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Proposed No.: 97-094

ORDINANCE NO. **12671**

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2 AN ORDINANCE relating to advisory boards, commissions
3 and committees to the department of natural resources,
4 revising provisions related to the citizens water quality
5 advisory committee, amending Ordinance 11034, Section 4,
6 as amended, and K.C.C. 28.84.040, adding a new chapter to
7 K.C.C. Title 2, and adding a section to said new chapter in
8 K.C.C. Title 2.

9 PREAMBLE:

10 To provide advice on metropolitan water pollution abatement issues, which, to a
11 great extent, is focused on wastewater treatment, the council of the Municipality of
12 Metropolitan Seattle had established a Citizens Water Quality Advisory Committee
13 ("CWQAC"). Upon assumption of metropolitan functions by King County on
14 January 1, 1994, the county council continued CWQAC as an advisory body to the
15 department of metropolitan services on such issues with authority to submit
16 recommendations to the executive and the council.

17 With the disestablishment of the department of metropolitan services and the
18 establishment of the department of natural resources, CWQAC now provides
19 advice to a department responsible for many water resources programs, including
20 wastewater treatment. CWQAC is one of many boards, commissions and
21 committees that provides advice to the department on water resources programs.

22 The department is developing a Regional Wastewater Services Plan that, when
23 adopted by the council, will serve as the next phase of the Comprehensive Water
24 Pollution Abatement Plan. The department's highest priority at this time is that
25 CWQAC focus its attention for the next two-year period on participating in the
26 development of the Regional Wastewater Services Plan, particularly in assisting the
27 County in the public review and comment process.

28 With the establishment of the department of natural resources, the scope, purposes
29 and structure of each of the numerous boards, commissions and committees that
30 advise the department on water resources programs and issues should be reviewed
31 and a report with recommendations submitted to the council for its consideration.

32 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

1 SECTION 1. There is added to K.C.C. Title 2 a new chapter entitled "Natural
2 Resources Boards, Commissions and Committees".

3 NEW SECTION. SECTION 2. There is added to the new chapter in K.C.C.
4 Title 2 entitled "Natural Resources Boards, Commissions and Committees" a section to
5 read as follows:

6 **Executive review and report on boards, commissions and committees advising**
7 **the department of natural resources.** The executive shall review the scope, purposes and
8 structure of each of the boards, commissions and committees established by ordinance to
9 provide advice on water resources programs to the department of natural resources. Taking
10 into account the benefits of having residents and local government elected and appointed
11 officials provide advice on matters related to water resources programs and, as appropriate,
12 in consultation with the members of existing boards, commissions and committees, the
13 executive shall prepare a report on such boards, commissions and committees, and shall
14 develop recommendations related thereto that will serve the best interests of the residents
15 of the county. The executive shall submit the report to the council by December 31, 1997.

16 SECTION 3. Ordinance 11034, Section 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 28.84.040 are
17 each hereby amended to read as follows:

18 **Citizens Water Quality Advisory Committee.** A. The Citizens Water Quality
19 Advisory Committee is hereby established. The committee shall act in an advisory
20 capacity to the director of the department of natural resources, the executive, the council
21 and the regional water quality committee on matters concerning water pollution abatement
22 plans, ~~((and))~~ programs, and related financial issues. Further, the committee may submit
23 independent recommendations to the executive and council. ~~((The committee shall review,~~

1 ~~advise and make recommendations regarding matters such as general program focus,~~
2 ~~program service levels and financing, and policies on water pollution abatement issues.))~~

3 B. Except as provided herein, the committee shall be comprised of ~~((forty-five~~
4 ~~(45)))~~ twenty-six members appointed by the executive and confirmed by the council.
5 ~~((Membership shall include three members from each county council district and six at-~~
6 ~~large members. The district members shall reside in the district they represent. The at-~~
7 ~~large members may reside in any district but not more than one at-large member shall be~~
8 ~~from any one district.))~~ Thirteen members, one from each council district, shall be
9 appointed based on nominations from each member of the council of persons who reside in
10 the district she/he represents. Thirteen members, one from each council district, shall be
11 appointed based on criteria deemed appropriate by the executive. To the extent practicable,
12 ~~((T))~~ the committee members ~~((shall include))~~ should reflect a cross section of the public
13 affected by water pollution abatement plans and programs, including elderly, students,
14 persons with disabilities, business, labor, environmentalists, women, minorities, small rural
15 land owners, community councils and other citizen, civic and municipal groups.

