



**KING COUNTY**

1200 King County Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

**Signature Report**

**April 26, 2010**

**Motion 13209**

**Proposed No. 2010-0224.1**

**Sponsors Dunn and Ferguson**

1           A MOTION supporting of the efforts of the King County  
2           sheriff's office to create a proactive criminal activity  
3           assessment and prevention program

4           WHEREAS, King County is committed to implementing alternatives to  
5           incarceration that include connecting individuals in need to mental health, substance  
6           abuse and housing programs, and

7           WHEREAS, the general public, law enforcement, judges, prosecutors, public  
8           defenders, local corrections and elected officials are frequently targets of violent threats  
9           and crimes, and

10          WHEREAS, the United States Department of Justice has published research and a  
11          guide to encourage local law enforcement to develop protective intelligence and threat  
12          assessment investigation programs that will deter potential violent criminal activity, and

13          WHEREAS, these information gathering and assessment programs should be  
14          coupled with human services that assist individuals who are identified to have the  
15          potential for violent activity, rather than relying on investigation and incarceration after a  
16          criminal act was committed, and

17          WHEREAS, Dr. Matt Logan, a former staff sergeant with the Royal Canadian  
18          Mounted Police, designed and implemented a Threats to Criminal Justice Officials  
19          program, which is based on proactive and preventative policing for potential threats that

20 have been validated by a science-based behavioral analysis of psychological factors  
21 rather than race or ethnicity factors, and

22 WHEREAS, an additional purpose of these threat de-escalation programs is to  
23 develop real-time, resources for law enforcement officers and potential victims to further  
24 minimize the opportunity for a violent crime to take place, and

25 WHEREAS, King County places a high value on developing regional resources  
26 that enhance the protection and safety of all citizens, law enforcement, judiciary and  
27 elected officials, and

28 WHEREAS, the King County sheriff's office is developing the regional risk  
29 assessment, deterrence and referral program ("the RADAR program"), which would  
30 develop regional resources to assess, address and de-escalate potential violent criminal  
31 activity with a specific goal to prevent an event, and

32 WHEREAS, On November 29, 2009, four Lakewood city police officers were  
33 murdered by an assailant who had a long history of felony charges and convictions, and

34 WHEREAS the King County prosecuting attorney, superior court and district  
35 court have formally expressed their support for the efforts of the King County sheriff in  
36 developing the RADAR program;

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

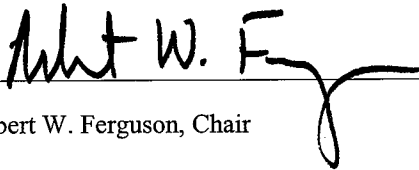
38 A. The King County council hereby confirms its support for proactive law  
39 enforcement alternatives that are science and behavioral-based rather than based on  
40 socioeconomic factors such as ethnicity or income and that connect individuals in need to  
41 mental health, substance abuse and housing programs; and

42           B. The King County council expresses support for, and encourages the efforts of,  
43 the King County sheriff to develop and identify funding for the RADAR program, which  
44 is a proactive, science and behavioral analysis-based, regional resource program to  
45 assess, address and deescalate the most violent potential criminal activity.  
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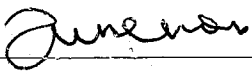
Motion 13209 was introduced on 4/5/2010 and passed by the Metropolitan King  
County Council on 4/26/2010, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Ms. Drago, Mr. Phillips, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett,  
Ms. Hague, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Ferguson and Mr. Dunn  
No: 0  
Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
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Robert W. Ferguson, Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

**Attachments:** None