



KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

July 1, 2003

Motion 11738

Proposed No. 2003-0262.1

Sponsors Edmonds

1 A MOTION authorizing the county executive to implement
2 a permanent parking system at Marymoor park.
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5 WHEREAS, the county's current expense fund faces significant challenges as
6 revenue growth has slowed dramatically at the same time as the cost to deliver mandated
7 county services continue to escalate, and

8 WHEREAS, the county, as a result of current and ongoing fiscal crisis, has taken
9 action to ensure both short-term and long-term viability of its parks and recreation
10 services, and

11 WHEREAS, the metropolitan parks task force ("MPTF") was established in the
12 spring of 2002 to find ways to keep the county parks and recreation system open in 2003
13 and thereafter, and to restore stability to the park system by removing it from dependence
14 on the current expense fund, and

15 WHEREAS, the MPTF issued its recommendations in June 2002, and

16 WHEREAS, one of the recommendations of the MPTF was that the park and
17 recreation division carries out its refocused mission by aggressively implementing a

18 broad variety of new entrepreneurial strategies that will help raise revenues to support
19 park operations, and

20 WHEREAS, one of the new entrepreneurial strategies being implemented is pay
21 for parking at Marymoor park, and

22 WHEREAS, the county, as part of its entrepreneurial strategies, has chosen to
23 implement capital projects that will enhance revenue generation to provide for operating
24 funds, and

25 WHEREAS, one of the revenue generating capital projects is implementation of a
26 pay for parking system at Marymoor park, and

27 WHEREAS, the county council adopted a budget proviso as part of the 2003
28 Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 14517, Section 118, stating "(n)o amount of the \$287,490
29 appropriation for Project 316315, Marymoor Parking Fee Installation, shall be spent or
30 encumbered until the department of natural resources and parks submits a project plan to
31 the council and the council approves the plan by motion," and

32 WHEREAS, in February 2003, the parks division implemented a temporary pay
33 for parking system at Marymoor park, which included installation of non-mechanized pay
34 stations at several key locations within the park, and

35 WHEREAS, the parks and recreation division has thoroughly analyzed several
36 pay for parking alternatives at Marymoor park, including the current honor system,
37 locating gates within existing parking lots, and locating gates at park entryways, and

38 WHEREAS, the parks and recreation division recommends the current honor
39 system be retained and mechanized, providing park patrons with more payment options
40 and relieving park staff of time consuming collection tasks, and

41 WHEREAS, the parks and recreation division also recommends locating an
42 attended pay station at the eastern park entrance from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:30
43 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, to address the extremely high number of
44 vehicles that use Marymoor park as a shortcut in their daily commute to work;

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

46 The parks and recreation division is hereby authorized to proceed with the
47 implementation of the pay for parking system at Marymoor park using the honor system
48 by upgrading to a mechanized system. Further, the parks and recreation division is

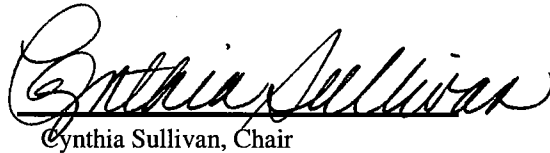
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49 authorized to install a part-time attended gate at the east entrance that would be
50 operational between 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
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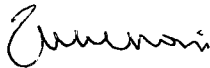
Motion 11738 was introduced on 6/2/2003 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 6/30/2003, by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Ms. Sullivan, Ms. Edmonds, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Pelz, Mr. Constantine,
Mr. Gossett, Mr. Irons and Ms. Patterson
No: 4 - Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Lambert, Mr. McKenna and Mr. Hammond
Excused: 1 - Ms. Hague

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Cynthia Sullivan, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

Attachments None