

MOTION NO. 2553

A MOTION expressing Council priorities for 1977 King County Budget.

BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

The cross-departmental and departmental budget issues listed below are hereby adopted as priorities for 1977. The County Executive is requested to address these priorities in developing the 1977 Budget and to report on the manner and extent to which they have been implemented.

CROSS-DEPARTMENTAL ISSUES

1. Capital Budgeting Practices

All capital projects, bond, grant and general revenue funds, shall be included in the County's six-year capital program and in the annual capital budget. It is intended that such a comprehensive display of capital plans will simplify control and understanding of the capital program. The objective of such planning is to assure equity in planning districts.

2. Cost-of-living Increases

In recognition of the severe impact of the recent high inflationary rate on low-income persons, the 1977 budget shall, except for already negotiated contractual obligations, distribute salary increase funds by a method that will provide proportionately larger increases to low-income persons, e.g., by a combined fixed dollar increase and a percentage increase.

3. Surface Water Management

Planning in accordance with Motion 1845 is currently under way for the County's surface water management program and a proposed work program is scheduled for review by the Council in June, 1976. Provision should be made in the 1977 Budget to continue implementation as specified in the surface water work program.

4. Computer Services - Justification

Provide analysis of anticipated costs and savings by user department for the subject-in-process computer services.

5. Consolidation of Craft Functions

Allocate adequate resources to implement the consolidation of craft functions supporting King County departments and offices, subject to the findings of the study requested in Motion 2445.

1 6. Transfer of Planning and Subdivision Section

2 Organizationaly adjust the Planning and Subdivision Section from
3 the Public Works to Building and Land Use Development Division,
4 should the study requested in Motion 2445 support such action.

4 7. Contracting Out Maintenance

5 Provide resources for contracting out roads and parks maintenance
6 activities, subject to the finding of the study requested in
7 Motion 2445 and Council review and concurrence.

7 8. Consolidation of Maintenance Activities and Facilities - Study

8 Allocate adequate resources to review consolidation of maintenance
9 activities and facilities pursuant to Motion 2445.

10 9. Consolidation of Equipment and Equipment Maintenance - Study

11 Allocate adequate resources to review consolidation of equipment
12 and equipment maintenance pursuant to Motion 2445.

13 10. Youth Services

14 Recognizing that the Superior Court judges have agreed to discuss
15 the transfer of the Juvenile Court Youth Services to County
16 administration, the budget should provide for the planning of the
17 consolidation of the administration of all youth services--County
18 Youth Service Bureaus, Youthful Offender program, etc. The
19 County should also enter into discussion with the City of Seattle
20 to ensure Seattle's financial responsibility for the three
21 Seattle Youth Service Bureaus prior to any proposed consolidation
22 of these services.

20 DEPARTMENTAL ISSUES

21 1. Planning and Community Development

22 a. Make provision for sewer and water utilities planning
23 capacity in the Planning Division.

24 b. Allocate sufficient resources to ensure meeting the
25 timetable for completion of community plans.

26 2. Public Health

27 a. Provide for partial funding of the emergency medical
28 program through a schedule of fees based on ability to pay,
29 and include such revenues in the 1977 projections as a
30 revenue source for the program.

31 b. Continue appropriating the amount of \$1.50 per capita for
32 the emergency medical program.

33 c. Provide for funding the noise control program on a
34 proportional basis with the City of Seattle.

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d. Provide a proposal to improve the emergency communications capacity of the local fire, police and medical agencies, including continuing the effort to achieve common emergency telephone numbers.

3. Public Safety

a. The Council finds that community patrol including water patrol, is a top Public Safety priority. Allocate or reallocate resources to reflect this priority, including pro-active teams, in each precinct.

b. Provide funds to adequately maintain and operate the Public Safety communications system.

c. Establish a canine unit capacity.

d. Provide for a process whereby the police departments in King County and Seattle will study the feasibility of expanding the consolidation of such nonpatrol functions as record keeping, investigation, planning, research, technical services; and, recommend an implementation plan and schedule, where those possibilities are found to be efficient and cost-effective.

4. Public Works

a. Adequate capital shall be made available such that solid waste operations shall be self-sustaining.

b. Provide adequate resources to accelerate completion of the school walkway and bikeway program.

5. Records and Elections

Allocate sufficient resources to assure meeting the anticipated demand for voter registration.

6. Courts

a. Make provision for additional Superior Court judges provided that the Legislature increases the court fees to offset the total incremental cost.

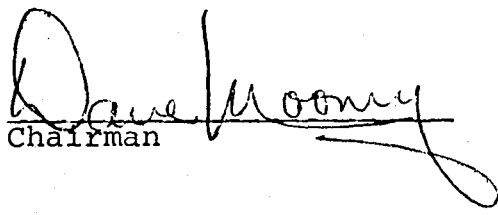
b. Present a district court budget which is consolidated rather than by individual court.

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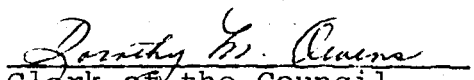
It is the intent of the Council that all pending priorities outlined in Motion 2043 of June 16, 1975, remain as priority items until completed.

PASSED this 21st day of June, 1976.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL,
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Chairman

ATTEST:


Clerk of the Council