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PROPOSED NO.: 1999-0385

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MOTION NO. 10737

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A MOTION approving an emergency/urgent need award to  
the Shipping and Railway Heritage Trust from the King  
County cultural facilities program in accordance with  
Ordinance 10189.

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WHEREAS, the King County landmarks and heritage commission is authorized by  
Ordinance 10189 to administer cultural facilities projects, and

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WHEREAS, the King County landmarks and heritage commission received,  
reviewed and recommended approval of an application for emergency/urgent need funding  
from the Shipping and Railway Heritage Trust, and

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WHEREAS, the recommended funding adheres to the guidelines and the financial  
policies approved by the King County council in Motion 8797;

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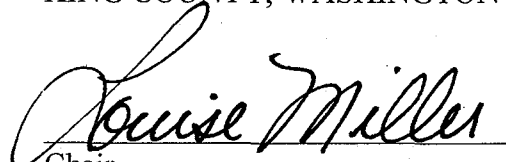
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

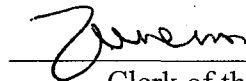
The county executive is hereby authorized to allocate eleven thousand dollars to the Shipping and Railway Heritage Trust from the arts and cultural development fund, as listed in the attached funding chart, Attachment B.

PASSED by a vote of 9 to 0 this 26th day of July, 1999.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
Chair

ATTEST:

  
Clerk of the Council

- Attachments: A. Project Summary King County Landmarks and Heritage Commission Minutes of April 22, 1999 Meeting
- B. King County Landmarks and Heritage Commission Cultural Facilities Program 1999 Hotel/Motel Funds Emergency/Urgent Need Awards

## ATTACHMENT A

## Project Summary

**KING COUNTY LANDMARKS AND HERITAGE COMMISSION  
Minutes of April 22, 1999 Meeting**Commissioners Present

Pat Fels, Chair  
Leon Leeds, Vice-Chair  
Julie O'Neil  
Pat Schneider  
Roxanne Thayer

Staff Present

Julie Koler  
Holly Taylor

Commissioners Absent

David Leavengood  
Bill Southern  
Greg Watson

**EMERGENCY/URGENT NEED APPLICATION****Shipping and Railway Heritage Trust**

7701 Delridge Way SW, #11B  
Seattle, WA 98106  
Incorporated: 1989

The Shipping and Railway Heritage Trust owns the retired City of Seattle fireboat DUWAMISH. The vessel was transferred from the city to the Trust under Ordinance No.117366 which states, in part, "The Trust shall maintain and display the fireboat DUWAMISH within the city limits of Seattle at a location which allows ready public access and interpretation of the vessel's historic significance to the city and the surrounding region." The Ordinance also stipulates that such public access and interpretation must commence by December 29, 1999.

Since acquiring the DUWAMISH, the Trust has refurbished and returned to operation the fireboat's propulsion and pumping machinery, resulting in the fireboat under its own power for the first time since 1986. The vessel is currently moored at the staging pier of the Sand Point NOAA base while the Trust negotiates a lease at its intended home port at a city pier on the North Shore of Sand Point.

The vessel is a National Historic Landmark and a City of Seattle Landmark. Built in Richmond Beach, it played a significant role in the history of the city, battling numerous waterfront fires.

**Project**

In late January 1999, while work was being performed on the pumping systems, a wrench struck a rusted area of the hull opening three holes two feet below the water line in an area not previously suspected of being seriously deteriorated. These holes have been temporarily patched with epoxy, but must be sealed with metal plates to restore the vessel's structural integrity and protect against significant leakage and possible sinking.

The Trust has requested \$18,000 from the Cultural Facilities Emergency fund. \$11,000 is budgeted for repair work to the damaged hull section and to other areas identified as vulnerable during a subsequent hull survey completed by a Navy diving team. The other \$7,000 is for a liability insurance policy that is required by the shipyard before they can allow the boat into drydock.

The project meets the Commission's guidelines for receiving an Emergency award; the hull leak did not occur until after the deadline for the annual grant cycle had passed, and the damage was certainly unanticipated.

Staff has been working with the organization to provide technical assistance regarding their organizational planning, and capital campaign, and will continue to provide technical assistance. The Commission would like to see the organization present some additional information about the repair and on-going maintenance of the vessel, since deferred maintenance can potentially lead to unexpected crises such as the current one.

The Commission will provide funds for the work in the shipyard; the organization will need to leverage this award into additional dollars to pay for the insurance. The Trust has already raised \$3500 for repairs, and will continue its fundraising.

**MOTION:** That the Landmarks and Heritage Committee recommend to Council that the Shipping & Railway Heritage Trust be awarded \$11,000 from the Heritage Cultural Facilities Emergency Fund to complete hull stabilization work on the *Duwamish*. The funds should be provided contingent on the organization submitting to program staff a public access plan and timeline, a more comprehensive restoration and maintenance schedule, and a revised operating budget.

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**ATTACHMENT B**

**King County Landmarks and Heritage Commission  
Cultural Facilities Program**

**1999 HOTEL/MOTEL FUNDS  
EMERGENCY/URGENT NEED AWARDS**

**King County Landmarks & Heritage Commission Emergency/Urgent Needs Funds**

Total Available for 1999 Emergencies/Urgent Needs	\$31,488
Recommended Shipping & Railway Heritage Trust Award	<u>\$11,000</u>
Balance	\$20,488