



KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
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Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

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Motion 14750

Proposed No. 2016-0473.1

Sponsors Lambert

1 A MOTION requesting that the executive transmit a plan for
2 addressing major technology emergencies that might occur the
3 in the office of emergency management, the department of
4 natural resources and parks and the department of elections,
5 and departments as requested by department directors.

6 WHEREAS, King County departments provide critical services to the people of
7 King County, and

8 WHEREAS, technology is essential to delivering those services, and

9 WHEREAS, technology failures can hinder the ability of departments to provide
10 services, and

11 WHEREAS, technology failures should be addressed as efficiently as possible,
12 and

13 WHEREAS, the department of information technology has experience and
14 expertise in providing assistance to departments with emergency technology issues, and

15 WHEREAS, King County is a leader in emergency preparedness planning, and

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

17 A. The executive is requested to develop and transmit a plan for addressing major
18 technology emergencies that might occur in the office of emergency management, the

19 department of natural resources and parks and the department of elections, and other
20 departments as requested by department directors.

21 B. The plan shall include, but not be limited to:

22 1. A method for alerting and advising the department of information technology
23 to any many operational events and any potential technology issues associated with that
24 event and potential need and timeframes for a moratorium on changes to key technology
25 infrastructure;

26 2. A list of events for 2017 and 2018 where there may be increased technical
27 capacity required due to higher than normal needs or concerns about the technology
28 functioning adequately;

29 3. A method and a recommended minimum timeframes by which the office of
30 emergency management, the department of natural resources and parks and the
31 department of elections, and other relevant departments, should alert the department of
32 information technology of any emergency technology issues impacting operations; and

33 4. A resource on call plan for ensuring the office of emergency management, the
34 department of natural resources and parks and the department of elections, and other
35 relevant departments, will have the technology expertise available in the event of a
36 technology failure.

37 C. The executive shall transmit the plan, and a motion adopting the plan by April
38 3, 2017, in the form of a paper original and an electronic copy to the clerk of the council,
39 who shall retain the original and provide an electronic copy to all councilmembers, the

40 council chief of staff, the policy staff director, and the lead staff for the committee of the
41 whole, or its successor.

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Motion 14750 was introduced on 9/26/2016 and passed by the Metropolitan King
County Council on 10/17/2016, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Dunn,
Mr. McDermott, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Upthegrove, Ms. Kohl-Welles
and Ms. Balducci

No: 0

Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



J. Joseph McDermott, Chair

ATTEST:



Melani Pedroza, Acting Clerk of the Council

Attachments: None