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MOTION NO. 9285

A MOTION expressing council support for the Seattle Commons project

WHEREAS, the council recognizes its regional role in establishing and implementing countywide growth management policies, furthering intergovernmental cooperation and in enhancing the King County economy, and

WHEREAS, the council recognizes that the Seattle Commons project, which has significant support from citizens of the county and whose objectives have been endorsed by the Seattle City Council through adoption of Resolution 28804, is an important opportunity to exercise its regional role and to support a public/private partnership, and

WHEREAS, the Seattle Commons project has as a main goal the revitalization of the South Lake Union area of Seattle, and

WHEREAS, the Seattle Commons' plans include the creation of new jobs and increased economic activity, and

WHEREAS, Seattle Commons' plans include the provision of new housing close to these employment opportunities and the increased supply of affordable housing, and

WHEREAS, Seattle Commons' plans include the provision of new and expanded open space, new recreational and cultural opportunities, and increased public access to the shoreline of Lake Union, and

WHEREAS, Seattle Commons' plans include transportation solutions for the area, including improvements to the Mercer Corridor, linkages to high-occupancy vehicle lanes on interstate routes, and development designed to increase use of public transit and non-motorized travel alternatives, and

WHEREAS, Seattle Commons' plans include improving water quality in Lake Union and Elliott Bay through facilitating the completion of the Denny Way Combined Sewer Overflow Project, and

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WHEREAS, the successful completion of the Seattle Commons' plans will demonstrate how planning, financing and constructing public improvements and infrastructure will support and encourage private-sector investment and development, resulting in significant public benefits and in an increased tax base for the area;

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

The council supports the conceptual plans of the Seattle Commons project, looks forward to completion of the City of Seattle's environmental impact statement on the project and resolution of issues to be addressed therein, and asks the City of Seattle and the Committee for the Seattle Commons for suggestions on ways we can work together to make this innovative project a reality for the benefit of all our citizens now and in the future.

PASSED by a vote of 10-1 this 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1994

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Kent Pullen  
Chair

ATTEST:

Gerald A. Peterson  
Clerk of the Council

Attachments: