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MOTION NO. 9017

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A MOTION relating to the development of a regional approach for the provision of surface water management services, directing a regional surface water needs assessment be performed in cooperation with local cities and the Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle (Metro) and suggesting a regional policy committee of the Metropolitan/King County Council as the best forum for consideration of the recommendations of that assessment.

WHEREAS, on December 2, 1991, the King County council adopted Ordinance 10187, establishing new surface water rates and charges to support an enhanced surface water management program in the western one-third of unincorporated King County which comprises the service area, and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the rates and charges is to provide a method of payment of all or any part of the cost and expense of surface and storm water management services or to pay or secure the payment of all or any part of any issue of general obligation or revenue bonds issued for such services, and

WHEREAS, these rates and charges are necessary in order to promote the public health, safety and welfare by minimizing uncontrolled surface water erosion and water pollution; to preserve and utilize the many values of the county's natural drainage system including water quality, open space, fish and wildlife habitat, recreation, education, urban separation, and drainage; and to provide for the comprehensive management and administration of surface and storm water, and

WHEREAS, these rates and charges are collected only in the western one-third of unincorporated King County which comprises the service area, and

WHEREAS, Growth Management Countywide Planning Policy CO-4 states that all jurisdictions acknowledge the need to develop a regional surface water management system that crosses jurisdictional boundaries and identifies and prioritizes

1 program elements and capital improvements necessary to
2 accomodate growth and protect the natural and built
3 environment, and

4 WHEREAS, Growth Management Countywide Planning Policy
5 FW-10 states that cities are the appropriate provider of local
6 urban services to urban areas either directly or by contract
7 and counties are the appropriate provider of most countywide
8 services, and

9 WHEREAS, the county council authorized issuance of long
10 term general obligation bonds for surface water management
11 pursuant to Ordinance 10685, limiting the term and amount due
12 to anticipated loss of revenue from future annexations and
13 incorporations;

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

15 A. King County desires to work cooperatively with local
16 cities and Metro to develop an effective and equitable set of
17 programs for the management of the region's surface waters.

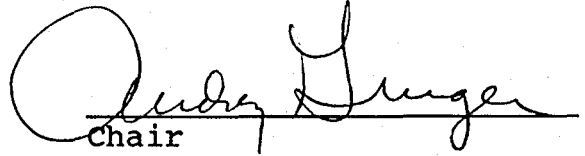
18 B. The manager of the surface water management division is
19 hereby directed to develop a work program and budget to assess
20 current and predicted surface water problems and federal and
21 state mandated actions. The assessment will identify both
22 existing and new programs required to address the region's
23 problems. The work program and budget shall be developed in
24 consultation with the cities and Metro, and shall be submitted
25 to the county council no later than July 31, 1993.

1 C. Subject to the review of the Consolidation Transition
2 Committee and to the approval of the Metropolitan King County
3 Council, the Regional Water Quality Committee of the
4 Metropolitan King County Council appears to be the best forum
5 for consideration of the recommendations that will be made in
6 1994 based on the above assessment.

7 PASSED this 24th day of May, 1993.

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KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Chair

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12 ATTEST:

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14 Clerk of the Council

15 Attachments:
16 None