



KING COUNTY

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Signature Report

Ordinance 20048

Proposed No. 2026-0027.3

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1 AN ORDINANCE limiting the use of King County-owned
 2 and controlled property; amending Ordinance 18665,
 3 Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.15.005, Ordinance
 4 16692, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.15.010,
 5 Ordinance 18665, Section 3, and K.C.C. 2.15.015,
 6 Ordinance 17706, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C.
 7 2.15.020, and Ordinance 19963, Section 2, as amended, and
 8 K.C.C. 2.15.050 and adding a new section to K.C.C.
 9 chapter 2.15.

10 STATEMENT OF FACTS: The Preamble of the King County Charter
 11 states that its purpose is "to form a more just, equitable and orderly
 12 government for all, . . . enable effective public participation, preserve,
 13 protect and enhance a healthy rural and urban environment and economy,
 14 promote a superior quality of life and secure the benefits of home rule and
 15 self-government."

16 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

17 SECTION 1. Ordinance 18665, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.15.005 are
 18 hereby amended to read as follows:

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19 The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context
20 clearly requires otherwise.

21 A. "Administrative warrant" means a noncriminal immigration warrant of arrest,
22 order to detain or release ((aliens)), notice of custody determination, notice to appear,
23 removal order, warrant of removal, or any other document, issued by ICE, CBP, USCIS,
24 or any other federal agency that can form the basis for a person's arrest or detention for a
25 civil immigration enforcement purpose. ICE administrative warrant forms include the
26 U.S. DHS form I-200 (Rev. 09/16) ("Warrant for Arrest of Alien") and Form I-205
27 ("Warrant Of Removal/Deportation,")₂ as well as predecessor and successor versions.
28 "Administrative warrant" does not include any criminal warrants issued upon a judicial
29 determination of probable cause and in compliance with the Fourth Amendment to the
30 United States Constitution.

31 B. "Agency" means a King County department, agency, division, commission,
32 council, committee, board, other body, or person, established by authority of an
33 ordinance, executive order, or charter.

34 C. "Agent" means a person acting within the scope of employment by or acting
35 on behalf of an agency.

36 D. "CBP" means the United States Customs and Border Protection agency of the
37 United States Department of Homeland Security and shall include any successor federal
38 agency charged with border enforcement.

39 E. "Citizenship or immigration status" means a person's recorded citizenship or
40 immigration status, as such status is defined in the Immigration and Nationality Act, at
41 the time an agent or agency receives the information.

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42 F. "Civil immigration enforcement operation" means an operation that has as one
43 of its objectives the identification or apprehension of a person or persons in order to
44 investigate them for a violation of the immigration laws and subject them to one or more
45 of the following:

- 46 1. Civil immigration detention;
- 47 2. Removal proceedings; and
- 48 3. Removal from the United States.

49 G. "Civil immigration enforcement related area" includes an area used for:

50 1. An operation base used for the planning, coordinating, and execution of civil
51 immigration enforcement activities;

52 2. A processing location used for the identification, intake, or processing of
53 documentation for people who have been arrested, detained, or temporarily held in
54 connection with civil immigration enforcement operations; and

55 3. A staging area used for the assembly, mobilization, or deployment of
56 vehicles, equipment, or materials, and related personnel, for the purpose of executing
57 civil immigration enforcement operations.

58 H. "Coerce" means to use express or implied threats towards a person or any
59 family member of a person that attempts to put the person in immediate fear of the
60 consequences in order to compel that person to act against the person's will.

61 ((H.)) I. "Commitment" means confinement in secure detention for a specified
62 amount of time following a determination of guilt. "Commitment" does not include
63 pretrial detention of any persons such as those who are unable to post bail.

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64 ((I.)) J. "Contractor" means a regional coalition or authority, state or local
65 government, tribe, person, firm, corporation, or partnership providing health, housing, or
66 human services in accordance with a contract with King County and including any
67 subcontractor, employee, and agent thereof.

68 K. "County-owned and controlled property" means real property owned and
69 controlled by King County, or leased to and controlled by King County, including
70 nonpublic areas of buildings or a county facility, parking lots, garages, and vacant lots, as
71 well as any designated open space lands and public parks, where each is provided for
72 recreational purposes, not including the public right-of-way used for pedestrian and
73 vehicular traffic or the King County International Airport. For the purposes of this
74 definition, civil immigration enforcement is not a recreational purpose.

