Introduced by: Sullivan

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AN ORDINANCE relating to housing rehabilitation programs; establishing the HOME housing repair program and rental rehabilitation program; repealing language pertaining to Section 312 rehabilitation loan program and amending Ordinance No. 3269, Sections 102, 103, 202, 203, 206, 213; Ordinance No. 6928, Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 8; and K.C.C. 24.04.020, 030; 24.08.030, .040, .090, .150; 24.20.050; and 24.64.010, .020, .030, .040,.060; adding new sections to K.C.C. 24.08, 24.12 and 24.64; and repealing Ordinance 3269, Sections 104, 204, 219, 301-306 and K.C.C. 24.04.040, 24.08.060, .240, 24.12.010-.060; and repealing Ordinance 6928, Sections 6, 7, 9, 10; K.C.C. 26.64.050, K.C.C. 24.64.070, and K.C.C. 24.64.080.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Ordinance No. 3269, Section 104, as amended, and K.C.C. 24.04.040; Ordinance No. 3269, Section 204, as amended, and K.C.C. 24.08.060; Ordinance No. 3269, Section 219 and K.C.C. 24.08.240; Ordinance No. 3269, Sections 301 through 306, as amended, and K.C.C. 24.12.010 through 24.12.060; and Ordinance No. 6928, Sections 9 through 10, as amended, and K.C.C. 24.64.070 through 24.64.080 are hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. Ordinance No. 3269, Section 102 as amended, and K.C.C. 24.04.020 are hereby amended to read as follows:

24.04.020 Findings. The King County council finds that:

- A. The best interests and general welfare of King County would be served by the providing of federally funded assistance to homeowners, so that they will have an opportunity to continue to live in their present dwellings;
- B. It is also in the best interests and general welfare of King County to upgrade the living environment of low-income renters when guarantees can be obtained from landlords or assistance provided to tenants to safeguard the tenants' interests and justify the public investment;
- C. Programs should be established which will further the aforementioned policies, such programs to provide for the maintenance and improvement of living environments in order to

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provide safe and sanitary living conditions for the citizens of King County;

- D. Implementation of housing rehabilitation and repair programs consistent with the foregoing statements would be complementary to and consistent with the King County housing policies adopted in Ordinance 2555;
- E. King County and cooperating jurisdictions under interlocal agreements have responsibility and authority to carry out housing rehabilitation and repair programs within areas delineated in the King County ((Housing Assistance Plan)) Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS).
- F. Various federally-funded programs, including the Community Development Block Grant Program under the Housing and Community Development Act of

 1974 and the ((Section 312 Program under the Housing Act of 19647)) HOME Investment Partnerships Act (HOME) under the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, provide a source of funds and an opportunity for King County to implement ((such)) certain housing and rehabilitation repair programs;
- ((G. Title-VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance, and Executive Order 11063 prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed or national origin in the sale, lease or other disposition of residential property (including land intended for residential use) or in the use or occupancy thereof;))
- G. No person shall be denied the opportunity to

 participate in any King County housing repair and

 rehabilitation program as a result of discrimination based on

 race. color, religion, national origin, age, sex, marital

 status, parental status, participation in the Section 8

 program, sexual orientation, disability or the use of a trained

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dog quide by a person with a disability. Antidiscrimination policies shall comply with the requirements of K.C.C. 12.20.

((H. Under Section 312 of the Housing Act of 1964, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is authorized, under-the conditions and to the extent provided therein, to make loans to owners of property for the rehabilitation of their property and to delegate authority to or use as agent any local public agency or organization to the extent he determines appropriate and desirable to carry out the objectives of Section 312-in the designated areas involved, and))

 $((\pm))$ H. It is desirable and will significantly benefit the objectives of all housing rehabilitation and repair programs for the ((director of the department of planning and community-development)) director of the parks, planning and resources department, to have direct approval authority with respect to ((Section 312)) loans, grants, and other financial assistance provided under the King County housing rehabilitation and repair program.

