



King County

KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

June 4, 2007

Motion 12526

Proposed No. 2007-0271.1

Sponsors Phillips and Ferguson

1 A MOTION requesting the executive to study ways to
2 increase construction contracting opportunities for small
3 businesses with King County and to recommend programs,
4 changes to county code or changes to state law that would
5 be needed to increase access to county business for small
6 contractors.

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8 WHEREAS, the Puget Sound Regional Council's Prosperity Partnership, of
9 which King County is a partner, found that companies with less than one hundred
10 employees make up ninety-six percent of all businesses in the Puget Sound area and sixty
11 percent of private sector employment is in small businesses, and

12 WHEREAS, the Prosperity Partnership recommended that "public policies must
13 better promote opportunities for small companies to do business with state and local
14 government," and

15 WHEREAS, the King County council recently approved the rules for the
16 contracting opportunities program that will increase opportunities for small contractors
17 and suppliers to do business with King County, and

18 WHEREAS the King County council and the executive want to expand
19 construction contracting opportunities for small businesses;

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

21 A. The executive is requested to examine ways to implement a program that
22 would increase opportunities for small contractors to do business with King County; and

23 B. Where the executive finds impediments to implementing a program to
24 increase opportunities for small contractors in county code or state law, the executive is
25 requested to propose changes to county code for consideration by the council and to
26 identify changes to state law that would be considered as the county develops its
27 legislative agenda for 2008. The executive is requested to transmit the findings and
28 proposed changes to the council by December 1, 2007, filed in the form of twelve copies
29 with the clerk of the council, who will retain the original and will forward copies to each

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30 councilmember, the policy staff director and to the lead staff for the general government
31 and labor relations committee, or its successor.

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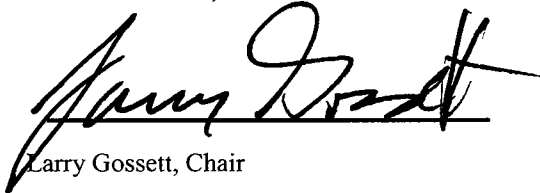
Motion 12526 was introduced on 4/23/2007 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 6/4/2007, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Mr. Gossett, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Hague and Mr. Constantine

No: 0

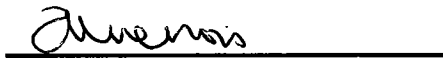
Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Larry Gossett, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

Attachments None