

MOTION NO. (3423)

A MOTION relating to a Citizen Participation plan to review, investigate, and make recommendations on the question of consolidation of Metro and King County and requesting that the Mayor of Seattle and the King County Executive take appropriate action to implement the plan.

WHEREAS, in reaching any major decision about the future structure of local government in King County, citizen participation is essential,

WHEREAS, a Citizens' Committee selected primarily by a process outside of government can review, investigate and make recommendations on the question of consolidation of the Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle (Metro) with King County,

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

The King County Council supports the establishment of a Citizens' Committee to review and investigate the issue of consolidation of Metro with King County government as outlined below:

1. The Committee shall be headed by co-chairmen, one each selected by the Mayor of Seattle and the King County Executive.

2. The Chairpersons of the King County Republican and King County Democratic Central Committees would each submit to the Committee co-chairmen the name of one person from each of the nine King County Council districts to serve on this committee. Such appointees will be named on the basis of knowledge of local government and interest in possible changes in its structure. Active participation in political party activities need not be a requirement for appointment. In submitting the names, the Chairpersons of the two parties shall attempt to include persons from those organizations that have been involved in studies of this subject in the past.

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1 3. Recommendations from the Citizens' Committee should be
2 submitted to the County Council no later than July 1, 1978, in
3 order to allow adequate time for the Council to place a measure
4 on the ballot in either the primary or general election.

5 4. Such a committee should be provided adequate funds to
6 allow it to conduct hearings, hire clerical and secretarial
7 help, and such legal and consultant assistance as it deems
8 necessary.


9 5. The Committee shall recommend whether or not a proposal
10 to consolidate Metro with King County should be submitted to the
11 electorate this fall. Should the committee recommend against
12 submission in 1978, it will suggest what future studies and
13 activities are needed prior to submission of a ballot issue.

14 PASSED this 20th day of March, 1978.

15 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
16 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

17 Bonnie Steen
18 Chairman

19 ATTEST:

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21 Clerk of the Council
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