SECTION 3. Ordinance No. 3269, Section 103, as amended, and K.C.C. 24.04.030 are hereby amended to read as follows:

Housing rehabilitation and repair. A. CONTRACTING. the county executive is authorized, on behalf of the county, to contract with other entities, including the housing authority, for the purpose of operating and otherwise carrying out aspects of the housing rehabilitation and repair program; provided that, interlocal cooperation agreements shall be presented to the county council for approval.

- GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION. The geographic locations for carrying out the housing rehabilitation and repair program shall be established annually in the ((housing assistance plan)) Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS).
- CONFIDENTIALITY. Financial information obtained from applicants shall, to the extent permitted by state law, be kept confidential and not publicly disclosed.

D. JOINT ASSISTANCE. Any combination of assistance under the ((Section 312 Program and the)) Block Grant Housing Repair Program and other monies designated for housing rehabilitation, may be authorized by the director for a single-family, owner-occupied dwelling or investor-owned property.

SECTION 4. Ordinance No. 3269, Section 202, as amended,

SECTION 4. Ordinance No. 3269, Section 202, as amended, and K.C.C. 24.08.030 are hereby amended to read as follows:

Department. "Department" means the King County

((department of planning and community development)) parks,

planning and resources department.

SECTION 5. Ordinance No. 3269, Section 203, and K.C.C.
24.080.040 are hereby amended to read as follows:

Director. "Director means the director of the King County ((department of planning and community development)) parks, planning and resources department or his or her official designee.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 6. There is hereby added to K.C.C. Chapter 24.08, a new section to read as follows:

Dwelling unit. "Dwelling unit" means a single-family owner-occupied property which includes the following: a one to four family dwelling, a manufactured home, a mobile home, or a cooperative unit.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 7. There is hereby added to K.C.C. 24.08, a new section to read as follows:

HOME. "HOME" means the federal HOME Investment

Partnerships Act (HOME) enacted as Title II of the

Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 8. There is hereby added to K.C.C. 24.08, a new section to read as follows:

HOME Housing Repair Program. "HOME Housing Repair Program" means the King County housing repair program funded by the federal HOME Investment Partnerships Act.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 9. There is hereby added to K.C.C. 24.08, a new section to read as follows:

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HOME Rental Rehabilitation Program. "HOME Rental Rehabilitation Program" means the King County rehabilitation program for investor-owned properties, funded by the federal HOME Investment Partnerships Act.

SECTION 10. Ordinance No. 3269, Section 206, as amended, and K.C.C. 24.08.080 are hereby amended to read as follows:

Homeowner Property. "Homeowner property" means real property which is occupied by the homeowner for residential proposes and which contains ((one dwelling unit)) one to four dwelling units.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 11. There is hereby added to K.C.C. 24.08, a new section to read as follows:

Household Income. For the purposes of determining eligibility to participate in county-sponsored housing repair programs, "household income" includes income of any adult over the age of 18 who contributes toward the operation/maintenance of the household and all income derived from other sources including employment, social security, pensions, rent, and interest income from investments.

SECTION 12. Ordinance No. 3269, Section 213, as amended, and K.C.C. 24.08.150 are hereby amended to read as follows:

Investor-owned property. (("Investor-owned property" means real property used primarily for residential purposes that is either: A. not occupied by the homeowner; or B. contains two or more dwelling units whether or not occupied by the homeowners.)) "Investor-owned property" means real property containing one or more residential units on a single site that is under common ownership, management, and financing.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 13. There is hereby added to K.C.C. Chapter 24.12, a new section to read as follows:

Appropriation authorized. The county council may appropriate federal HOME funds for the purpose of a housing repair program for properties owned and occupied by low- and moderate-income homeowners.

