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PROPOSED NO. 88-855

MOTION NO. 7359

A MOTION expressing King County's position
on the proposed Tukwila annexations:
Riverton, Thorndyke and Foster.

WHEREAS, the King County Comprehensive Plan states "King
County and its cities should work together to identify future
annexation areas," and

WHEREAS, the King County Comprehensive Plan states "King
County should play an active role in municipal annexations,
SUPPORTING THEM WHEN CONSISTENT WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND
LOCAL LAND USE PLANS, AND OPPOSING THEM WHEN INCONSISTENT," and

WHEREAS, the King County Comprehensive Plan states "King
County should support incorporations when formation of cities is
appropriate to assure adequate facilities and services for growth
consistent with the Comprehensive Plan," and

WHEREAS, the King County Comprehensive Plan states "interlocal
agreements should be used to ensure consistent land use policies
and public improvement standards within agreed-upon annexation
areas," and

WHEREAS, the King County Comprehensive Plan states the
processes of identifying future annexation areas and adopting
interlocal agreements "should provide extensive opportunities for
participation by affected residents, landowners and other
governmental agencies," and

WHEREAS, both Tukwila and the Sea-Tac Incorporation Committee
claim Riverton, Thorndyke and Foster should be within their
jurisdiction, resulting in a dispute which must be resolved before
the annexation and incorporation proposals are submitted to the
voters, and

1 WHEREAS, King County has identified several critical issues
2 of: 1) boundaries that do not split communities; 2) continuation
3 of surface water management, and 3) preparation of a transition
4 plan which will insure adequate public safety services for the
5 affected resident, and

6 WHEREAS, King County has identified other issues within the
7 categories of: 1) regional and local public service delivery; 2)
8 achieving Comprehensive Plan regional policy goals; 3) capital
9 improvement projects; 4) revenues; and 5) expenditures, which have
10 not been addressed by Tukwila's annexation proposals or the
11 Sea-Tac incorporation proposal, and

12 WHEREAS, an interlocal agreement between King County and
13 Tukwila which addresses the issues named above would have enabled
14 the county and city to assure Riverton's, Thorndyke's and Foster's
15 residents that they will receive optimal public services, programs
16 and facilities but no such agreement has been done, and

17 WHEREAS, the King County council believes at least the
18 critical issues must be addressed prior to approval of annexation;

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

20 The King County executive and council hereby request the
21 boundary review board deny Tukwila's proposed annexations of
22 Riverton, Thorndyke and Foster unless:

23 A. The western boundary of the proposed annexations is moved
24 from Highway 99 South in order to preserve the natural commercial
25 community on both sides of the highway in a single jurisdiction,
26 and this also provides a basis to resolve the boundary dispute
27 between Tukwila and the Sea-Tac incorporation, and

28 B. The continued provision of surface water management must
29 be required as a needed urban service prior to approval, and

30 C. Tukwila must submit a plan acceptable to the BRB to assure
31 the residents at Riverton, Thorndyke and Foster that they will
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1 continue to receive adequate essential public safety services and
2 other critical government controls during the transition.

3 PASSED this 14th day of November, 1988.

5 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
6 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

7 *Gary Grant*
8 Chair

9 ATTEST:

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11 *Dorothy M. Owens*
12 Clerk of the Council

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