



KING COUNTY
Signature Report

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

January 24, 2011

Motion 13409

Proposed No. 2011-0021.2

Sponsors Phillips and McDermott

1 A MOTION requesting the executive to apply for
2 membership for King County in the Seattle 2030 District.

3 WHEREAS, the Seattle 2030 District is comprised of public and private entities
4 in downtown Seattle seeking to develop realistic, measureable and innovative strategies
5 to assist district property owners, managers and tenants in meeting aggressive goals that
6 reduce environmental impacts of facility construction and operations, and

7 WHEREAS, through collaboration among diverse stakeholders, leverage of
8 existing and development of new incentives and financing mechanisms and development
9 and communication of shared resources, the Seattle 2030 District seeks to prove the
10 business case for: sustainability; reducing energy and water use; and reducing of carbon
11 emissions from auto and freight, and

12 WHEREAS, the Seattle 2030 District now includes the following Seattle
13 neighborhoods in its current and planned boundaries: South Lake Union; Uptown;
14 Belltown; Denny Triangle; Downtown Retail Core; Capitol Hill; First Hill; Waterfront;
15 West Edge; Pioneer Square; International District; and SoDo, and

16 WHEREAS, the Seattle 2030 District has established the following goals for
17 existing buildings: a minimum-ten-percent reduction in energy use below the national
18 average by 2015, with incremental targets reaching a fifty-percent reduction by 2030; a
19 minimum ten percent reduction in water use below the national average by 2015, with

20 incremental targets reaching a fifty-percent reduction by 2030; and a minimum ten-
21 percent reduction in carbon emissions from auto and freight below the current downtown
22 average by 2015 with incremental targets reaching a fifty-percent reduction by 2030, and

23 WHEREAS the Seattle 2030 District has established the following goals for new
24 construction: a sixty-percent reduction in energy use below the national average
25 beginning immediately with incremental targets, reaching a target of no net contribution
26 of carbon emissions to the atmosphere by 2030; a fifty-percent reduction in water use
27 below the national average beginning immediately; and an immediate fifty-percent
28 reduction below the current average within the geographic boundaries of the Seattle 2030
29 District.

30 WHEREAS, King County owns or occupies many buildings within current and
31 planned boundaries of the Seattle 2030 District, including downtown Seattle, First Hill
32 and Pioneer Square, and

33 WHEREAS, King County has recognized for a long time that it can reduce
34 operating costs and emissions of greenhouse gases and other pollutants by reducing its
35 energy use and meeting more its energy needs with local renewable resources, and

36 WHEREAS, the goals of the Seattle 2030 District complement and help advance
37 King County's goals for energy efficiency and collaboration as stated in the King County
38 Energy Plan, and

39 WHEREAS, the 2010 King County Strategic Plan calls for the county to
40 minimize the environmental footprint of county operations, and

41 WHEREAS, King County can benefit by sharing ideas with other building owners
42 on how to reduce energy use;

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

44 A. The King County council commends the property owners and managers,
45 utilities, engineers and community stakeholders for their leadership in forming the Seattle
46 2030 District.

47 B. The King County council requests the executive to apply for membership for
48 King County in the Seattle 2030 District as both a property owner and a community
49 stakeholder. It is the understanding of the council that there are no membership dues for
50 participation in the Seattle 2030 District and that participation will be reevaluated if dues
51 are required for membership.

52 C. The King County council requests the executive commit to share data with the
53 Seattle 2030 District on energy use, climate emissions, and resource use for buildings
54 owned by King County within the boundaries of the Seattle 2030 District.

55 D. The King County council requests that the executive coordinate and make
56 available staff resources from the facilities management division and transit division and
57 other county agencies, as appropriate and adopted budget allows, to participate in the

58 Seattle 2030 District to develop innovative strategies that reduce environmental impacts
59 of facility construction and operation.
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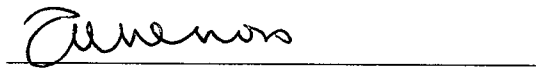
Motion 13409 was introduced on 1/10/2011 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 1/24/2011, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Mr. Phillips, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Hague,
Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Dunn and Mr.
McDermott
No: 0
Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Larry Gossett, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

Attachments: None