75 L. "Employee" means a person who is appointed as an employee by the
76 appointing authority of a county agency, office, department, council, board, commission
77 or other separate unit or division of county government, however designated, acting
78 within the scope of employment by or acting on behalf of the county. "County
79 employee" also includes a county elected official and a member of a county board,
80 commission, committee or other multimember body, but does not include an official or
81 employee of the county's judicial branch, though it does include an employee of the
82 department of judicial administration.

83 ((K.)) M. "ICE" means the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement
84 agency including Enforcement and Removal Operations and Homeland Security
85 Investigations and shall include any successor federal agency charged with the
86 enforcement of immigration laws.

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87 ((L.)) N. "Immigration detainer" means a request by ICE to a federal, state or
88 local law enforcement agency, such as the King County department of adult and juvenile
89 detention, to provide notice of release or maintain custody of a person based on an
90 alleged violation of a civil immigration law. "Immigration detainer" includes a detainer
91 issued under Sections 236 or 287 of the Immigration and Nationality Act or 287.7 or
92 236.1 of Title 8 of the Code of Federal Regulations. "Immigration detainer" includes a
93 detainer issued under DHS form I-274A entitled Immigration Detainer- Notice of Action,
94 as well as predecessor and successor versions.

95 ((M.)) O. "Interpretation" means the transfer of an oral communication from one
96 language to another.

97 ((N.)) P. "Limited-English-proficient" means a person who does not speak
98 English as the person's primary language, who has a limited ability to read, speak, write,
99 or understand English.

100 ((O.)) Q. "Nonpublic" means any area of a county facility, including the secure
101 detention facilities of the department of adult and juvenile detention that is not generally
102 open and accessible to the general public, but instead requires special permission for
103 admittance by a county employee on an individual basis. "Nonpublic" also means any
104 area of a contractor's facility, used to provide services under the county contract, that is
105 not generally open and accessible to the general public, but instead requires the
106 contractor's permission for admittance to that area.

107 ((P.)) R. "Peace officer" means a duly appointed city, county, or state law
108 enforcement officer.

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109 S. "Personal information" means one or more of the following, when the
110 information is linked with or is reasonably linkable, including via analytic technology, to
111 the person's first name or first initial and last name:

- 112 1. Home address;
- 113 2. Work address;
- 114 3. Telephone number;
- 115 4. Electronic mail address;
- 116 5. Social media handle or other identifying social media information;
- 117 6. Any other means of contacting a person;
- 118 7. Social security number;
- 119 8. Driver's license number or Washington identification card number;
- 120 9. Bank account number or credit or debit card number;
- 121 10. Information or data collected through the use or operation of an automated
122 license plate recognition system;
- 123 11. User name that, in combination with a password or security question and
124 answer, would permit access to an online account; and
- 125 12. Date of birth.

126 ((Q.)) T. "Public communication materials" means materials that are intended for
127 broad distribution to inform or educate people served by King County. For the purpose
128 of translation, "public communication materials" refers only to printed media such as
129 brochures, posters, booklets, pamphlets, billboards, and advertisements in printed
130 publications.

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131 ((R.)) U. "Public officer" means a person holding office under a city, county, or
132 state government, or the federal government who performs a public function and in so
133 doing is vested with the exercise of some sovereign power of government, and includes
134 all assistants, deputies, clerks, and employees of any public officer and all persons
135 lawfully exercising or assuming to exercise any of the powers or functions of a public
136 officer.

137 V. "Translation" means the transfer of a written communication from one
138 language to another while preserving the intent and essential meaning of the original text.

139 ((S.)) W. "USCIS" shall mean the United States Citizenship and Immigration
140 Services and any successor agency charged with overseeing United States immigration
141 laws.

142 ((T.)) X. "Verbal abuse" means the use of a remark which is overtly insulting,
143 mocking, or belittling directed at a person based upon the actual or perceived:

- 144 1. One or more of the protected classes as defined in K.C.C. chapter 3.12D or
145 English proficiency; or
146 2. Citizenship or immigration status of the person or the person's family
147 member.

