

MOTION NO. _____

A MOTION authorizing the County Executive to enter into discussions with the incorporated cities of the county for the purpose of establishing a countywide public health organization under King County administration and setting forth certain policy objectives as negotiating guidelines.

WHEREAS, the Council recognizes the programmatic and administrative difficulties posed by the present joint operation of the Department of Public Health; and

WHEREAS, the Council recognizes that the welfare of King County citizens is potentially best served by means of a countywide health department under county administration; and

WHEREAS, a Council/Executive study team established pursuant to Council Motion 2227 has determined that a county administered health department is feasible but would be practical only under certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, the Council recognizes the need to establish certain policy guidelines so that all parties may have a clear understanding of King County's objectives regarding this matter;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

That the County Executive is authorized to enter into negotiations with the cities of King County for the purpose of establishing a county administered public health department which would provide services countywide.

That any proposed agreement contain provisions substantively similar to provisions one through four which follow:

1. King County will assume responsibility for funding the legally required public health services relating to environmental health and communicable disease prevention and act as a local board of health pursuant to RCW 70.05.060.

2. The county will have authority to set levels of services and fees where appropriate, for the environmental and communicable disease services for which it would have financial responsibility.

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1 3. The jurisdictions will fully fund the discretionary
 2 personal health services, with the county responsible for the
 3 unincorporated area and the cities for the incorporated area.
 4 The agreement should seek a stable method of funding such
 5 services and provide cost estimates to the jurisdictions in time
 6 for them to make provisions for health services during their
 7 budget process.

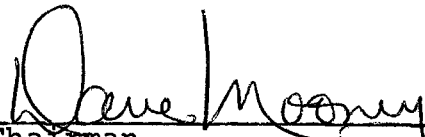
8 4. The initial costs associated with transfer be a shared
 9 responsibility of the parties of the city-county health
 10 department.

11 The Council hereby recognizes the financial necessity of
 12 ensuring that those programs which are determined to be
 13 appropriate for full support through user fees are, in fact, so
 14 supported.

15 The County Executive shall report to the Council Health and
 16 Human Services Committee on request, but at least monthly,
 17 regarding the progress of negotiations.

18 PASSED this 30th day of August, 1976.

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 20 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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 22 Chairman
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24 ATTEST:

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 26 Deputy Clerk of the Council

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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

AUGUST 20, 1976

(DATE)

MOTION NO. 76-701

(Reference Number)

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WITH THE INCORPORATED CITIES OF THE COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF

ESTABLISHING A COUNTYWIDE PUBLIC HEALTH ORGANIZATION UNDER KING COUNTY

ADMINISTRATION AND SETTING FORTH CERTAIN POLICY OBJECTIVES AS

NEGOTIATING GUIDELINES.

DO PASS

(Committee Recommendation to Council)

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