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A MOTION providing direction to the Puget Sound Council of Governments on the preparation of a preferred alternative to be included in the Vision 2020 Final Environmental Impact Statement.

WHEREAS, the Puget Sound Council of Governments is the designated transportation planning organization for the Puget Sound area, and;

WHEREAS, King County is a member jurisdiction of the Puget Sound Council of Governments, and;

WHEREAS, traffic congestion in King County presents a significant problem for the public, and;

WHEREAS, the King County Comprehensive Plan designates both Urban and Rural Areas and encourages most population and employment growth to locate in Urban Areas, especially cities, and;

WHEREAS, the King County Comprehensive Plan identifies the need for the overall density of Urban Areas to be high enough to support cost-effective urban services, including transit and rail, and;

WHEREAS, planning for the future transportation needs of the region must be based upon an understanding of probable future land use and development patterns, and;

WHEREAS, major investments in regional transportation infrastructure necessitate consistency and a cooperative approach to land use planning by all of the region's city and county governments, and;

WHEREAS, a shared vision of the region's future, clearly described, jointly arrived at, and cooperatively adhered to by the region's local governments will allow the Puget Sound Council of Governments to better meet its regional transportation planning responsibilities, and;

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the citizens of King
County to mitigate the transportation problems created by
recent rapid growth and to avoid future problems arising out of
the inefficient use of land, and;

WHEREAS, the Puget Sound Council of Governments has proposed the draft Vision 2020 plan to define and reach consensus upon a shared vision of the region's future development and to establish a Regional Transportation Plan as prescribed by federal and state law and regulations;

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

- A. The King County Council endorses the development of an alternative which combines the best features of both the Major Centers and the Multiple Centers alternatives contained in the Vision 2020 Plan. This combined alternative is to be the preferred alternative contained in the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) to be considered by the PSCOG Assembly in October and shall, at the minimum, include the following:
- 1. An increased emphasis on transit and rail alternatives consistent with the Major Centers alternative proposal;
- 2. A strong emphasis on transportation demand management (TDM) consistent with the emphasis provided for in the Major Centers alternative, and consideration of pedestrian access in each of the proposed centers;
- 3. A major emphasis on the development of High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes consistent with at least the number of miles proposed in the Major Centers alternative;
- 4. A balance of housing, concentration of employment, shopping, and public services, in each of the centers consistent with the Multiple Centers alternative;
- 5. Methods for involving existing neighborhoods while providing for increased densities in areas adjacent to transit and rail improvements;
- 6. An identification of the proposed centers, their number, their populations, the amount of adjacent land each

will consume, and the housing and job mixes to be contained in 1 2 each; A plan for arterial capacity sufficient to support 3 projected traffic levels for a combined alternative; 4 A more comprehensive examination of all of the public 5 and private costs which would be generated by this new 6 7 alternative. An evaluation of alternative growth assumptions and 9. 8 means for managing growth. 9 The King County Council will evaluate the Vision 2020 10 Final EIS and the preferred alternative to assure that the best 11 features of both the major centers and the Multiple Centers 12 alternatives are retained. 13 King County reserves the right to determine, in 14 conjunction with its cities, the centers which are to be 15 designated for the concentration of growth, their number, size 16 and location, those areas which are to be maintained as rural, 17 the type and location of transportation, rail and transit 18 improvements and any and all other modifications to the King 19 County Comprehensive and Transportation Plans and supporting 20 legislation which are solely its purview. 21 PASSED this 2 md day of 22 23 KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON 24 Low North 25 26 ATTEST: 27 28