16 C. ~~((Appointments to the committee shall be effective until December 31 of the~~
17 ~~second year following each member's appointment date; provided, that members of the~~
18 ~~committee appointed prior to January 1, 1994, may serve on the committee until their~~
19 ~~terms expire or they resign. Members whose terms have expired shall serve until~~
20 ~~replacements are appointed.))~~ Subject to the provisions in this section, members of the
21 committee shall serve two-year terms. ~~((Members may be reappointed for one additional~~
22 ~~term.))~~ Members of the committee who were appointed prior to December 31, 1996 may

1 remain on the committee until such time that twenty-six members have been appointed and
2 confirmed to the committee.

3 D. The committee shall select its officers, including chair, vice-chair and any
4 others it deems necessary. The committee shall adopt appropriate bylaws.

5 E. The objectives of the committee shall be as follows:

6 1. To achieve direct ~~((involvement of))~~ citizen~~((s))~~ involvement in ~~((the~~
7 ~~facilities and budget))~~ comprehensive wastewater planning ~~((processes))~~, particularly the
8 Regional Wastewater Services Plan;

9 2. To ~~((develop within the community greater visibility and responsibility for~~
10 ~~water quality programs))~~ provide input on wastewater treatment plans, funding strategies,
11 and rate setting, and to develop greater visibility and responsibility within the community
12 for the Regional Wastewater Services Plan;

13 3. To provide an independent forum to which the citizens can bring their
14 suggestions, desires and complaints regarding ~~((water quality problems))~~ wastewater
15 treatment plans and strategies;

16 4. To provide a citizen advisory body to aid in the decision-making process;

17 5. To assure that at each critical point in the planning process ~~((there are))~~ a
18 maximum number of reasonable options are considered;

19 ~~((6. To advise on extended citizen participation; and))~~

20 ~~((7))~~6. To help insure that ~~((water quality))~~ wastewater planning and
21 implementation are consistent with and complementary to region-wide planning;

22 7. To identify the relationship and consider the points of connection between
23 wastewater treatment and other water resource issues;

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8. To participate in the department's review of the scope, purposes, and structure of the many boards, commissions, and committees providing advice and recommendations on water resource programs; and

9. To advise on citizen participation for water quality and wastewater treatment in the future.

F. The committee shall cease to function and its members shall be discharged from their duties on December 31, 1998, unless the council, whether based on the report on boards, commissions and committees advising the department of natural resources

1 submitted by the executive by December 31, 1997 or other information, determines
2 otherwise by ordinance.

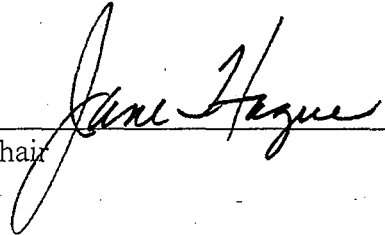
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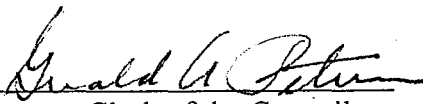
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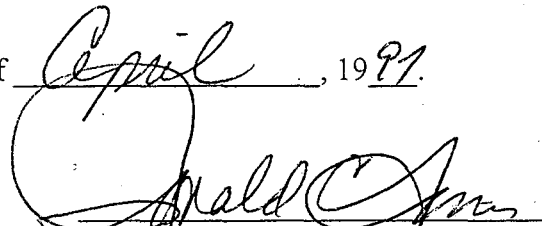
7 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
8 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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10 Chair

11 ATTEST:

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13 Clerk of the Council

14 APPROVED this 7 day of April, 1997.

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16 King County Executive

17 Attachments: None
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