148 ((U.)) Y. "Vital documents" are materials that provide essential information for
149 accessing basic county services and benefits and for which serious consequences would
150 result if the information were not provided.

151 SECTION 2. Ordinance 16692, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.15.010 are
152 hereby amended to read as follows:

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153 A. Except as otherwise provided in this section or when otherwise required by
154 law, a Reverend Doctor Martin Luther King, Jr., County office, department, employee,
155 agency, or agent shall not condition the provision of county services on the citizenship or
156 immigration status of any person.

157 B. All applications, questionnaires, and interview forms used in relation to the
158 provision of county benefits, opportunities, or services shall be reviewed by each agency,
159 and any question requiring disclosure of information related to citizenship, immigration
160 status, or national origin unless required by state or federal law, or international treaty,
161 shall be deleted. Agencies that are required by state or federal law, or international
162 treaty, to collect immigration status or national origin information must separate that
163 information from personal information in the agencies' records as soon as is practicable.

164 C. The department of public health shall not condition the provision of health
165 benefits, opportunities, or services on matters related to citizenship, national origin, or
166 immigration status. The department of public health may inquire about or disclose
167 information relating to a person's citizenship, national origin, or immigration status for
168 the purpose of determining eligibility for benefits or seeking reimbursement from federal,
169 state, or other third-party payers.

170 D. Except when otherwise required by law, where the county accepts
171 presentation of a state-issued driver's license or identification card as adequate evidence
172 of identity, presentation of a state-issued document marked as not valid for federal
173 purposes or presentation of a photo identity document issued by the person's nation of
174 origin, such as a driver's license, passport, or other consul-issued document, such as a
175 Matricula Consular de Alta Seguridad, shall also be accepted and shall not subject the

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176 person to a higher level of scrutiny or different treatment than if the person had provided
177 a Washington state driver's license or identification card. A request for translation of
178 such a document to English shall not be deemed a violation of any provision of this
179 chapter; however, translation services may not be provided by any federal immigration
180 authority. This subsection does not apply to documentation required to complete a
181 federal I-9 employment eligibility verification form. Once the county agency's legitimate
182 purpose in viewing the required documentation is completed, the documentation shall be
183 promptly returned to its owner. Copies of the required documentation shall not be made
184 or maintained by a county agency unless otherwise required by law.

185 E. A county employee or an agent or agency of King County shall not inquire
186 about or request, from a member of the public information about the citizenship, national
187 origin, or immigration status or place of birth of any person unless the inquiry, request, or
188 investigation is required by state or federal law, regulation, or directive or court order or
189 rule, or to ensure compliance with any state or federal law, regulation, or directive or
190 court order. When an inquiry, request, or investigation into nationality, immigration
191 status or citizenship, including place of birth, is required to be or for any reason is made,
192 the King County agent or county employee shall not attempt to coerce a response. All
193 persons to whom the inquiries are made shall be explicitly informed of their right to
194 decline to respond, free from fear or threat of retaliation.

195 F. Agents of King County and county employees are hereby prohibited from
196 conditioning King County services on immigration status, except where required under
197 applicable federal or state law or regulation or directive or court order or rule. Agents of
198 King County and county employees are prohibited from verbally abusing or coercing

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199 persons or threatening to report them or their family members to ICE or threatening to
200 take other immigration-related action against them or their family members.

201 G. Except where necessary to provide King County services, for performance
202 measurement purposes including data analysis conducted to ensure services are being
203 provided in an equitable and nondiscriminatory manner, or where otherwise required by
204 state or federal law or regulation or directive or court order, King County agents and
205 employees are not permitted to obtain, maintain, or share information about one or more
206 of a person's protected classes as defined in K.C.C. chapter 3.12D, language proficiency,
207 housing status, financial status, status as a victim of domestic violence, criminal history,
208 or release date from incarceration or confinement in a secure detention or other custody.

209 H. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as to prohibit any county employee,
210 upon request of the noncitizen, from aiding a noncitizen to obtain immigration benefits
211 pursuant federal immigration law.

