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MOTION NO. 9061

A MOTION implementing Drug Free Zones for all King county parks pursuant to RCW 69.50.435 and K.C. Code 12.82.

WHEREAS, Washington State Law RCW 69.50.435 provides for increased penalties for selling illegal drug substances within any public park, and

WHEREAS, King County K.C.C. 12.82 established procedures for producing and filing maps depicting the locations and boundaries of public parks for the purpose of enhanced penalties under state law for crimes involving the manufacture, sale or delivery of controlled substances, and

WHEREAS, K.C.C. 12.82.020 calls on the county executive to prepare and submit to council for approval by ordinance, maps showing the boundaries and locations including municipal boundaries of all parks in unincorporated King county operated by the state or local government and of all county parks whether located in cities or not, and

WHEREAS, the executive is requested to send copies of K.C.C. 12.82 to all cities and towns in King County and to the state, and

WHEREAS, the total number of arrests and convictions have been over 250 since Drug Free Zones were implemented in the City of Seattle and expanded to King county in 1990, and

WHEREAS, current arrest rates have dropped dramatically around many schools since the presence of Drug Free Zones and their increased penalties have become common knowledge among drug dealers and other potential offenders, and

WHEREAS, the implementation of Drug Free Zones for school districts within King County has made schools safer and has resulted in improved learning environments, and

WHEREAS, the citizens of King county should feel safe, secure and free to enjoy their public park system;

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

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Attachments: