MOTION NO.

76-1099

A MOTION adopting bicycle facility goals, objectives and policies for King County and requesting the County Executive to prepare a proposed ordinance to adopt these goals, objectives and policies as a part of the Comprehensive Plan of King County.

WHEREAS, the "Transportation Development Policies" section of King County's 1964 Comprehensive Plan contains no mention of bicycle or bicycle facilities, and

WHEREAS, increasing concern for energy conservation, health, and environmental amenities has contributed to the rediscovery of the bicycle as a mode of travel for commuting as well as recreational purposes, and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that nationally over 50% of all automobile trips are less than five miles in length and that for trips under five miles, the bicycle is a practical and more efficient means of transportation than the automobile, and

WHEREAS, commuter trips of five miles or less make up a significant proportion of commuter trips in King County, and

WHEREAS, the King County Council has recognized the need for taking into account the balancing of the various elements which constitute a quality life in a society supported by natural and man-made entities by adopting the following plans and policies:

1. the 1971 Urban Trails Plan on September 27, 1971 (Motion No. 625) and

2. the 1974 King County Interim Transportation Plan which included a recognition of nonmotorized modes of transportation (bicycle, pedestrian and equestrian) on September 9, 1974 (Motion No. 1744) and

3. the 1975 King County General Bicycle Plan which set forth the major trunks of a bicycle system in King County on February 17, 1976 (Motion No. 2314) and

4. Transportation Goals, Objectives and Policies on July 12, 1976 (Motion No. 2592) and

Energy Conservation Policies on December 6, 1976 1 (Motion No. 2787) and 2 3 WHEREAS, the Policy Development Commission's Parks and Recreation Committee developed the Report on Goals, Objectives 4 and Policies for Bicycle Facilities in King County which was 5 approved by the Policy Development Commission on November 11, 6 7 1975, but has not yet been adopted as part of the King County 8 Comprehensive Plan, and 9 WHEREAS, the Commission's Report recommends one overall goal 10 that "safe, pleasurable bicycle facilities should be made 11 available to all King County residents," NOW THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County: 12 13 The Council adopts the bicycle facility goals, objectives 14 and policies contained in the attached Report on Goals, 15 Objectives and Policies for Bicycle Facilities in King County, 16 November, 1975. 17 The Council requests that the County Executive prepare a 18 proposed ordinance to adopt these goals, objectives and policies 19 as a part of the Comprehensive Plan of King County. 20 PASSED this 27th day of Accember, 1976. 21 KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON 22 23 24 25 ATTEST: 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33