



**KING COUNTY**

1200 King County Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

**Signature Report**

**July 31, 2001**

**Motion 11258**

**Proposed No.** 2001-0385.2

**Sponsors** Nickels

1           A MOTION expressing King County's support for the city  
2           of Seattle's effort to expand its monorail system and  
3           requesting legislation to grant the county's consent as  
4           required by state law.

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7           WHEREAS, King County is authorized to perform the metropolitan  
8           transportation function as provided for in RCW chapter 35.58; and

9           WHEREAS, RCW 35.58.260 assigns to metropolitan municipal corporations "all  
10          rights with respect to the construction, acquisition, maintenance, operation, extension,  
11          alteration, repair, control and management of passenger transportation" formerly assigned  
12          to cities, and

13          WHEREAS, RCW 35.58.260 further provides that cities shall not assume  
14          responsibility for passenger transportation without the consent of the metropolitan  
15          municipal corporation, and

16          WHEREAS, by approving Initiative 41 in November 1997, the voters of Seattle  
17          called for expansion of the monorail system in Seattle, and

18           WHEREAS, Initiative 53, approved by the voters of Seattle in November 2000,  
19 included specific measures to be undertaken by the city in support of the monorail  
20 expansion, including “obtaining a waiver from King County Metro to allow a monorail to  
21 operate in the city of Seattle,” and

22           WHEREAS, the Seattle city council adopted Resolution 30338 on July 9, 2001,  
23 requesting that “King County take necessary action to provide its consent, pursuant to  
24 RCW 35.58.260, or take other steps as may be required . . . for the City of Seattle or a  
25 future Seattle Popular Transit Authority (SPTA) to pursue constructing and/or operating a  
26 monorail transit system for the benefit of Seattle residents, workers and visitors”;

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

28           King County supports efforts by the city of Seattle to expand its monorail system  
29 and the executive is requested to transmit legislation by which the county can grant the  
30 consent sought by city of Seattle Resolution 30338 while ensuring coordination and

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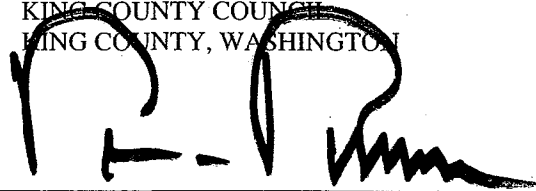
31 integration with the King County Metro transit system and securing other county interests  
32 as provider of metropolitan transportation functions.

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Motion 11258 was introduced on 7/16/01 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 7/30/01, by the following vote:

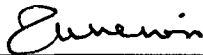
Yes: 10 - Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Miller, Ms. Fimia, Mr. Phillips, Mr. McKenna, Mr. Nickels, Mr. Pullen, Ms. Hague, Mr. Thomas and Mr. Irons  
No: 2 - Mr. Pelz and Mr. Gossett  
Excused: 1 - Ms. Sullivan

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Pete von Reichbauer, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

**Attachments**      None