

KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

June 24, 2008

Motion 12800

Proposed No. 2008-0350.1

Sponsors Patterson, Gossett, Constantine, Ferguson and Phillips

1	A MOTION related to addressing the structural budget gap
2	facing King County through consultation and collaboration
3	with represented employees' organizations.
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5	WHEREAS, state law constrains the county's ability to increase its revenues, and
6	WHEREAS, the growth in costs to maintain King County services outpaces
7	revenue growth such that the county is facing a structural budget gap, and
8	WHEREAS, the structural budget gap will likely require significant reductions in
9	general government operations, and
10	WHEREAS, the members of the metropolitan King County council are
11	committed to working with represented employees' organizations and other interested
12	stakeholders to formulate a plan of action to address this fiscal problem, and
13	WHEREAS, addressing the structural budget gap in a sustainable manner will
14	require the combined efforts of the local and state elected officials as well as employees,
15	represented employees' organizations, the media and other community leaders;
16	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

Attachments

None

A. The county council recognizes the importance of represented employees' 17 18 organizations in delivering quality county services and programs to the citizens of King 19 County, and 20 B. The council recognizes that participation of represented employees' organizations before and during budget deliberations is critical to effective resolution to 21 22 the fiscal challenges facing the county, and 23 C. Toward that end, the council will work cooperatively with represented employees in addressing the anticipated structural budget gap facing King County. 24 25 Motion 12800 was introduced on 6/23/2008 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 6/23/2008, by the following vote: Yes: 9 - Ms. Patterson, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Constantine, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Gossett, Mr. Phillips and Ms. Hague No: 0 Excused: 0 KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON Julia Patterson, Chair ATTEST: Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council