



KING COUNTY

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Signature Report

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Ordinance 17686

Proposed No. 2013-0426.2

Sponsors McDermott

1 AN ORDINANCE related to levy-related funds; and
2 amending Ordinance 14793, Section 2, as amended, and
3 K.C.C. 4A.200.480, and Ordinance 15966, Section 2, as
4 amended, and K.C.C. 4A.200.490.

5 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

6 SECTION 1. Ordinance 14793, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.200.480

7 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

8 A. There is hereby created the parks and recreation fund.

9 B. The fund shall be a first tier fund. It is a special revenue fund.

10 C. The director of the department of natural resources and parks shall be the
11 manager of the fund.

12 D. The fund shall ~~((be used for))~~ account for the receipt of tax levy revenues and
13 other monies, and for the disbursement in accordance with this section:

14 1. The proceeds of the six-year property tax levy approved by the voters of King
15 County on August 21, 2007, under Ordinance 15759, in excess of the levy limitation
16 contained in chapter 84.55 RCW and other revenue for the park and recreation purposes
17 outlined in this subsection B.2. In accordance with Ordinance 15759, Section 4, the levy
18 proceeds shall be deposited in a levy subfund of the parks and recreation fund, or its

19 successor. The levy shall be used for the purposes specified in Ordinance 15759, Section
20 5;

21 2.a. The proceeds of the six-year property tax levy approved by the voters of
22 King County on August 21, 2007, under Ordinance 15760, in excess of the levy
23 limitation contained in chapter 84.55 RCW. Of the proceeds designated for distribution
24 to King County cities and the zoo, a reasonable portion shall be retained by the county to
25 be used for expenditures related to administration of the distribution of levy proceeds. In
26 accordance with Ordinance 15760, Section 4, the levy proceeds shall be deposited in a
27 dedicated subfund of the parks and recreation fund, or its successor.

28 b.(1) The levy proceeds shall be used only for the eligible purposes specified
29 in Ordinance 15760, Section 5.

30 (2) The moneys to be used for King County's acquisition of open space and
31 natural lands critical to the preservation of regional watersheds and streams, for
32 acquisition and development of rights of way for regional trails, with primary
33 consideration given to those projects that address health disparities/health inequities as
34 recognized in the Health of King County 2006 report and are consistent with the Regional
35 Trails Plan including acquisition of missing critical links and/or maximization of regional
36 trail use, and for repayment of costs, including principal and interest, associated with
37 interim financing following approval of the levy, and to provide up to five hundred
38 thousand dollars annually for capital funding of recreation grant programs, shall be
39 ~~((deposited in))~~ transferred to the parks capital fund created under K.C.C. ~~((4.08.083))~~
40 4A.200.490; and

41 3.a. ~~((Any annual transfer from the general fund and other revenue to support~~
42 ~~the costs of operating local parks in the Urban Growth Area))~~ The proceeds of the six-
43 year property tax levy approved by the voters of King County on August 20, 2013, under
44 Ordinance 17568, in excess of the levy limitation in chapter 84.55 RCW. In accordance
45 with Ordinance 17568, Section 3, the levy proceeds shall be deposited in a levy subfund
46 of the parks and recreation fund, or its successor.

47 b. The levy proceeds shall be used only for the eligible purposes specified in
48 Ordinance 17568, Section 4, consistent with Ordinance 17568, Section 6.

49 c. The levy proceeds to be used for the purposes specified in Ordinance 17568,
50 Section 4.B. shall be transferred to the parks capital fund created under K.C.C.
51 4A.200.490.

52 d. If the county council, in its sole discretion, finds that annual revenues from
53 the real estate excise tax 1 and real estate excise tax 2 from the real estate excise taxes
54 imposed under K.C.C.4A.51.100 and 4A.510.120 have increased sufficiently that the
55 levy amount needed for the purposes identified in Ordinance 17568, Section 4.B. should
56 be reduced, it may reduce the annual dollar amount levied for the parks levy based on this
57 finding and the entire dollar amount of the reduction in the levy proceeds for that year
58 shall be allocated solely to the distribution of levy proceeds for the purposes set forth in
59 Ordinance 17568, Section 4.B. Such annual reduction shall not limit the authority of the
60 council to levy in any future year without such reduction or to modify the distribution of
61 levy proceeds levied in any future year.

62 e. Consistent with RCW 84.55.050, as it may be amended, levy proceeds may
63 not supplant existing funding.

64 4. Any other moneys deposited in the fund shall be used for parks and recreation
65 purposes.

66 E. The fund shall be managed in such a way as to distinguish ~~((levy revenues))~~
67 between proceeds from levies approved under Ordinances 15759, 15760 and 17568,
68 business revenues ~~((and general fund revenues))~~, as well as ~~((regional and rural))~~ parks
69 operating and maintenance expenditures~~((;))~~ and community grant program expenditures
70 ~~((and Urban Growth Area expenditures))~~.

71 SECTION 2. Ordinance 15966, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.200.490
72 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

73 A. There is hereby created the parks capital fund.

74 B. The fund shall be a first tier fund. It is a capital projects fund.

75 C. The director of the department of natural resources and parks shall be the
76 manager of the fund.

77 D. The fund shall account for the receipt of tax levy revenues and other monies,
78 and for the disbursement of ~~((be used for the purpose of budgeting))~~:

79 1. ~~((t))~~The King County portion of the proceeds of the six-year property tax
80 levy deposited in the fund in accordance with K.C.C. 4A.200.480.D.2.b.(2) for the
81 purposes described in subsection E. of this section;

82 2. The King County portion of the proceeds of the six-year property tax levy
83 transferred to the fund in accordance with K.C.C. 4A.200.480.D.3.c. for the purposes
84 described in subsection F. of this section; and

85 3. ~~((e))~~Other moneys for capital parks and recreation purposes.

86 E.~~(1.)~~ The ~~((levy moneys))~~ proceeds of the six-year property tax levy approved
87 by the voters of King County on August 21, 2007, in the fund shall be used only for any
88 of the following eligible purposes:

89 ~~((a.))~~ 1. ~~((a))~~Acquisition of open space and natural lands critical to the
90 preservation of regional watersheds and streams;

91 ~~((b.))~~ 2. ~~((a))~~Acquisition and development of rights of way for regional trails,
92 with primary consideration given to those projects that address health disparities and
93 health inequities as recognized in the Health of King County 2006 report and are
94 consistent with the Regional Trails Plan including acquisition of missing critical links
95 and/or maximization of regional trail use; and

96 ~~((c.))~~ 3. ~~((r))~~Repayment of costs, including principal and interest, associated
97 with interim financing following approval of the levy; and

98 ~~((d.))~~ 4. ~~((t))~~To provide up to five hundred thousand dollars annually for capital
99 funding of recreation grant programs.

100 F.1. The proceeds of the six-year levy approved by the voters of King County on
101 August 20, 2013, in the fund shall be used only for those purposes specified in Ordinance
102 17568, Section 4.B.

103 2. Any other moneys deposited in the fund shall be used for capital parks and
104 recreation purposes.


105 G. The moneys in the fund from the ~~((levy))~~ levies approved under Ordinances
106 15760 and 17568 shall be used solely for the ~~((designated))~~ eligible purposes authorized
107 by the voters and shall not supplant existing funds used for those purposes.

108 H. The fund shall be managed in such a way as to distinguish levy revenues from
109 any other revenues in the fund.
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Ordinance 17686 was introduced on and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 11/4/2013, by the following vote:

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


KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Larry Gossett, Chair

ATTEST:


Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 4th day of November, 2013.


Dow Constantine, County Executive

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Attachments: None