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$_{\text{MOTION NO.}}\underline{103}35$

A MOTION authorizing the executive to accept a donation of a security camera video playback machine from ARCO Northwest for the King County department of public safety.

WHEREAS, many businesses within King County operate private security cameras on their property, and

WHEREAS, such private security cameras record onto multiplex video tapes that are not compatible with a standard VHS video tape format, and

WHEREAS, the private security cameras record crimes against persons and property that the King County department of public safety later investigates, but the security camera videotapes are of little value to the department in identifying and apprehending suspects because the tapes are not compatible with the department's video equipment, making reproduction of multiplexed video time-consuming and cumbersome, and

WHEREAS, ARCO's security and technical personnel created a security camera video playback machine (called the "Blue Box") valued at \$7,500, which makes it possible for law enforcement officials to isolate standard multiplexed video recordings and reproduce them in a VHS videotape format.

WHEREAS, this process will enable law enforcement officials to use the security camera footage to identify suspects or to display the footage to the public for aid in identifying

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suspects; thereby enhancing public safety, both as a deterrent and as a tool in apprehension, 1 2 and WHEREAS, ARCO wishes to donate a security camera video playback machine to 3 King County department of public safety to enhance public safety; 4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County: 5 6 The King County executive is authorized to accept the donation of one "Blue Box," a 7 security camera video playback machine created by ARCO, to be used by the King County 8 department of public safety for public safety purposes exclusively. PASSED by a vote of // to O this 13 day of 9 10 KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON 11 12 13 14 ATTEST: 15 16 Clerk of the Council 17 Attachments: 18 19