

MOTION NO. 5688

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2 A MOTION requesting the Sewage Technical  
3 Advisory Committee to prepare proposed  
4 amendments to the Board of Health Rules and  
5 Regulations III, regarding the appropriate  
6 use of drainfield easements and community on-  
7 site waste water systems; and to submit them  
8 to the Board of Health for consideration.

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10 WHEREAS, the King County Sewerage General Plan and other  
11 supporting policies have established that certain rural areas  
12 will maintain on-site sewage disposal systems for an in-  
13 determinate period of time; and

14 WHEREAS, the consideration of on-site systems as long term  
15 solutions for sewage disposal has required the revision of  
16 design and installation standards for septic tanks and other  
17 acceptable on-site disposal alternatives; and

18 WHEREAS, the Council is concerned about the possible  
19 proliferation of off-site drainfield easements and community  
20 drainfields; and

21 WHEREAS, community systems and off-site drainfield easements  
22 may be used when current drainfield size requirements and  
23 percolation standards cannot be met on an individual parcel of  
24 land; and

25 WHEREAS, the increased use of drainfield easements on  
26 adjoining or non-adjoining parcels for on-site sewage disposal  
27 may cause future problems when failing systems may exist on land  
28 of different ownership than the parcel of origin; and

29 WHEREAS, community systems are sometimes considered for use  
30 in marginally suitable lands for on-site sewage disposal  
31 purposes and, as such, conditions for their use and geographic  
32 placement require careful analysis of the size of development,  
33 soil conditions, topography and lot configuration; and

WHEREAS, the Sewage Technical Advisory Committee is an  
advisory body to the Director of Public Health, the functions of  
which include the review of sewage disposal ordinances and rules

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1 and regulations and the recommendation of new methods and  
2 techniques of sewage disposal.

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

4 A. The Sewage Technical Advisory Committee shall present  
5 to the King County Council any recommendations for review for  
6 any proposed amendments to the Board of Health Rules and Regula-  
7 tions III of July 15, 1980 (amended January 1, 1983). The pro-  
8 posed amendment shall identify specific criteria and conditions  
9 for determining when off-site drainfields and drainfield easements  
10 may be permitted. Matters for consideration shall include, but  
11 not be limited to: drainage conditions, lot sizes, and the  
12 nature and characteristics of a hardship situation.

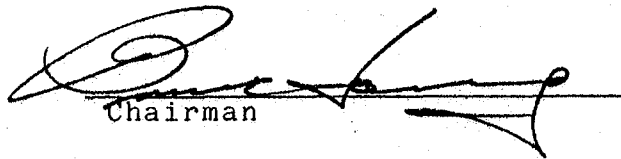
13 B. The Sewage Technical Advisory Committee is further  
14 requested to develop and recommend policies and criteria for  
15 permitting the appropriate placement of community or collective  
16 drainfield systems. In so doing, the Committee will acknowledge  
17 that King County is not the appropriate entity to design,  
18 install, maintain or operate individual or collective septic  
19 systems.  
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1 C. A representative from the King County Division of  
2 Building and Land Development shall participate in the meetings  
3 of the Sewage Technical Advisory Committee and in the Committee's  
4 recommendation to the King County Council and the Board of Health.

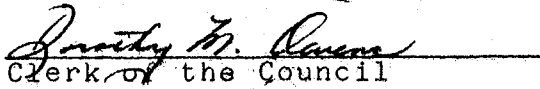
5 D. The policies and criteria proposed pursuant to this  
6 Motion should be submitted to the Board of Health at its  
7 June 13, 1983 meeting.

8 PASSED this 22nd day of February, 1983.

9 KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
10 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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12 Chairman

13 ATTEST:

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16 Clerk of the Council

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