



**KING COUNTY**

1200 King County Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

**Signature Report**

**December 18, 2007**

**Ordinance 15998**

**Proposed No.** 2007-0670.1

**Sponsors** Constantine and Patterson

1 AN ORDINANCE relating to a marine division proviso;  
2 amending the 2008 Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 15975,  
3 Section 112, as amended,; and declaring an emergency.  
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5 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

6 SECTION 1. Findings:

7 A. On November 13, 2007, the King County Ferry District board passed  
8 Resolution FD2007-06, adopting the district's budget and authorizing a property tax levy  
9 to implement passenger-only ferry service in King County. Within the findings, the  
10 resolution stated:

11 "It is anticipated that King County, with its expertise related to ferry  
12 service programs and projects, will be called upon to provide the  
13 necessary staffing for implementation of the district work plan. The  
14 working relationship between the district and King County will be  
15 provided for in an interlocal agreement that will be adopted by a separate  
16 resolution of the board of the ferry district."

17           B. On November 19, 2007, the metropolitan King County council passed  
18 Ordinance 15973 establishing a marine division within the department of transportation.  
19 The marine division is responsible for the administration, maintenance and operation of  
20 passenger ferry service on a contract basis for the King County Ferry District.

21           C. On November 19, 2007, the metropolitan King County council passed  
22 Ordinance 15975 appropriating a budget of \$1,451,779 to the marine division. The  
23 ordinance contains a proviso restricting the expenditure or encumbrance of marine  
24 division appropriations until an interlocal agreement has been executed between the  
25 county and the King County Ferry District, relating to contract services for county  
26 implementation of the district ferry work program and capital program.

27           D. Over the last four months, the county and the King County Ferry District have  
28 worked collaboratively to develop an interlocal agreement for implementation of ferry  
29 services. The two parties are still in the process of negotiating the interlocal agreement  
30 and intend to have a final agreement introduced before the metropolitan King County  
31 council and Ferry District Board in early 2008.

32           E. To ensure the services described in the King County Ferry District work  
33 program can be provided in 2008 after an interlocal agreement is passed by the district  
34 and the metropolitan King County council, the marine division estimates that it will need  
35 to expend \$150,000 in early 2008, beginning in the first week of January.

36           F. Authorization to expend the \$150,000 is required on an emergency basis so the  
37 marine division will have sufficient time to negotiate agreements for the provision of  
38 Elliott Bay Water Taxi service commencing in April 2008, and to recruit and hire a  
39 division manager in a timely way.

40            SECTION 2. Ordinance 15975, Section 112, as amended, is hereby amended by  
41 adding thereto and inserting therein the following:

42            Marine division \$0

43            P1 PROVIDED THAT:

44            ~~((None of this appropriation shall))~~ Of this appropriation, \$1,301,779 shall not be  
45 expended or encumbered until an interlocal agreement has been executed between the  
46 county and the King County Ferry District, relating to contract services for county  
47 implementation of the district ferry work program and capital program. This proviso will  
48 not be satisfied by an agreement with the district that provides only for administrative and  
49 support services but not for implementation of a district work program and capital  
50 program.

51            SECTION 3. For the reasons set forth in section 1 of this ordinance, the  
52 metropolitan King County council finds as a fact and declares that an emergency exists

53 and that this ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace, health  
54 or safety or for the support of county government and its existing public institutions.

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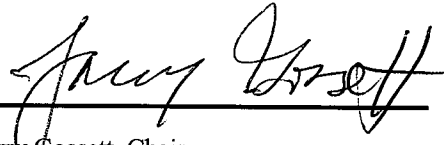
Ordinance 15998 was introduced on 12/17/2007 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 12/17/2007, by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Mr. Gossett, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Phillips and Mr. Constantine

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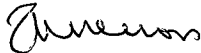
Excused: 1 - Ms. Hague

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Larry Gossett, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

Attachments      None