212 I. An agent of King County or a county employee shall not expend any time,
213 moneys, real property assets, or other resources on facilitating the civil enforcement of
214 federal immigration law or participating in civil immigration enforcement operations,
215 except where state or federal law, regulation, or court order shall so require. However, a
216 county agency, employee or agent is not prohibited from sending to, or receiving from,
217 federal immigration authorities, information regarding the citizenship or immigration
218 status of a person. Also, nothing in this section prohibits any county agency from
219 sending to, receiving from, requesting from, or exchanging with any federal, state, or
220 local government agency information regarding the immigration status of a person or
221 from maintaining such information.

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222 J. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit any county employee
223 from participating in cross-designation or task force activities with federal law
224 enforcement authorities for criminal law enforcement.

225 K. The executive shall ensure that all King County employees and agents receive
226 appropriate training on the implementation of the provisions of this section.

227 SECTION 3. Ordinance 18665, Section 3, and K.C.C. 2.15.015 are hereby
228 amended to read as follows:

229 A. The King County sheriff's office shall not request specific documents relating
230 to a person's civil immigration status from a member of the public, for the sole purpose of
231 determining whether the person has violated federal civil immigration laws. The
232 documents include but are not limited to:

- 233 1. Passports;
- 234 2. ((Alien registration)) Permanent resident cards; or
- 235 3. Work permits.

236 B. The sheriff's office may use documents relating to a person's civil immigration
237 status if the documents are offered by the person upon a general, nonspecific request.

238 C. The sheriff's office shall not use stops for minor offenses or requests for
239 voluntary information as a pretext for discovering a person's immigration status.

240 D. The sheriff's office shall not initiate any inquiry of, or enforcement action
241 against, a member of the public, based solely on a person's:

- 242 1. Civil immigration status;
- 243 2. Race;
- 244 3. Inability to speak English;

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245 4. Inability to understand the sheriff's office personnel; or

246 5. Hit on the National Crime Information Center database.

247 E.1. Where there is a reasonable opportunity, and when resources allow, upon
248 notification by King County staff or 911 dispatchers of public or peace officers' attempts
249 or actual use of a county-owned and controlled property as a civil immigration
250 enforcement related area, the sheriff's office shall confirm the credentials of public or
251 peace officers.

252 2. The sheriff's office shall document and report that activity in accordance with
253 section 7 of this ordinance.

254 3. The sheriff's office shall advise the public or peace officers of this chapter
255 and request that they leave county-owned and controlled property.

256 4. If public or peace officers refuse to leave county-owned and controlled
257 property, the sheriff's office shall document evidence of violations of this section.

258 5. The sheriff's office may provide evidence of public or peace officers' refusal
259 to leave county-owned and controlled property to the prosecuting attorney's office for
260 appropriate legal action and enforcement.

261 6. If an injunction or other relief is granted, the sheriff's office shall follow
262 standard procedures for enforcing such court orders.

263 7. Activities and uses in violation of this section may be subject to removal
264 upon issuance of an appropriate order. Except where state or federal law, regulation, or
265 court order or rule shall so require, the use of county-owned and controlled property as a
266 civil immigration enforcement related area is prohibited.

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267 SECTION 4. Ordinance 17706, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.15.020 are
268 hereby amended to read as follows:

269 A. An agent of King County or county employee shall not expend any time,
270 moneys, real property assets, or other resources on facilitating the civil enforcement of
271 federal immigration law or participating in civil immigration enforcement operations,
272 except where state or federal law, regulation, or court order or rule shall so require.
273 However, a county agency, employee, or agent is not prohibited from sending to, or
274 receiving from, federal immigration authorities, the citizenship or immigration status of a
275 person. Also, nothing in this section prohibits any county agency from sending to,
276 receiving from, requesting from or exchanging with any federal, state, or local
277 government agency information regarding the immigration status of a person or from
278 maintaining such information.

