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PAUL BARDEN
INTRODUCED BY: GARY GRANT
PROPOSED NO.: 84-353

ORDINANCE NO., 6833

1 AN ORDINANCE relating to the
2 office of Tax/Evaluation Advisor
3 and repealing Ordinance No. 891,
4 Section 1; Ordinance No. 1143;
5 Ordinance No. 1891, Section 2; and
6 Ordinance No. 5869, Section 13 and
7 K.C.C. 2.52.180.

8 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

9 SECTION 1. Ordinance No. 891, Section 1; Ordinance No.
10 1143, Ordinance No. 1891, Section 2; and Ordinance No. 5869,
11 Section 13 and K.C.C. 2.52.180 are hereby repealed.

12 NEW SECTION. SECTION 2. There is established an office of
13 property tax/evaluation advisor to provide advice to any person
14 liable for payment of property taxes in King County.

15 NEW SECTION. SECTION 3. The director of the office of
16 property tax/evaluation advisor shall be appointed by a majority
17 of the members of the county council. The chairman of the
18 council shall have general supervision of the director through
19 the council administrator.

20 NEW SECTION. SECTION 4. The tax/evaluation advisor shall
21 have the following powers:

22 A. To investigate whether on complaint or not, any
23 administrative act relating to ad valorem taxation on the part
24 of the department of assessment, office of finance, board of
25 equalization/appeals or their representatives.

26 B. To prescribe the forms by which complaints are made,
27 accepted, and acted upon. After investigation, the director
28 shall provide a written report to the department(s) involved,
29 notify complainant of action taken and such report will become
30 public record.

31 C. To receive, as requested, assistance and information
32 deemed necessary for the discharge of his responsibilities from
33 the aforementioned administrative offices. The director may
34 examine the records and documents of the department of

1 assessments, office of finance and board of equalization/appeals
2 as they relate to ad valorem taxation and the investigation.

3 D. To issue a formal written complaint, if deemed
4 necessary, to any of the above administrative offices requesting
5 all, or any portion of, relevant information for real or
6 personal property assessments, levy rates, exemptions from
7 taxation, omitted taxes, board of equalization/appeals, hearings
8 and findings or other related matters within the scope of ad
9 valorem taxation. Said written complaint shall be answered, in
10 writing, within a period of not to exceed five (5) working days.

11 E. To undertake, participate in, or cooperate with general
12 studies or inquiries, whether or not related to any of the above
13 administrative agencies or any particular administrative act, if
14 the director believes they may enhance knowledge about or lead
15 to improvements in the functioning of administrative agencies
16 concerned with real or personal property taxation.

17 F. The tax/evaluation advisor shall write rules and regula-
18 tions of the property tax/evaluation advisor, subject to the
19 approval of the King County Council.

20 INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 4th day
21 of June, 1984.

22 PASSED this 18th day of June, 1984.

23 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
24 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

25 Gary Grant
26 Chairman

27 ATTEST:

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29 Dorothy M. Owens
30 Clerk of the Council

31 APPROVED this _____ day of ~~DEEMED ENACTED WITHOUT~~ 1984.
32 ~~COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S SIGNATURE~~

33 DATED: 6/20/84

King County Executive