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NEW SECTION. SECTION 14. There is hereby added to K.C.C. Chapter 24.12, a new section to read as follows:

Eliqible property owners. Financial assistance may be provided to homeowners with incomes equal to or less than the moderate-income level (80% of median), provided that priority shall be given to those homeowners targeted by the HOME Investment Partnerships Act. Homeowners must have an ownership interest in the property and must occupy the property as a principal residence. Eligible ownership interest includes: fee simple title; 99 year leasehold interest in the property; and ownership or membership in a cooperative.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 15. There is hereby added to K.C.C. Chapter 24.12, a new section to read as follows:

Eligible properties. Eligible properties are any single-family properties, occupied as a principal residence by the owner, including the following: a one-to-four family property; a condominium unit; a manufactured home; a mobile home; or a cooperative unit.

Single-family, owner-occupied properties containing one to three rental units may be subject to investor-owned properties regulations, including provisions regarding tenant occupancy, initial rent levels, and long term rent controls if state or federal funds are used to assist rental units. If state or federal funds are not used to rehabilitate rental units in an owner-occupied two to four unit property, the rental housing rules do not apply.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 16. There is hereby added to K.C.C. Chapter 24.12, a new section to read as follows:

Investment dollar limits. The minimum level of HOME funds used for rehabilitation is \$1,000 per unit. The maximum level of HOME funds permitted per unit for single family rehabilitation is the maximum set for all HOME-assisted properties as provided by HUD for the area.

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NEW SECTION. SECTION 17. There is hereby added to K.C.C. Chapter 24.12, a new section to read as follows:

Eligible repair costs include but are not limited to:

- A. Health and safety repairs, including handicapped access;
 - B. Energy conservation repairs;
 - C. Building preservation repairs;
 - D. All other eligible repairs;
- E. Demolition Costs when part of a rehabilitation project;
 - F. Site improvements and utility connections; and
 - G. Other reasonable and necessary costs, including:
- Architectural, engineering or related professional services;
- Financing costs such as loan points, credit and title costs; recording fees, building permits, legal fees, appraisals, developer fees;
 - 3. Relocation costs (permanent and temporary); and
- 4. Affirmative marketing and fair housing information services.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 18. There is hereby added to K.C.C. Chapter 24.12, a new section to read as follows:

Eligible forms of financial assistance. Funds may be invested as: interest-bearing loans, noninterest-bearing loans, interest subsidies, deferred payment loans, grants, and other forms as approved by HUD.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 19. There is hereby added to K.C.C. Chapter 24.12, a new section to read as follows:

Credit program implementation. The county executive is authorized as part of the HOME Housing Repair Program to enter into an agreement with one or more private financial institutions for the purpose of obtaining or making available for homeowner application private capital to be loaned to homeowners for housing rehabilitation purposes. Repayment of

the lenders shall be the sole responsibility of the individual homeowners through standard mortgage loan agreements.

<u>SECTION 20.</u> Ordinance No. 3269 (part), as amended, and K.C.C. 24.20.050 are hereby amended to read as follows:

Eligibility and priority for assistance. A. Assistance in the form of low-interest secured loans up to a maximum amount of ((fifteen-thousand-dollars)) \$27,000 may be provided to homeowners with incomes equal to or less than the moderate-income level. Loans may consist of a combination of funds from a line of credit from private financial institutions and community development block grant funds or other federal funds.

B. Eligibility and priority of specific types of repairs shall be as stated in K.C.C. Section 24.16.050.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 21. There is hereby added to K.C.C. Chapter 24.64, a new section to read as follows:

Appropriation authorized. The county council may appropriate HOME funds for the purpose of a rental rehabilitation program for investor-owned properties.

SECTION 22. Ordinance No. 6928, Section 2 as amended, and K.C.C. 24.64.010 are hereby amended to read as follows:

Funds used. Only federal ((rental rehabilitation program)) HOME funds, ((er)) federal community development block grant funds or other state or federal funds shall be used for the government funded portion of ((rental)) investor-owned rehabilitation projects as set forth in this chapter.

SECTION 23. Ordinance No. 6928, Section 3 as amended, and K.C.C. 24.64.020 are hereby amended to read as follows:

Loans to owners. The King County executive is authorized, as part of the <u>HOME</u> rental rehabilitation program, to enter into a participation agreement with one or more private financial institutions for the purpose of securing commitments of private capital to be loaned to owners of investor-owned ((property)) properties for housing rehabilitation purposes.

