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MOTION NO. **10566**

A MOTION describing key elements in emergency management planning.

WHEREAS, it is recognized that human-caused, technological and natural disasters, by their inherent character, are not confined to individual jurisdictions or political boundaries, and that regional planning for emergency management is therefore an appropriate priority issue to be addressed from a multijurisdictional, regional perspective; and

WHEREAS, the emergency management division of the department of information and administrative services and the emergency management advisory committee, pursuant to request by the regional policy committee, have undertaken a planning effort to coordinate regional preparation for, and response to, civil emergencies associated with human-caused, technological and natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, the emergency management advisory committee should include multidisciplinary representation from local and regional governments and institutions involved in responding to emergencies, and is an appropriate technical advisory body for emergency management;

1           NOW, THEREFORE BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County: that the  
2 following key concepts and concerns have been identified to be included as part of the  
3 process of emergency management planning:

- 4       • The plan should provide for an emergency mitigation, preparedness, response, and  
5 recovery system which is coordinated or integrated within the region, allowing for  
6 shared resources and cooperation within existing capabilities and consistent with  
7 emergency priorities established by the governing body of each jurisdiction, special  
8 district, organization or appropriate agency;
- 9       • The plan should be based on a philosophy of building cooperative partnerships using  
10 existing resources, rather than creating new bureaucracies or imposing new  
11 requirements on jurisdictions;
- 12       • The plan should identify the respective roles of the cities, the county, special districts  
13 and the private sector;
- 14       • The plan should identify ways to coordinate the allocation of emergency management  
15 materials, equipment and services during an emergency and identify how those  
16 resources should be coordinated;
- 17       • The plan should address the issue of public information, encouraging jurisdictions to  
18 strive to coordinate public statements during an emergency event;
- 19       • The plan should provide for periodic testing by which, using existing resources, the  
20 various response offices can become familiar with the roles and expectations provided  
21 for in the plan;

- 1 • The plan should recognize that effective emergency management planning in a  
2 dynamic environment is a continuous process, and should address the need for ongoing  
3 emergency management planning and periodic updates;
- 4 • Any draft regional plan proposed by the emergency management advisory committee  
5 should be submitted through each jurisdiction, special district, organization, or  
6 appropriate agency governing body for review and comment. The final plan shall not  
7 be binding on a jurisdiction until it is formally adopted by that jurisdiction;
- 8 • If additional funds are needed to implement the plan, the plan should identify possible  
9 funding sources;
- 10 • A draft of the basic plan shall be circulated by April 30, 1999;
- 11 • The basic plan shall be completed by December 31, 1999.

12           These concepts and concerns are commended to the emergency management  
13 advisory committee and the office of emergency management to be addressed as part of the  
14 regional emergency management planning process referred to above. The emergency  
15 management advisory committee is requested to report to the regional policy committee  
16 periodically on its progress in developing the plan, and to bring forward to the regional  
17 policy committee significant policy issues arising in the process.

18           BE IT FURTHER MOVED that the Executive is requested to certify to the Council  
19 in writing prior to November 15, 1998 that resources dedicated to regional emergency  
20 planning will not hamper emergency planning efforts for school districts, neighborhoods  
21 and employers in unincorporated King County.

1 BE IT FURTHER MOVED the Council is appreciative of efforts by the Executive,  
2 cities, special purpose districts and the private sector to perform regional planning with  
3 shared resources and encourages the development of a more fully developed partnership in  
4 which the parties mentioned previously seek additional resources to achieve the realizaion  
5 of regional emergency planning and management.

6 BE IT FURTHER MOVED that the Executive cooperate with the Council in  
7 drafting an ordinance formally establishing the Emergency Management Advisory  
8 Committee in the Code.

9 PASSED by a vote of 11 to 0 this 12<sup>th</sup> day of October,  
10 1998.

11 KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
12 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

13 *Louise Miller*  
14 Chair

15 ATTEST:

16 *Jim Mason*  
17 Deputy Clerk of the Council

18 Attachments: None

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