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INTRODUCED BY: CARY GRANT

PROPOSED NO.: 87-34

MOTION NO. 6708

A MOTION establishing and defining the composition and functions of the committees of the King County Council and rescinding Motions 6450 and 6501.

WHEREAS, the interests of citizens of King County and the efficiency of the operations of the county council are best served by apportioning the duties and responsibilities of the council among several committees;

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

A. Motions 6450 and 6501 are hereby rescinded.

B. The council may go into committee-of-the-whole at any time. The committee-of-the-whole shall consider issues of interest to the entire council that may include decisions on projects included in the 1987 work program; appointments to the state legislature, the executive branch and numerous boards and commissions; review of countywide budget and program policy matters; and review of agendas for council meetings.

C. The chair of the council shall appoint the chair, vice-chair and the membership of the standing committees, and any special ad hoc committees with consent of a majority of the councilmembers.

The standing committees are established as follows:

1. Community Planning & Development -- Function

To consider and make recommendations on community plans. To review and make recommendations on matters pertaining to special purpose district formations, mergers, annexations and other organizational changes; sewer and water agency comprehensive plans; utility franchises and easements; building, fire, plumbing and energy codes; fire flow and water pressure standards; and to

1 oversee other major relevant internal county operational
2 processes. Special projects include the Snoqualmie and Bear
3 Creek Community Plans; oversight of improvements to the land use
4 permit process; annexation procedures and review of the Economic
5 Development Plan.

6 2. Finance -- Function

7 To review and make recommendations on the executive proposed
8 budget, financial plan, revenue estimates, and capital
9 improvement program; to consider and make recommendations on all
10 proposed supplemental appropriations, bond and investment
11 proposals, and tax levies. Also to receive and examine reports
12 of the county and/or state auditors and prepare appropriate
13 recommendations to the county council. Special projects include
14 monitoring of the 1987 adopted budget, review of bond proposals,
15 bond refunding recommendations, zoo bond program implementation,
16 budget policy revisions and capital project financing and
17 budgeting issues.

18 3. Health and Environment -- Function

19 To review and make recommendations on county health-
20 related programs and facilities, and on environmental matters
21 such as solid waste and water quality. Special projects include
22 consideration of health department programs, personnel and
23 organizational policies; Harborview admissions policy and master
24 plan; solid waste planning and operating issues including
25 hazardous materials, recycling programs, energy resource
26 recovery, Cedar Hills landfill matters and critical water supply
27 and groundwater management programs, and coordination of water
28 resource planning.

29 4. Administration and Justice -- Function

30 To consider and make recommendations on matters relating to:
31 superior courts; district courts; prosecuting attorney; judicial
32 administration; youth services; assessments; and executive
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1 administration including personnel policies, records and
2 elections, property retention and transfers, and cable
3 television. To oversee and receive reports from the office of
4 citizen complaints and the board of equalization. Special
5 projects include monitoring and the comparable worth study and
6 affirmative action plan; review of the superior court judgeship
7 proposal; oversight of activities related to provision of space
8 to conduct county functions; review of youth services facility
9 and program plans; review of local government reorganization
10 proposals; oversight of CIP implementation conducted by
11 facilities management; consideration of new cable television
12 recommendations, and business license code revisions.

13 5. Parks, Planning and Resources -- Function

14 To consider and make recommendations on matters related to
15 countywide comprehensive land use policies and long-range
16 planning for open space, resource lands, and rural and urban
17 areas. To review and make recommendations on policies related to
18 parks operations, zoning code revisions, shoreline management,
19 and cultural and natural resources. Special projects include
20 review of recommendations and functional plan proposals to
21 implement the 1985 Comprehensive Plan such as the open space plan;
22 review of wetlands and short plat regulations and agriculture;
23 forestry and rural zones ordinances; and assessment of parks
24 operations.

25 6. Public Works and Facilities -- Function

26 To review and make recommendations on policies related to
27 public works, the county airport, surface water management, and
28 the Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle (METRO) transportation
29 and water quality issues. Also to review and make
30 recommendations on matters relating to the establishment and
31 vacation of county streets and roads; surface water management
32 utility implementation and other public works related policies
33 and fees. Special projects

1 include monitoring of surface water utility implementation;
2 oversight of public works long-range computer systems planning,
3 review of the King County airport master plan and oversight of
4 METRO projects and decisions.

5 7. Public Safety and Economic Development

6 To consider public policies related to public safety, adult
7 detention and the promotion and financing of economic growth and
8 publicly and privately sponsored employment and training
9 programs. To enhance economic growth by coordinating with and
10 participating in public and private organizations, including the
11 port of Seattle, the private industry council, the economic
12 development district, state departments of commerce and community
13 development, and the economic development council.

14 Special projects include oversight of the new county jail;
15 implementation of police patrol improvements including the
16 car-per-officer and court overtime reduction projects; and
17 monitoring of progress on regional crime prevention and law
18 enforcement including implementation of the new AFIS program; and
19 the review of the county's business revitalization program.

20 8. Housing & Human Services -- Function

21 To review and make recommendations on policies related to
22 human services issues such as mental illness, developmental
23 disabilities, aging, and women's programs, public defense, and on
24 housing policies and plans. Special projects include review of
25 community development block grant policy and proposals, the
26 public defender study and contracts and human services program
27 plans and policy proposals including developmental disability and
28 mental health plans and the affordable housing policy plan.

29 D. Proposed legislation may be introduced by any
30 councilmember. Ordinarily proposed legislation will be
31 introduced by the district representative. Proposed legislation
32 to be heard by the zoning and subdivision examiner will
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1 customarily be introduced by the chair of the parks, planning and
2 resources committee.

3 E. The date and time of standing committee meetings shall be
4 determined by the chair of each such committee. At least
5 twenty-four hours prior to the meeting, an agenda shall be posted
6 outside the council chambers and shall include the time and place
7 of the committee meeting. Any member of the council present at a
8 meeting of any standing committee, though not a member thereof,
9 shall be entitled to participate in the deliberations of such
10 committee, but shall not be entitled to vote therein unless
11 designated a member pro tem by the committee chair.

12 F. In order for a proposed ordinance or motion to be
13 reported out by a standing committee, a majority of the
14 membership of that committee must sign a majority
15 recommendation. The majority recommendation of the committee may
16 be "do pass," "do pass as amended," "do pass attached
17 substitute," "do not pass," "no recommendation," or "postpone
18 indefinitely". Minority reports may also be submitted by one or
19 more members of the committee.

20 G. In the absence of the chair and vice-chair of a
21 committee, a committee member, designated by the committee chair,
22 may serve as chair of the meeting.

23 PASSED this 12th day of January, 1987.

24 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
25 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

26 Gary Grant
27 Chair

28 ATTEST:

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30 Dorothy M. Owens
31 Clerk of the Council