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Introduced By: Rob McKenna

Proposed No.: 98-486

MOTION NO. **10526**

A MOTION expressing council support for the framework for regional transit fare coordination and transfers developed by the Regional Fare Forum.

WHEREAS, there is a need to facilitate transfers between the region's public transportation systems to promote transit ridership, and

WHEREAS, the implementation of Sound Transit's planned network will greatly increase the level of intersystem transfers in the region, and

WHEREAS, representatives of the boards of Community Transit, Everett Transit, King County Metro Transit, Pierce Transit and Sound Transit, meeting as the Regional Fare Forum, agreed upon a framework to guide the development of specific fare coordination and transfer policies, and

WHEREAS, these policies may have a significant impact on King County Metro Transit's \$25 million annual pass sales revenue, and

WHEREAS, the participating transit systems' governing boards, including the metropolitan King County council, have been asked to give conceptual approval to the framework, and

WHEREAS, on July 16, 1998, the Regional Transit Committee voted to recommend acceptance of the Regional Fare Forum recommendations while expressing concern over the revenue loss from discounted transfers, and

1 WHEREAS, an interlocal agreement adopting and implementing regional fare  
2 coordination and transfer policies will be submitted for council approval following  
3 resolution of implementation details;

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

5 The King County Transit Division is hereby requested to work with staff from other  
6 transit agencies in the region to develop a proposed interlocal agreement, subject to council  
7 approval, establishing and implementing regional fare coordination and transfer policies  
8 consistent with the conceptual framework set forth below:

9 A. phase fare coordination, linked to implementation of regional express bus  
10 service, commuter rail, smart card fare media, and light rail;

11 B. replace most King County Metro passes with a system of regional passes  
12 good, at face value, on any system in the region;

13 C. provide that Sound Transit/local system cash fare transfers are valid for one-  
14 zone travel on either system;

15 D. use Sound Transit's Fare Integration Fund to provide equal sharing of  
16 regional fare discounts which are currently estimated at 33% of full fare;


17 E. guarantee King County Metro revenues from the sale of passes that shift  
18 from King County Metro to regional passes but are used primarily for travel on King  
19 County Metro, and

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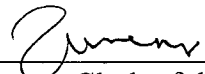
F. periodically review the regional fare coordination and transfer policies with adjustment as needed to respond to unanticipated impacts of regional fare coordination upon revenues and service provision.

PASSED by a vote of 10 to 0 this 3rd day of August,  
1996.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
Chair

ATTEST:

  
Clerk of the Council

Attachments: