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Introduced by: GARY GRANT

Proposed No.: 85-21

MOTION NO. 6185

A MOTION rescinding Motion No. 5892,  
and establishing and defining the  
composition and functions of the  
committees of the King County Council.

WHEREAS, the interests of the citizens of King County and  
the efficiency of the operations of the county council are best  
served by apportioning the duties and responsibilities of the  
council among several committees;

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

A. Motion No. 5892 is hereby rescinded.

B. The council may go into committee-of-the-whole at any  
time. Committee functions shall be to consider subjects of  
general interest including council personnel; budget review;  
appointments to boards and commissions; and reports from the  
executive branch.

C. The chairman of the council shall appoint the chairman,  
vice-chairman and the membership of the standing committees,  
with consent of a majority of the councilmembers.

The standing committees are established as follows:

1. Economic Development -- Function

To consider policies related to the promotion of economic  
growth, publicly and/or privately sponsored employment and  
training programs. To act as liaison with public and private  
organizations intended to enhance economic growth, including  
the Port of Seattle, the Private Industry Council, the Economic  
Development District, state Department of Commerce, and the  
Economic Development Council. Special projects include council  
involvement in the business survey and the economic development  
plan and vacant land inventory projects.

1           2. Intergovernmental Relations -- Function

2           To review and make recommendations on the county  
3 legislative work program and matters of joint interest between  
4 King County and all other municipalities, the state of  
5 Washington, the Puget Sound Council of Governments,  
6 Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle (METRO) and the federal  
7 government. Special projects include oversight of the county  
8 1985 legislative work program, coordination of  
9 interjurisdictional issues, and a review of the impacts of  
10 proposed changes in state and federal programming and funding.

11           3. Finance -- Function

12           To review and make recommendations on the executive  
13 proposed budget, financial plan, revenue estimates, and Capital  
14 Improvement Program; to consider and make recommendations on  
15 all proposed supplemental appropriations, bond and investment  
16 proposals, and tax levies. Also to receive and examine reports  
17 of the county and/or state auditors and submit appropriate  
18 recommendations to the county council. Special projects  
19 include monitoring of the 1985 adopted budget, approval of  
20 public defender contracts, review of concilmanic bond proposal,  
21 and consideration of proposed county investment and financing  
22 policy changes.

23           4. Health, Housing and Human Services -- Function

24           To consider and make recommendations on matters relating  
25 to health, housing, welfare and human resource programs of King  
26 County. This includes all human resource policy planning and  
27 programming as it relates to the King County Housing Authority,  
28 Block Grant Program plan, Housing Assistance Program and  
29 Housing Rehabilitation policies. Special projects include  
30 review of the Comprehensive Health Policy planning efforts,  
31 Emergency Medical Services (EMS) levy proposal, and an  
32 assessment of the county's children's policies and programs.

1           5. Operations, Police and Judiciary -- Function

2           To consider and make recommendations on matters relating  
3 to King County personnel policies, Records and Elections, King  
4 County Charter amendments, criminal justice system policies and  
5 to oversee and receive reports from the Office of Citizen  
6 Complaints, and the Board of Equalization. Special projects  
7 include oversight of the new county jail and implementation of  
8 a new police patrol scheduling and allocation system, and  
9 enactment of a fair employment practices ordinance.

10           6. Planning and Community Development -- Function

11           To consider and make recommendations on land use policies  
12 which implement community plans, zoning code revisions and  
13 shoreline management. Also to consider and make  
14 recommendations on land use matters related to county-wide  
15 comprehensive land use policies and long-range planning for  
16 open space, resource lands, and rural and urban areas. Special  
17 projects include developing a committee recommendation for  
18 council adoption of the General Development Guide (GDG), and  
19 reviewing implementation strategies for the GDG.

20           7. Transportation and Facilities -- Function

21           To review and make recommendations on policies related to  
22 public works plans and operations, solid waste plans and  
23 operations, the county airport, the Kingdome, the Municipality  
24 of Metropolitan Seattle (METRO) transportation and facilities  
25 issues, and county space and facility requirements. Also to  
26 review and make recommendations on all matters relating to the  
27 establishment and vacation of county streets and roads;  
28 property sales; fire flow and water pressure standards; energy  
29 resource recovery and surface water utility facilities and  
30 other public works related fees and policies. Special projects  
31 include monitoring of county-wide space plans, assessing energy  
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1 resource recovery plans and options; oversight of computer  
2 systems long-range plan; and review of transportation plan  
3 updates, and solid waste system and Cedar Hills Site  
4 development plans.

5 8. County Processes -- Function

6 To review and make recommendations on matters relating to  
7 building permits and codes, permit process changes, CIP project  
8 management, and other major county internal operations. Also  
9 to consider cable television regulations and sewer and water  
10 comprehensive plans and franchises. Special projects include  
11 oversight of improvements to and potential reorganization of  
12 the permit process, consideration of new cable television  
13 regulations, and monitoring of major CIP project actions.

14 9. Committee-of-the-Whole -- Function

15 To consider issues of interest to the entire council that  
16 may include decisions on projects included in the 1985 Work  
17 Program; appointments to the state legislature, the executive  
18 branch and numerous boards and commissions.

19 D. The date and time of standing committee meetings shall  
20 be determined by the chairman of each such committee. At least  
21 one day prior to the meeting, an agenda shall be posted outside  
22 the council chambers and shall include the time and place of  
23 the committee meeting. Any member of the council present at a  
24 meeting of any standing committee, though not a member thereof,  
25 shall be entitled to participate in the deliberations of such  
26 committee, but shall not be entitled to vote therein unless  
27 designated a member pro tem by the committee chairman.

28 E. In order for a proposed ordinance or motion to be  
29 reported out by a standing committee, a majority of the  
30 membership of that committee must sign a majority  
31 recommendation. The majority recommendation of the committee  
32 may be "do pass," "do pass as amended," "do pass attached  
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substitute," "do not pass," "no recommendation," or "postpone indefinitely." Minority reports may also be submitted by one or more members of the committee.

F. In the absence of the chairman and vice-chairman of a committee, a committee member, designated by the committee chairman, may serve as chairman of the meeting.

PASSED this 14th day of January, 1985

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Gary Grant  
Chairman

ATTEST:

Quincy M. Owens  
Clerk of the Council