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MOTION NO.

**9707**

A MOTION creating the Kingdome Renovation  
Task Force.

WHEREAS, the Kingdome will be celebrating its twentieth  
birthday in 1996; and

WHEREAS, the Kingdome has served King County, and the  
State, by providing an excellent venue for many public  
events; and

WHEREAS, the Kingdome has served as an "Economic Engine"  
for King County and the State of Washington by bringing in  
thousands of people into the area to view and participate in  
the many events held in the Kingdome; and

WHEREAS, the economic impact of the events held in the  
Kingdome have generated significant tax revenues for the  
State of Washington, the City of Seattle, and, to a lesser  
degree, King County; and

WHEREAS, Kingdome capital improvements have been  
identified that would further enhance the value of the  
Kingdome to the tenants and to the public; and

WHEREAS the presence of the Seattle Seahawks provide a  
positive benefit to the northwest region, both in economic  
terms and in quality of life terms; and

1           WHEREAS it is King County's desire that the Seattle  
2 Seahawks remain the Kingdome's anchor tenant far beyond the  
3 life to the existing lease and

4           WHEREAS, the economics of National League Football has  
5 changed dramatically since the Kingdome was first used by the  
6 Seattle Seahawks, and;

7           WHEREAS, stadium revenues have become a significant  
8 revenue source for those National League Football teams that  
9 are financially successful; and

10          WHEREAS, revenue sources to fund Kingdome capital  
11 improvements have not been identified;

12          NOW, THEREFORE BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County  
13 that there is hereby created the Kingdome Renovation Task  
14 Force. The Kingdome Renovation Task Force shall consist of  
15 twenty one members, eleven appointed by the Metropolitan King  
16 County Council and ten appointed by the King County  
17 Executive. The Chair and Vice Chair of the council's Budget  
18 and Fiscal Management Committee shall recommend to the full  
19 council the eleven members that will represent the council's  
20 appointments. The council's eleven appointments shall include  
21 a representative of the International District community, the  
22 trade show industry, and an individual with expertise in  
23 stadium construction financing. The executive's ten  
24 appointments shall include a representative of the Seattle  
25 Seahawks, the Pioneer Square community, and an individual  
26 with expertise in stadium construction. The task force shall  
27 be chaired by two individuals. One co-chair shall be  
28 appointed by the council and one co-chair shall be appointed

1 by the executive. The chair and vice chair of the council's  
2 Budget and Fiscal Management Committee shall be ex officio  
3 members of the task force. The role of the Kingdome  
4 Renovation Task Force is to advise the Metropolitan King  
5 County Council and the King County Executive in matters  
6 concerning the renovation of the Kingdome.

7 The Kingdome Renovation Task Force shall prepare a  
8 report to the council no later than March 31, 1996, that  
9 1)identifies the economic benefits that are produced as a  
10 result of the events held in the Kingdome; 2) identifies the  
11 capital improvements to the Kingdome that would enhance the  
12 revenue generating capabilities of its tenants, 3)identifies  
13 other capital improvement needs of the Kingdome; 4)discusses  
14 the need for tenant contributions toward the cost Kingdome  
15 capital improvements; 5)identifies financing options to fund  
16 the public sector's portion of Kingdome capital improvements;  
17 6)examines successful major renovations of multi-purpose  
18 public facilities including the Key Arena; 7)includes a  
19 business plan that addresses stadium operations and  
20 maintenance needs, marketing strategies, fees charged for  
21 events, recommended financial policies, and a long-range  
22 financial plan showing how the Kingdome can be a profitable  
23 enterprise; and 8)recommends the steps to be taken to satisfy  
24 the infrastructure needs of the Kingdome tenants.

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Kingdome Administration shall provide staff support to  
the Kingdome Renovation Task Force.

PASSED this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1995.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Passed by a vote of 10-1.

Kent Pullen  
Chair

ATTEST:

Gerald A. Peterson  
Clerk of the Council

Attachments: