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A MOTION authorizing the County Executive to make a grant application for funds in the approximate amount of \$130,000 to support development of proposals to improve surface water quality, Grant File No. 916:2.

WHEREAS, undeveloped land continues to be converted to residential, commercial and industrial uses; and

WHEREAS, the process of land development radically changes stream and river systems leading to flooding, erosion and sedimentation, as well as general degradation of water quality unless corrective actions are taken; and

WHEREAS, King County has developed surface water runoff policies and regulations for on-site correction of water quantity and water quality problems; and

WHEREAS, the County has studied additional corrective measures through comprehensive basin plans such as the Juanita Creek Basin Plan; and

WHEREAS, King County has sponsored Juanita Creek as a salmon enhancement stream in an effort to re-establish natural salmon runs and highlight the impacts of urbanization on small streams; and

WHEREAS, the Departments of Budget and Program Development, Public Works, and Planning and Community Development are currently investigating a surface water utility under the County Services Act as a means to finance stream basin improvements and protection of natural drainage systems; and

WHEREAS, most County surface water planning and program development has been made possible by grants of funds available from federal sources; and

WHEREAS, additional water quality funds in the approximate amount of \$130,000 will be made available to King County through Section 208 of PL 92-500 (the Federal Water Pollution Control Act) for the period of 1979-80; and

WHEREAS, the Council recognizes an obligation to provide the amount of \$43,340 as an in-kind contribution in support of the project.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County: 1. The King County Executive is hereby authorized to make applications on behalf of King County for funds in the approximate amount of \$130,000 to the Municipalities of Metropolitan Seattle and Snohomish to conduct specific studies in the areas defined in Section 5 for the improvement of Surface Water quality;

2. The King County Executive is hereby authorized to file and execute such application and enter into and execute such contracts as are required by the grantor;

3. The King County Executive is also authorized to enter into and execute such subcontracts as are necessary for the implementation of the project;

4. The Municipalities of Metropolitan Seattle and Snohomish are hereby assured full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act.

5. The County Executive is hereby directed to conduct specific studies on the following areas using such grant funds as may be awarded to the County for the purpose of:

a) Regulation of land development - Train engineering technicians and a building inspector to review and assure compliance with surface water runoff policies and regulations; fund a surface water inspector to evaluate and recommend improvements to surface water regulations; and prepare for consideration a site alteration ordinance accompanied by a draft development assistance manual.

b) Water quality planning - Develop a field investigation manual to aid in identifying critical flooding, erosion and/or drainage areas and develop guidelines to determine specific drainage controls applicable to these different critical areas; define the appropriate public and private roles for assuring longterm operation of community on-site waste water systems.

Surface Water Utility - Develop a public information C) program to assist in creating a surface water utility for implementing the Juanita Creek Basin Plan.

Salmon enhancement project - Prepare and execute a public d) involvement program in Juanita Creek Basin informing people of their impacts on local salmon resources and organizing volunteer labor crews to perform stream rehabilitation to improve spawning in Juanita Creek.

The County Executive is further directed to report to 6. the County Council the results of the studies funded by this source and to recommend appropriate legislative action. 10th

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