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A MOTION recognizing that it is the established policy of King County to consider how expanded privatization of solid waste handling services may be integrated into the region's larger solid waste handling system and establishing that such consideration shall be suspended with respect to replacing solid waste handling services at the existing Vashon Island Landfill, which is scheduled to reach capacity and close in 1999.

WHEREAS, the King County Council has adopted Ordinance 11949, giving direction to the preparation of the King County Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan, and

WHEREAS, Section 3 of Ordinance 11949 directs the Solid Waste Division to consider how expanded privatization of solid waste handling services may be integrated into the region's larger solid waste handling system, and

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Division has proposed to develop a new transfer station to replace solid waste handling services at the Vashon Island Landfill, which is scheduled to reach capacity sometime in 1999 and thereafter close, and

WHEREAS, there exist complex circumstances related to developing a new transfer station on Vashon Island, which present impractical and unfavorable conditions for considering

1 privatization of solid waste handling services for Vashon and
2 Maury Islands, and

3 WHEREAS, the provision of solid waste handling services on
4 Vashon and Maury Islands is an essential public service that
5 shall not be interrupted by the pending Vashon Landfill closure,
6 and

7 WHEREAS, the pending Vashon Landfill closure has created a
8 time critical situation in relation to the development of a new
9 transfer station;

10 WHEREAS, consistent with the process delineated in the
11 county's labor policy ordinance, a policy for dealing with
12 procedures for contracting out proposals is in effect; and

13 WHEREAS, that policy and its proposed application, indicate
14 that the Vashon/Maury Island privatization proposal is
15 inconsistent with the policy's requirement;

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

17 A. The Solid Waste Division shall consider how to implement
18 new technology in collection and transfer of solid waste that
19 will reduce traffic in communities served by transfer stations
20 and the Cedar Hill Landfill. The division shall also continue to
21 work with labor representatives and private contractors to assess
22 the future needs of King County's solid waste handling services.

23 B. The Solid Waste Division shall continue to consider how
24 expanded privatization of solid waste handling services may be
25 integrated into the region's larger solid waste handling system.
26 Such consideration, however, shall be consistent with the process
27 specified in the adopted labor policy regarding the contracting
28 out of work.

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C. However, in the particular case of replacing solid waste handling services currently provided at the Vashon Landfill, the Solid Waste Division shall proceed with a publicly developed and operated service and shall suspend its consideration of privatization of solid waste handling services for Vashon and Maury Islands.

PASSED by a vote of 11 to 1 this 14th day of April, 1997.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Jane Hayes
Chair

ATTEST:

Janet Masno
ACTING Clerk of the Council

Attachments: