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## MOTION NO. 9135

A MOTION approving the King County Executive's declaration of emergency with respect to the purchase and construction of the Kingdome Exhibition Hall; waiving requirements for competitive bidding or formal solicitation; waiving minority and women's business enterprises requirements; and authorizing the Executive to enter into a purchase agreement on an emergency basis within existing appropriation levels.

WHEREAS, the Kingdome Master Plan adopted by the King County Council in August, 1991 identified a critical need for additional exhibit space; and

WHEREAS, construction of an interim fabric shelter structure has been demonstrated to be a cost-effective method of responding to the need for exhibit space in a timely fashion; and

WHEREAS, 1993 Series A Kingdome bond proceeds have been approved by the King County Council to construct a fabric shelter structure; and

WHEREAS, King County has conducted two public bid processes in an effort to secure a fabric shelter structure designed to meet clearly defined needs of Kingdome tenants and legitimate needs of the Kingdome; and

WHEREAS, the outcome of these bid processes has identified all reasonable potential bidders to King County's satisfaction; and

WHEREAS, of two bidders judged to be responsive to project specifications, one was awarded a contract which was subsequently terminated based on inability to perform; and

WHEREAS, King County stands to incur material loss in the form of revenue necessary to support debt service payments and Kingdome operations if construction timelines are not met; and

WHEREAS, Kingdome tenants have acted in accordance with their understanding that additional exhibition space would be available for 1994 consumer shows such that those tenants sold additional exhibition space to exhibitors and may incur losses estimated at \$40 million in gross sales to show exhibitors in the absence of such additional exhibition space; and

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WHEREAS, use of tents by Kingdome tenants in lieu of the planned exhibition space poses a potential threat to public safety and potential liability to King County for damage to displayed merchandise due to the demonstrated instability of such tents; and WHEREAS, there are no minority-owned or women-owned companies which could provide the Kingdome with this specialized structure; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County: The council hereby: (i) approves the King County Executive's declaration of emergency; (ii) waives all normal competitive procurement and Minority and Women's Business Enterprise (M/WBE) participation requirements pursuant to K.C.C. 4.16.050 and 4.18.070(A)(2); and (iii) authorizes the Executive to enter into a purchase agreement on an emergency basis to procure a fabric shelter structure as specified within existing appropriation 4th day of October PASSED this KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON Millia Sullivan ATTEST: Clerk of the Council