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33 34 individual owners through standard mortgage loan agreements. SECTION 24. Ordinance No. 6928, Section 4 as amended, and

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K.C.C. 24.64.030 are hereby amended to read as follows:

Repairs to properties. Needed repairs to investor-owned properties performed under the program ((authorized by this chapter)) shall be performed by the owner either personally or by contract. The owner's materials and hired labor costs shall be approved in advance by King County. ((Provided that)) An owner shall not be reimbursed for his or her own labor or that of immediate family members or that of residents of the investor-owned property unless such residents are licensed contractors and meet ((county)) state requirements for qualified contractors.

SECTION 25. Ordinance No. 6928, Section 5 as amended, and K.C.C. 24.64.040 are hereby amended to read as follows: Eligibility requirements.

Investor-owned properties must house or be expected to house predominantly low-income tenants, as defined by federal HOME regulations, to be eligible for ((rental)) county rehabilitation ((program)) assistance. Program assistance, up to ((an average of \$5,000)) fourteen thousand nine hundred ninety-nine dollars per unit, in the form of no-interest or low-interest secured loans for no more than one-half the cost of rehabilitation may be provided to owners of investor-owned properties ((located in eligible rental rehabilitation-program neighborhoods as defined at 24 CFR-Part 511.10(d))).

((Rental)) Rehabilitation ((program funds)) funds for investor-owned properties shall be used only to make essential repairs and to provide other eligible costs ((of design and financing)) as defined in the federal regulations ((at 24 CFR Part 511.10(q))) of the HOME Investment Partnerships Act (HOME). Repairs shall be provided ((only to projects having one or more substandard conditions which are those housing

conditions that do not meet the applicable state or county
housing codes or do not)) to meet the Section 8 Housing Quality
Standards for Existing Housing. Repairs shall be approved
according to the following order of priority:

- Major structural/mechanical system repairs including handicapped access;
 - Energy conservation repairs;
 - Building preservation repairs;
 - 4. All other eligible repairs.

SECTION 26. Ordinance No. 6928, Section 8 as amended, and K.C.C. 24.64.060 are hereby amended to read as follows:

Temporary or permanent displacement. King County shall give highest priority for ((rental)) rehabilitation ((program)) assistance to ((rehabilitation of)) investor-owned ((properties)) projects which will not result in either temporary or permanent displacement of tenants. In cases where either temporary or permanent displacement of tenants will result from the rehabilitation, tenant rental or relocation assistance consistent with applicable federal regulations as currently revised shall be provided.

((A. When temporary displacement of a tenant will result from rehabilitation of investor owner property in the rental rehabilitation program, the owner shall provide the following:

1. moving costs to and from a temporary rental unit;

2. all reasonable steps to protect-personal property during the tenant's absence.

In addition, for moderate income and low income tenants, the owner shall provide compensation for increased monthly housing costs to the extent the tenant would be entitled to rental assistance through then existing HUD rental assistance programs. King County shall provide assistance to the tenant in locating a temporary rental unit.

B. When permanent displacement will result from the rehabilitation of investor owned property in the rental

rehabilitation program, the owner shall provide cash benefits of the following:

- 1. moving expenses;
- 2. a displacement benefit;
- 3. rental assistance.

The director shall develop rules and procedures addressing the dollar amounts payable under this chapter. King County shall provide assistance to the tenant in locating a permanent replacement dwelling unit.

C. In the provision of tenant assistance King County
shall:

1. not discriminate in providing information, counseling, referrals, or other relocation services to persons displaced by rental rehabilitation activities;

2. use practices and methods of administration that will not result in the displacement of persons because of their particular race, color, religion, sex, age, handicap, or national origin;

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3. provide information and counseling to familiarize
tenants in projects to be rehabilitated with housing
opportunities in the full range of available housing, their
rights under the Federal Fair Housing Law, and methods for
finding suitable replacement housing.))
INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 13th day of July, 1992. PASSED this 17th day of Mysset, 1992
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