279 B. King County and its agents and departments and county employees shall not:

280 1. Enter into any contract, agreement, or arrangement, whether written or oral,
281 that would grant federal civil immigration enforcement authority or powers to King
282 County or its agents or law enforcement officers, including but not limited to agreements
283 created under 8 U.S.C. Sec. 1357(g) or Intergovernmental Service Agreements;

284 2. Honor immigration detainer requests or administrative warrants issued by
285 ICE, CBP, USCIS, or any other federal agency, or hold any person upon the basis of an
286 ICE, CBP, USCIS, or any other federal agency detainer request or administrative warrant
287 unless such request or warrant is accompanied by a criminal warrant issued by a United
288 States District Court judge or magistrate. The sheriff's office or the department of adult
289 and juvenile detention personnel shall not carry out a civil arrest, detain a person after the

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290 release date set by a court, or refuse to accept a bond based on an administrative warrant
291 separately or in combination with an ICE, CBP, USCIS, or any other federal agency
292 detainer request;

293 3. For purposes of execution of federal civil immigration enforcement, permit
294 ((ICE, CBP, USCIS, or any other federal agency officers, agents, or representatives))
295 public or peace officers access to nonpublic areas of King County's facilities, property,
296 equipment or nonpublic databases, or nonpublic portions of otherwise public databases,
297 or people in King County's custody, absent a judicial criminal warrant specifying the
298 information or persons sought unless otherwise required by state or federal law. Any
299 warrantless attempts or requests for access to those facilities, property, equipment, or
300 nonpublic databases shall be immediately sent to the department or agency director or
301 their designee responsible for the operation of the facility, property, database, or
302 equipment. Permission to access any such a facility, property, equipment, or nonpublic
303 database without a judicial criminal warrant may only be provided with the express,
304 written approval of the appropriate person. Any detention facilities, including secure
305 detention facilities, prisons, and halfway houses, that King County contracts with or
306 leases land to for the purposes of criminal or civil detention must include the requirement
307 in this subsection B.3. in any contract with King County; ((and))

308 4. Authorize the use of any county-owned and controlled property for civil
309 immigration enforcement operations, including as a civil immigration enforcement
310 related area, except where state or federal law, regulation, or court order or rule shall so
311 require, as those actions do not comply with the King County Charter, the King County
312 Code, and policies; and

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313 5. Provide personal information to federal immigration authorities for purpose
314 of civil immigration enforcement, except as required by state or federal law, about any
315 person, including place of birth or household members, the services received by the
316 person or the person's next court date or release date, absent a warrant signed by a judge
317 or a law requiring disclosure.

318 C.1. If permission to access a King County detention facility without a judicial
319 criminal warrant is granted to ICE, CBP, USCIS, or any other federal agency in
320 accordance with subsection B.3. of this section for the purpose of conducting an
321 interview that does not relate to civil immigration enforcement with a person who is in
322 the custody of the department of adult and juvenile detention, the department of adult and
323 juvenile detention shall provide the person with an oral explanation and a written consent
324 form that explains the purpose of the interview, that the interview is voluntary, and that
325 the person may decline to be interviewed or may choose to be interviewed only with the
326 person's attorney present. The form shall state explicitly that the person will not be
327 punished or suffer retaliation for declining to be interviewed. The form shall be available
328 in English, Spanish, and any other language identified by the county's language
329 assistance plan as established in K.C.C. 2.15.030.B. and explained orally to a person who
330 is unable to read the form. The requesting officials shall only be permitted to interview
331 persons who have consented in writing to be interviewed, absent a judicial criminal
332 warrant.

333 2. Upon receiving a civil or criminal immigration warrant, detainer, hold,
334 notification, or transfer request, the department of adult and juvenile detention personnel

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335 shall provide a copy of the request to the person and inform the person whether the
336 department intends to comply with the request.

337 3. Consistent with Article 36 of the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations,
338 any person in custody or detention shall be informed through the person's attorney of the
339 right to communicate with the consular post of a country of which the person is a
340 national, if other than the United States, and informed that the person's consular officers
341 have the right to visit, converse, or correspond with the person, if the person wishes the
342 communication. If a person chooses to disclose that the person is a foreign national and
343 requests consular notification, the custodian shall contact the appropriate consulate. The
344 informed consent requirements of the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations shall
345 apply to all such inquiries. The same requirements shall apply to inquiries into
346 nationality status for the purpose of complying with mandatory consular notification
347 under any bilateral consular convention. In all cases, identification as a foreign national
348 shall be voluntary and based on informed consent by the person.

