



**KING COUNTY**

1200 King County Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

**Signature Report**

**September 9, 2009**

**Ordinance 16646**

**Proposed No.** 2009-0200.3

**Sponsors** Hague, Phillips and Lambert

1 AN ORDINANCE relating to the management of solid  
2 waste, and implementing an emergency storm debris  
3 voucher program; and amending Ordinance 800, Section 5,  
4 as amended, and K.C.C. 10.12.050.

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6 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

7 SECTION 1. Ordinance 800, Section 5, as amended, and K.C.C. 10.12.050 are  
8 each hereby amended to read as follows:

9 Payment of the service fee may not be required of a user in the following  
10 circumstances:

11 A. When that user is engaged in a community litter clean-up campaign, but only  
12 if prior authorization has been secured in writing from the solid waste division director  
13 and records of use and tonnages or volumes are maintained; or

14 B. When the executive (~~or the council~~) has (~~declared~~) proclaimed that ((a  
15 ~~natural disaster or other~~) an emergency has occurred, in accordance with K.C.C. chapter  
16 12.52, and ((as a result deems it in the best interest of the county to)) either the executive,  
17 or the council by motion, waives the service fees. Any such an action must identify the

18 ~~((cause of the emergency, the length))~~ duration of the fee waiver and any special  
19 conditions placed on the waiver. ~~((If such action is taken by the executive and the~~  
20 ~~executive proposes that the waiver continue beyond the date of the next regularly~~  
21 ~~scheduled council meeting, the executive must report to the council by the time of that~~  
22 ~~meeting the estimated loss of revenue resulting from the fee waiver and the council must~~  
23 ~~approve the continuation of the waiver by motion.))~~ If the council ~~((initiates the fee~~  
24 ~~waiver, it must do so))~~ waive the fees by motion, ~~((on which))~~ the executive ~~((has had))~~  
25 must have a reasonable opportunity to comment on the proposed motion. The solid waste  
26 division director shall implement the fee waiver, consistent with any special conditions,  
27 by waiving disposal fees at one or more transfer stations, by providing drop boxes to be  
28 used for disposal, by distributing vouchers for disposal or by other appropriate means, as  
29 determined by the solid waste division to promote prompt clean-up following an  
30 emergency. The solid waste division may limit the number of waivers per residence to a  
31 particular time as well as limit the volume and frequency of waste disposal and the types  
32 of materials accepted, and may implement such other requirements as are necessary to  
33 implement the waiver as directed by the executive or the council. For every fee waiver  
34 approved in accordance with this section, the solid waste division shall provide the  
35 council a report containing information regarding the waiver, including approximate  
36 tonnage accepted and estimated loss of revenue. Within one hundred twenty days of the  
37 final date of the fee waiver, the executive shall file eleven copies of the report with the  
38 clerk of the council for distribution to all councilmembers.

39 SECTION 2. A. The executive shall prepare an anticipated storm debris  
40 management summary for the 2009/2010 storm season. The summary shall describe how

41 the solid waste division will handle debris management if an emergency is proclaimed.  
42 The summary shall include, but is not limited to, the possible application of a solid waste  
43 fee waiver associated with an emergency proclamation.

44 B. The executive shall provide the anticipated storm debris management  
45 summary for the 2009/2010 storm season to the council by November 19, 2009. Eleven  
46 copies shall be filed with the clerk of the council, for distribution to all councilmembers.

47 SECTION 3. A. The executive shall recommend policies regarding the  
48 management of debris generated as the result of an earthquake, windstorm, snowstorm,  
49 flood or other emergency for which the executive or the council has issued an emergency  
50 proclamation. The policies shall address at least the following:

- 51 1. The role of the county to provide emergency debris management;
- 52 2. The role of the cities who are participants in the King County solid waste  
53 system to provide emergency debris management;
- 54 3. The role of waste haulers to provide emergency debris management;
- 55 4. Provisions for the identification of temporary debris management sites;
- 56 5. Provisions to protect human health and the environment by continuing to  
57 comply with local, state and federal laws while managing debris generated by an  
58 emergency;
- 59 6. Where the county waives disposal fees for debris accumulated as a result of an  
60 emergency, specification of the eligible parties to whom the waiver applies, including  
61 specification that the waiver applies only to residents of the King County solid waste  
62 system service area; and

63           7. Evaluation of the establishment of a King County solid waste system  
64 emergency relief reserve account, that would support and account for expenses associated  
65 with debris generated by an emergency.

66           B. The executive shall report interim recommended policies to the council by  
67 February 19, 2010, and submit a final report of recommended policies by July 15, 2010.

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69 Eleven copies of each report shall be filed with the clerk of the council, for distribution to  
70 all councilmembers.

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Ordinance 16646 was introduced on 3/16/2009 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 9/8/2009, by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mr. Constantine, Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Hague, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett and Mr. Phillips

No: 0

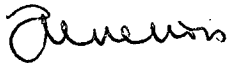
Excused: 2 - Ms. Patterson and Mr. Dunn

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON




Dow Constantine, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2009.



Kurt Triplett, County Executive

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Attachments None