2665 to establish a nonmotorized transportation committee for the purposes of bicycle facility planning coordination between the state and local governments within King County, and

WHEREAS, on September 6, 1976, the County Council passed Motion No. 2787 adopting energy conservation policies for King County which specifically encourages the provision of alternative modes of transportation by encouraging pedestrian and bicycle access to work, shopping, school and other activities, and

WHEREAS, on August 15, 1977, the County Council passed Ordinance 3345 which adopted the Quality of Life report as an addendum to the County's Comprehensive Plan which provides

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direction toward maintaining and improving the quality of life for citizens in King County in the areas of economics, environment society, government and earth resources, and

WHEREAS, while the needs for nonmotorized modes of transportation have been formally recognized by the King County Council as early as 1971 in the "Urban Trails Plan", the adverse economic impacts on the capital costs for motorized vehicles, their supporting facilities, their increasing costs of operation and maintenance from the escalating costs of fuel, lubricants, vehicle parts and insurance have more recently emphasized the need to provide alternative forms of transportation in a safe and healthful manner at a cost all can afford.

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

- 1. The County Executive is hereby requested to examine the feasibility of establishing the position of a nonmotorized transportation coordinator.
- 2. The feasibility study should examine the costs of funding such position and appropriate staff support.
- 3. The feasibility study should define the role and scope of responsibility of such a coordinator by describing the coordinator's duties in the areas of, but not limited to:
  - a. Bicycle Paths
  - b. Pedestrian Paths
  - c. Equestrian Paths
  - d. Waterway Corridors for nonmotorized floatation devices.
- 4. The feasibility study should address how to develop a nonmotorized transportation plan element containing at least the four above-mentioned modes of travel, in a form and format, which would be conducive to easy revisions, and which would easily lead to projects for a six year capital improvement program.

BE IT FURTHER MOVED, that the Executive, or his representative, shall report back to the Council by May 5, 1978, on the results of his feasibility study.

PASSED this 17th day of Opil, 1918. KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON nue Stern ATTEST: