



KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

October 29, 2013

Motion 13995

Proposed No. 2013-0476.1

Sponsors Dunn

1 A MOTION authorizing the chair of the council to expend
2 up to \$25,000 as a cost-share contribution for professional
3 facilitation services in 2013 associated with the
4 conservation panel and task force processes, in cooperation
5 with the King Conservation District and consistent with
6 Ordinance 17474.

7 WHEREAS, chapter 39.34 RCW, the Interlocal Cooperation Act, and RCW
8 89.08.341 permit the county and the King Conservation District to enter into agreements
9 for cooperatively promoting, facilitating and implementing programs and activities
10 relating to the conservation of natural resources, and

11 WHEREAS, the county has a variety of programs and regulations that relate to
12 farm practices and the preservation of natural resources that are best implemented in
13 cooperation and coordination with the district, and

14 WHEREAS, RCW 89.08.070(8) encourages the district and the county to
15 coordinate efforts on planning programs and activities and to avoid duplication of efforts,
16 and

17 WHEREAS, Ordinance 17474 was adopted on November 14, 2012, imposing a
18 natural resource conservation rate and charge for the King Conservation District for the
19 years 2013 and 2014 and authorizing the executive to execute an interlocal agreement

20 between King County and the King Conservation District relating to natural resource
21 conservation, and

22 WHEREAS, Section III. B. 5 of the interlocal agreement calls for the county and
23 the district to jointly convene a multi-jurisdictional task force to investigate the
24 availability of conservation and natural resource programs and services in King County,
25 and

26 WHEREAS, on December 17, 2012, an authorized designee of the executive
27 executed the interlocal agreement, and

28 WHEREAS, in January 2013, the King Conservation District Board of
29 Supervisors directed its staff to work with the county to procure professional service
30 assistance to facilitate the multijurisdictional task force, hereinafter referred to as the
31 "conservation panel and task force," and

32 WHEREAS, in accordance with its procurement rules, the King Conservation
33 District directed the process for selecting a consultant facilitator to support the
34 conservation panel and task force work, and

35 WHEREAS, the King Conservation District prepared a request for proposals for a
36 consultant facilitator with a response submittal date of January 25, 2013, and

37 WHEREAS, the King Conservation District invited at least ten firms to submit
38 proposals, and the King Conservation District received five consultant submittals that
39 were deemed responsive to the request for proposals, and

40 WHEREAS, three consulting teams were interviewed for the facilitation work by
41 a panel comprised of two King Conservation District and two county staff on March 4
42 through 6, 2013, and

43 WHEREAS, by consensus scoring of the joint King Conservation District and
44 county interview team, the consultant Agreement Dynamics was selected as the most
45 responsive and best qualified firm to serve as the facilitator for the conservation panel
46 and task force work, and

47 WHEREAS, in early March 2013, the King Conservation District board of
48 supervisors approved by motion the selection of the facilitator as recommended by the
49 joint district and county staff interview team, and

50 WHEREAS, on April 1, 2013, an authorized designee of the executive signed a
51 memorandum of understanding between the county and the district creating the
52 multijurisdictional conservation panel and task force, detailing the work scope for the
53 conservation panel and task force process, describing the role and budget of the
54 consultant facilitator and agreeing to jointly provide staff support and to share
55 professional service costs with the King Conservation District, and

56 WHEREAS, since April 2013, the council staff have actively participated in the
57 conservation panel and task force processes, working cooperatively with the King
58 Conservation District to evaluate and plan natural resource conservation efforts,
59 including projects and activities to conserve soils, to improve the quality of water in the
60 county, to protect natural resources and to assist landowners in King County to comply
61 with laws and regulations that protect the quality of soil, water and resources in King
62 County, and

63 WHEREAS, the meetings of the conservation panel and task force have
64 successfully concluded, but work remains to write up findings and recommendations for

65 submittal to the King Conservation District board of supervisors and the metropolitan
66 King County council before December 31, 2013, and

67 WHEREAS, it is appropriate for the council as participant in the conservation
68 panel and task force to pay a part of King County's share of the costs of the professional
69 services provided for the conservation panel and task force processes, as long as the
70 council's share does not exceed either \$25,000 or more than twenty-five percent of the
71 invoiced costs of the facilitator, whichever is less;

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


73 The chair of the metropolitan King County council is authorized to expend as part
74 of council's share of professional services costs for the facilitator for the conservation
75 panel and task force work the lesser of \$25,000 or twenty-five percent of total costs
76 invoiced to the King Conservation District for the services. The chair is authorized to

- 77 make this expenditure by interfund transfer to the department of natural resources and
78 parks upon receipt of copies of the facilitator's invoices.
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Motion 13995 was introduced on 10/28/2013 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 10/28/2013, by the following vote:

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

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Larry Gossett, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

Attachments: None