



**KING COUNTY**

1200 King County Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

**Signature Report**

**February 17, 2010**

**Ordinance 16761**

**Proposed No. 2010-0056.1**

**Sponsors Hague, Ferguson and Phillips**

1 AN ORDINANCE amending the 2010 Budget Ordinance  
2 relating to the department of development and  
3 environmental services; and amending the 2010 Budget  
4 Ordinance, Ordinance 16717, Section 84, as amended and  
5 declaring an emergency.

6 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

7 **SECTION 1 Findings:**

8 A. Ordinance 16717, Section 84, P1 provides that unless, by March 1, 2010, a  
9 permit fee increase for the department of development and environmental services is  
10 enacted by ordinance, fifteen FTEs must be eliminated. In order to effectuate this  
11 directive, the department must issue lay-off notices by February 1, 2010.

12 B. The executive is working collaboratively with the council to develop a  
13 proposed permit fee ordinance but that proposed ordinance will not be ready for action  
14 before the March 1, 2010 deadline contained in the above referenced budget proviso.

15 C. In order to ensure that the citizens of King County are provided with the  
16 current level of permitting services during which a proposed permit fee ordinance is  
17 being developed, the council has determined that extending the date by which the permit  
18 fee ordinance must be enacted is necessary to preserve the public peace, health or safety  
19 or for the support of county government and its existing public institutions.

20 D. In order for this ordinance to be effective prior to February 1, 2010, when lay-  
21 off notices otherwise would be required to be issued by the department, it is necessary to  
22 enact this ordinance as an emergency.

23 SECTION 2. Ordinance 16717, Section 84, as amended, is hereby amended by  
24 adding thereto and inserting therein the following:

25 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES - From the  
26 development and environmental services fund there is hereby appropriated to:

27 Development and environmental services \$0

28 P1 PROVIDED THAT:

29 Of this appropriation, \$1,500,000 in expenditures and fifteen FTEs from the land  
30 use, building or fire marshal divisions shall not be expended or encumbered after  
31 ~~((March))~~ June 1, 2010, unless a permit fee increase for the department of development  
32 and environmental services is enacted by ordinance before that date.

33 SECTION 3. The county council finds as a fact and declares that an emergency  
34 exists and that this ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace,

- 35 health or safety or for the support of county government and its existing public  
36 institutions.

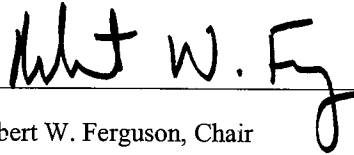
Ordinance 16761 was introduced on 1/25/2010 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 2/16/2010, by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Ms. Drago, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Lambert,  
Mr. Ferguson and Mr. Dunn

No: 0

Excused: 3 - Mr. Phillips, Ms. Hague and Ms. Patterson

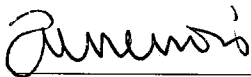
KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



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Robert W. Ferguson, Chair

ATTEST:



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Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

**Attachments:** None