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Introduced by:

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MOTION NO. 6989

A MOTION authorizing payment for additional services related to bond counsel services rendered pursuant to formation of the proposed Issaquah Skyport park and recreation service area.

WHEREAS, the King County council through Ordinance 7985 placed on the ballot for voter consideration the formation of an Issaquah park and recreation service area, and

WHEREAS, the King County council through Ordinance 7952 authorized the executive to retain as bond counsel for the proposed park and recreation service area the firm of Preston, Thorgrimson, Ellis & Holman, and

WHEREAS, the firm of Preston, Thorgrimson, Ellis & Holman did not receive any payment for their work as bond counsel on the Issaquah park and recreation service area because the voters did not approve the proposed bond issue, in spite of their approval of the formation of a park and recreation service area, and

WHEREAS, the firm of Preston, Thorgrimson, Ellis & Holman found that they could not give an unqualified opinion as to the validity of any park and recreation service area bonds because of constitutional questions raised by the state legislation authorizing park and recreation service areas, and

WHEREAS, the office of prosecuting attorney concurred with the firm of Preston, Thorgrimson, Ellis & Holman in their analysis of these constitutional questions, and

WHEREAS, the council and the executive are interested in the possibility of forming other park and recreation service areas in King County, and

WHEREAS, it is likely that no future park and recreation service area bond issues will receive unqualified bond opinions

until the constitutional issues which have been identified have been resolved, and

WHEREAS, the firm of Preston, Thorgrimson, Ellis & Holman has extended the work normally performed as bond counsel and has provided additional services at the request of the council and executive to provide suggestions on how these constitutional issues might be resolved, and

WHEREAS, there are funds available in the parks division budget for park and recreation service area development;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

The Executive is authorized to pay the firm of Preston,

Thorgrimson, Ellis & Holman an amount not to exceed \$4,000 for

the additional work they performed by providing suggestions for

the county on how constitutional problems with the state park and

recreation service area enabling legislation might be corrected.

PASSED this 19th day of October, 1987.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Chairman

ATTEST:

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