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Introduced by:

RUBY CHOW BILL REAMS

NO. 78-1027

MOTION NO. 3775

1 A MOTION relating to the jail facility;  
2 affirming policies previously approved and  
3 contained in Motion 2631; requesting the  
4 Executive to take action retaining any  
5 future option on the part of the county to  
6 receive state funds; requesting the  
7 Executive to develop a process leading to  
8 the conclusion of the jail design planning  
9 activities.

7 WHEREAS, the Department of Rehabilitative Services is  
8 responsible for the detention of prisoners sentenced to the King  
9 County Jail, and

10 WHEREAS, approximately \$350,000 has been expended in  
11 planning activities specifically directed at designing a  
12 correctional facility to serve the current and future detention  
13 needs of King County, and

14 WHEREAS, by Motion 2631, the Council has previously stated  
15 policy regarding the sponsorship of criminal offender detention  
16 and rehabilitation facilities, and

17 WHEREAS, Motion 2631 requested the Executive to examine the  
18 feasibility of the county's constructing a regional corrections  
19 and criminal offender rehabilitation facility, and

20 WHEREAS, the feasibility study was to examine the concept  
21 of multi-jurisdictional participation, potential costs, methods  
22 of financing, potential services and the mix of such services as  
23 compared to a potential level of criminal population, and

24 WHEREAS, one of the priority issues leading to the passage  
25 of Motion 2631 was to provide the Executive the flexibility to  
26 work with the Washington State Jail Commission, seeking their  
27 approval of proposed design plans, as a preliminary step to  
28 securing anticipated state funds, and

29 WHEREAS, the availability of funds for correctional facility  
30 expansion is anticipated to be a major item of discussion at the  
31 upcoming session of the Washington State Legislature, and

32 WHEREAS, it is incumbent on the part of King County to  
33 continue working with the Washington State Jail Commission, so as

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not to foreclose any opportunity on the part of King County to secure state funds made available in the future, and

WHEREAS, there remain basic policy questions as to the intended use and mix of services to be offered to prisoners in an expanded correctional facility, and

WHEREAS, as part of concluding the design process there should be public discussion of issues affecting the general community, and

WHEREAS, there exists a need to define the remaining steps in the design process and structure that process so as to allow public review, and

WHEREAS, the roles and responsibilities of those elected officials and citizens involved in a public review should be so structured so as to allow open discussion, but nonetheless, result in the conclusion of the planning and design process in a timely manner,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the County Council:

1. The Council affirms its previous policy intents regarding correctional facility expansion as discussed in Motion 2631, approved August, 1976.

2. The County Executive is requested to take the appropriate actions necessary, in coordination with the Washington State Jail Commission, to insure that the county retains an opportunity to apply for any future state funds made available for correctional facility expansion.

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3. The County Executive is requested, as expeditiously as possible, to forward for Council review a stated process by which the design phase for an expanded correctional facility will have been concluded. The process should:

a. Provide recommendations to allow for the public discussion of relevant issues by elected officials and citizens, and

b. Provide a recommendation as to the roles and responsibilities of elected officials and citizens in completing a public review of the ongoing design process.

PASSED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1978

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Bernice Stern  
Chairman

ATTEST:

Dorothy M. Moore  
Deputy Clerk of the Council