



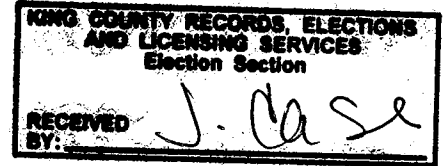
KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

September 7, 2007 07 SEP -7 PM 3: 55

Ordinance 15895



Proposed No. 2007-0450.2

Sponsors Gossett

1 AN ORDINANCE related to elections; expediting
2 transmittal of Initiative 25 to records, elections and
3 licensing services division in order for the initiative to be
4 included in the voters' pamphlet at no incremental cost to
5 the citizens of King County and calling a special election
6 for Initiative 25; and declaring an emergency.

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8 STATEMENT OF FACTS:

- 9 1. Section 230.50 of the King County Charter specifies a county initiative
10 process whereby the public may propose a county ordinance by filing with
11 the council the required number of signed petitions from registered county
12 voters.
- 13 2. A county initiative proposing an amendment to the King County
14 Charter to create the elective office of county director of elections,
15 Initiative 25, has been proposed.

16 3. On March 21, 2007, in accordance with Section 230.50 of the King
17 County Charter, the clerk of the council approved as to the form the
18 proposed petitions for Initiative 25.

19 4. In accordance with K.C.C. 1.16.050, the King County prosecutor's
20 office prepared a ballot title for the proposed initiative measure, which is,
21 "Shall the King County Charter be amended to require that the county
22 director of elections be a nonpartisan elected office?"

23 5. On June 19, 2007, there were five thousand nine hundred eighty-five
24 petitions filed for Initiative 25 by the initiative's sponsor with the clerk of
25 the council.

26 6. The clerk of the council reviewed all of the Initiative 25 petitions and,
27 on July 9, 2007, forwarded all unaltered petitions to the King County
28 records, elections and licensing services division director.

29 7. The King County records, elections and licensing services division on
30 August 22, 2007 has:

31 a. determined that valid signatures of fifty-two thousand eight hundred
32 seventeen registered voters are required under the charter for the initiative
33 to be deemed proposed;

34 b. canvassed and verified the petition signatures and counted the names of
35 the legal voters thereon;

36 c. determined that the number of valid signatures is fifty-two thousand
37 eight hundred seventeen; and

38 d. concluded that the number of valid signatures is sufficient for the
39 initiative to be deemed proposed,

40 8. If the King County council does not provide direction to records,
41 elections and licensing services division by September 7, 2007, then
42 Initiative 25 must be included in a separate voters' pamphlet at an
43 additional cost to the citizens of King County of approximately one
44 hundred ten thousand dollars.

45 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

46 SECTION 1. Initiative 25 shall be submitted to the qualified voters of King
47 County for their approval and ratification or rejection at a special election held at the
48 general election on November 6, 2007.

49 SECTION 2. This ordinance is solely to expedite transmittal of Initiative 25 to
50 records, elections and licensing services division so that the initiative can be included in
51 the voters' pamphlet at no incremental cost to the citizens of King County. This
52 ordinance shall not be interpreted as an endorsement of Initiative 25.

53 SECTION 3. For the reasons set forth in statement subsection 8 of the statement
54 of facts of this ordinance, this ordinance must be enacted no later than September 7,
55 2007, to avoid the unnecessary expenditure of scarce public resources that would result if
56 a separate voters' pamphlet for Initiative 25 is required. The county council finds as a fact

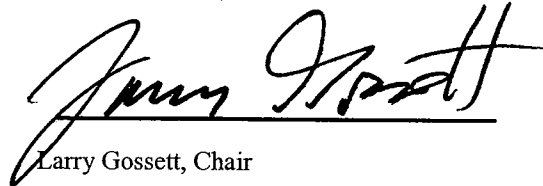
57 and declares that an emergency exists and that this ordinance is necessary for support of the
58 county government and its existing public institutions.

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Ordinance 15894 was introduced on 8/27/2007 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 9/7/2007, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Mr. Gossett, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Hague and Mr. Constantine
No: 0
Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Larry Gossett, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

Attachments None