Introduced by:

BERNICE STERN TRACY J. OWEN

Proposed No.:

78-425

MOTION NO. <u>03545</u>

A MOTION authorizing the County Executive to make application to the Economic Development Administration for funds in an approximate amount of \$25,000 for an examination of the agribusiness infrastructure throughout the County.

WHEREAS, the King County Executive has the responsibility to provide leadership in the development of a sound, growth management policy, and WHEREAS, agricultural lands have been disappearing in King County,

and

WHEREAS, King County has adopted a policy to preserve agricultural

lands and encourage the maintenance of existing farms and the creation of new farms, and

WHEREAS, the infrastructure to support an agricultural economy has been weakened due to the loss of agricultural lands, and

WHEREAS, there is increasing uncertainty as to what will happen to the produce of farms as the number of processors and wholesalers shrinks, and

WHEREAS, King County has applied to the Farm and Rural Development

Administration (formerly Farmers Home Administration) for a grant to support

overall economic development planning in rural areas, and

WHEREAS, it is essential to economic development planning that King County examines in depth the agribusiness infrastructure to determine its present and future needs,

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

- 1. The King County Executive is hereby authorized to submit an application on behalf of King County to the Economic Development Administration in the approximate amount of \$25,000 to fund the examination of the agribusiness infrastructure throughout the County;
- 2. The King County Executive is hereby authorized to file and execute such subcontracts as are necessary for the implementation of the project;

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3. The U	United States Department of Commerce is hereby assur
full	compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act.
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