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Introduced by: Greg Nickels

Proposed No.: 89-732

ORDINANCE NO. **9153**

AN ORDINANCE relating to transportation; adopting the King County Transportation Plan as the countywide transportation plan for King County.

PREAMBLE:

In 1974, King County adopted the King County Interim Transportation Plan to direct the development of King County's transportation system.

Since 1974, unincorporated King County has experienced significant increases in population and employment, placing a severe strain on existing elements of the county transportation system. This growth is projected to continue in the coming decades.

On April 8, 1985 the King County council passed Ordinance 7178 thereby adopting the King County Comprehensive Plan. Ordinance 7178 was subsequently signed into law by the King County Executive on April 15, 1985. Ordinance 7178 calls for the development of functional plans detailing how the goals and policies contained in the Comprehensive Plan are to be implemented.

The department of public works, in consultation with other government agencies and the general public, has developed a functional plan updating the 1974 "Interim Transportation Plan: Focus 1990" to meet the challenges offered by rapid population and employment growth. A comprehensive inventory of the County's transportation system has been taken, and travel patterns have been forecast through the year 2000. All county arterials have been assigned a functional road classification. Through the transportation priority process, proposed transportation projects were evaluated and a transportation needs report was produced, recommending 900 improvement projects. An assessment of environmental impacts of the plan and alternatives has also been completed.

The culmination of these efforts, the King County Transportation Plan, provides a guide for the coordination and development of the county transportation system.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. The King County Transportation Plan consists of the following elements:

1 A. Policy Element, consisting of the transportation-related  
2 policies from the King County Comprehensive Plan 1985, and the  
3 Transit/Ridesharing/Rail Policy Actions.

4 B. The Arterial Functional Classification Report.

5 C. The Transportation Priority Process.

6 D. The 1989 Transportation Needs Report.

7 E. The Implementation Strategy Report, as amended.

8 SECTION 2. The Council finds that the King County  
9 Transportation Plan environmental impact statement is adequate to  
10 support adoption of the King County Transportation Plan.

11 SECTION 3. The King County Transportation Plan, dated  
12 October, 1989, is adopted as the functional plan implementing the  
13 transportation policies established by the King County  
14 comprehensive plan. As an amplification and augmentation of the  
15 King County Comprehensive Plan, it constitutes official county  
16 policy with regard to surface transportation issues.

17 SECTION 4. The King County Transportation Plan's elements  
18 dealing with "Transportation Needs Report" and "Arterial  
19 Functional Classification" shall be subject to an annual review  
20 and update process preparatory to the Capital Improvement Program  
21 budgeting process. Updates shall incorporate community plan  
22 revisions, additional functional plan elements, other local and  
23 regional transportation plans and studies, and other information  
24 available to the county road engineer. The department of public  
25 works shall provide an update report to the executive and council  
26 on these elements by May 31 of each year, identifying possible  
27 changes to the needs lists or arterial classifications, and why  
28 these changes are needed.

29 SECTION 5. The Transportation Plan shall be implemented  
30 through:

31 A. Adoption of an annual six-year Capital Improvement  
32 Program.

1 B. Application of the Road Adequacy Standards ordinance.

2 C. Application of the Mitigation Payment System, when  
3 adopted.

4 D. Mitigation of transportation impacts as required and  
5 authorized under the State Environmental Policy Act.

6 E. Road maintenance and traffic operating improvements.

7 F. Pursuit of additional funding sources at the local, state  
8 and federal levels whenever possible.

9 G. Participation by the county in regional efforts to  
10 enhance bus transit usage and development of a rail/high capacity  
11 transit system.

12 H. Establishment of a system for reviewing proposed  
13 developments for their impacts on equestrian, pedestrian and  
14 bicycle traffic and requiring mitigation when adverse impacts  
15 will occur.

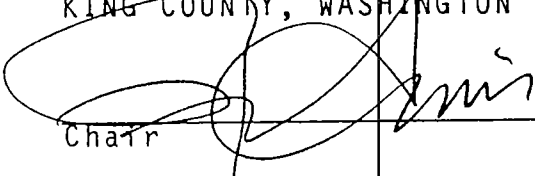
16 I. Development of Transportation System Management  
17 techniques, zoning code changes, and road improvements to enhance  
18 the use of transit and increase vehicle occupancy.

19 J. Coordination of plans, projects, programs and policies  
20 with other governments.

21 INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 11<sup>th</sup> day  
22 of September, 1989.

23 PASSED this 25<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1989.

24 KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
25 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

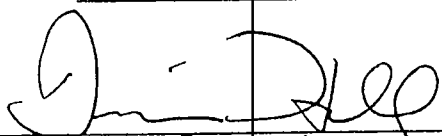
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27 Chair

28 ATTEST:

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30 Clerk of the Council

31 APPROVED this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1989.

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33 King County Executive