



KING COUNTY
Signature Report

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

March 15, 2011

Motion 13442

Proposed No. 2011-0108.2

Sponsors Hague, Gossett and Patterson

1 A MOTION approving the King County Council -
2 Operational Strategic Plan 2011-2015.

3 WHEREAS, King County government, as the local government, is the direct
4 provider of government services, such as law enforcement, zoning, permitting and road
5 services, for residents of the unincorporated areas, and

6 WHEREAS, King County government provides critical countywide health and
7 safety services and regional municipal services, including mental health and chemical
8 dependency services, public health services, property assessment, elections, judicial
9 services, public transit, wastewater treatment and regional aviation facilities, and

10 WHEREAS, King County government partners with other jurisdictions to meet
11 local and regional needs for such services as roads maintenance, local law enforcement,
12 animal control and public transportation, and

13 WHEREAS, the King County Charter identifies that the county council shall be
14 the policy determining body of the county and shall have all legislative powers of the
15 county, and

16 WHEREAS, in 2002 the council adopted Motion 11561, which encouraged the
17 executive to broaden and deepen the use of performance measurement throughout county
18 government. Annually thereafter, the council has taken formal action to strengthen the
19 accountability and transparency of King County government, and

20 WHEREAS, the council furthered this commitment to the transparent and
21 accountable delivery of government services in 2008 through the adoption of Ordinance
22 16202, the performance and accountability act, and

23 WHEREAS, as a result of the performance and accountability act, the county
24 engaged in a multiyear effort with the public, county employees, regional partners and
25 county elected leaders to identify the priorities of the people of King County for county
26 government. These priorities were incorporated into the countywide King County
27 Strategic Plan, 2010-2014, which was adopted by Ordinance 16897 in 2010, and

28 WHEREAS, the performance and accountability act also requires all agencies,
29 offices and departments of King County, including the council, to develop an agency-
30 level strategic plan, and

31 WHEREAS, in addition to adopting the King County strategic plan as the policy
32 of the county, the council has day-to-day responsibilities for providing leadership and
33 oversight of the priorities of the people of King County that should be reflected in an
34 agency-level strategic plan;

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

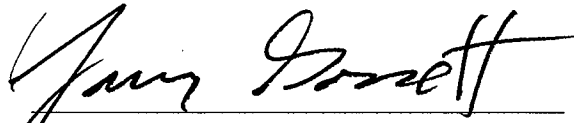
36 A. The King County council hereby adopts Attachment A to this motion, the
37 King County Council - Operational Strategic Plan, 2011-2015; and

38 B. Beginning in July 2011, the council intends to electronically publish quarterly
39 performance results based on the operational strategic plan.
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Motion 13442 was introduced on 2/28/2011 and passed by the Metropolitan King
County Council on 3/14/2011, by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Mr. Phillips, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Hague,
Ms. Lambert, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Dunn and Mr. McDermott
No: 0
Excused: 1 - Ms. Patterson

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Larry Gossett, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

Attachments: A. King County Council Operational Strategic Plan 2011-2015, dated 03/03/11

King County Council Operational Strategic Plan, 2011-2015

Vision

All voices are equally represented in the priorities of King County

Mission

An accessible, representative body providing leadership through the use of its legislative and fiscal authority to establish regional and local policies and priorities for King County

Values

Collaboration	We achieve greater results through collaborative engagement in the work of the County
Equity	Our actions provide all people with access to a good quality of life
Responsiveness	We are committed to addressing the concerns and priorities of our constituents
Trust	We achieve the priorities of the County through transparent decisions and actions
Stewardship	We are effective, efficient, financially prudent and innovative stewards of the public's resources

Goals and Objectives*

Protect and Enhance the Quality of Life: *Establish policies that protect and enhance the economy, environment, health and safety of the people of King County*

- Support safe communities and accessible justice systems for all
- Provide opportunities for all communities and individuals to realize their full potential
- Encourage a growing and diverse King County economy and vibrant, thriving and sustainable communities
- Safeguard and enhance King County's natural resources and environment

Financial Stability: *Maintain and enhance the financial strength of King County through prudent fiscal management to optimize service delivery to the residents of King County*

- Exercise sound financial management and build King County's long term fiscal strength
- Establish labor policies that provide for the development and empowerment King County government's most valuable asset, our employees

Accountability: *Maintain and grow the public's trust in the Council and the County through accessible, effective, responsive, and transparent oversight of County government*

- Establish a culture of customer service and deliver services that are responsive to community needs
- Promote robust public engagement that informs, involves and empowers people and communities
- Provide leadership for Council operations and administration that promotes collaboration, supports effective governance and maintains efficiency in its operations

* Measures will be developed by June 2011 and quarterly electronic reporting will begin 3rd quarter 2011.