349 4. King County shall consider all records relating to ICE, CBP, USCIS, or any
350 other federal agency access to facilities and information, including all communications
351 with ICE, CBP, USCIS, or any other federal agency to be public records for purposes of
352 chapter 42.56 RCW, the state Public Records Act, and King County shall handle all such
353 requests in accordance with the usual procedures for receipt of public records requests.

354 SECTION 5. Ordinance 19963, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.15.050 are
355 hereby amended to read as follows:

356 A. Except as otherwise provided in this section, in performing its obligations
357 under its contract with King County, the contractor shall not expend any time, moneys,

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358 real property assets, or other resources on facilitating the civil enforcement of federal
359 immigration law or participating in civil immigration enforcement operations, except
360 where a state or federal law, regulation, or court order or rule so requires. However, a
361 contractor is not prohibited from sending to, or receiving from, federal immigration
362 authorities, the citizenship or immigration status of a person. Also, nothing in this
363 section prohibits any contractor from sending to, receiving from, requesting from, or
364 exchanging with any federal, state, or local government agency information regarding the
365 immigration status of a person or from maintaining the information.

366 B. In providing the contracted services, a contractor shall not:

367 1. For purposes of execution of federal civil immigration enforcement against
368 persons receiving services under the contract, permit ICE, CBP, USCIS, or any other
369 federal agency officers, agents, or representatives access to nonpublic areas of the
370 contractor's facilities, real or personal property, equipment, or nonpublic databases or
371 nonpublic portions of otherwise public databases, absent a judicial criminal warrant
372 specifying the information or persons sought, or unless otherwise required by state or
373 federal law. Notice of all attempts or requests for access to those facilities, real or
374 personal property, equipment, nonpublic databases, or nonpublic portions of otherwise
375 public databases, with or without a warrant, shall be immediately sent to King County in
376 accordance with the terms of the contract. Permission given to ICE, CBP, USCIS, or any
377 other federal agency officers, agents, or representatives to access any such a facility, real
378 or personal property, equipment, nonpublic database, or nonpublic portion of an
379 otherwise public database without a judicial criminal warrant may only be provided with
380 the prior express, written approval of the appropriate county employee identified in the

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381 contract. All contractors shall make a good faith effort to strictly comply with this
382 subsection; however, inadvertent or mistaken permission giving warrantless access to
383 ICE, CBP, USCIS, or any other federal agency officers, agents, or representatives is not a
384 breach of contract. All contracts subject to this section entered into on or after January 1,
385 2026, shall include as a term of the contract the prohibitions of this subsection B.1. and
386 identify the appropriate county employee;

387 2. Provide personal information relating to persons receiving services under the
388 contract to federal immigration authorities for purpose of civil immigration enforcement,
389 except as required by state or federal law, about any person, including place of birth or
390 household members, the services received by the person or the person's next court date or
391 release date, absent a warrant signed by a judge or a law requiring disclosure. All
392 contracts subject to this section entered into on or after January 1, 2026, shall include as a
393 term of the contract the prohibitions of this subsection B.2.; and

394 3. Inquire about, or request information of, the citizenship, national origin,
395 immigration status, or place of birth, from any person in the furtherance of providing
396 services in accordance with a contract with King County unless the inquiry or request is
397 required by state or federal law, regulation, or court order or rule, or is necessary for the
398 contractor to effectively provide the services under the contract. The contractor may
399 inquire about or disclose information relating to a person's citizenship, national origin,
400 immigration status, or place of birth for the purpose of determining eligibility for benefits
401 or seeking reimbursement from federal, state, or other third-party payers. When an
402 inquiry about or request for information of the citizenship, national origin, immigration
403 status, or place of birth is required or for any reason is made, the contractor shall not

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404 attempt to coerce a response. All persons to whom the inquiries or requests are made
405 shall be explicitly informed of their right to decline to respond, free from fear or threat of
406 retaliation.

407 NEW SECTION. SECTION 6. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 2.15 a
408 new section to read as follows:

409 A.1. The executive shall design clear signage or templates for stating: "This
410 property shall not be used for civil immigration enforcement staging, operations, or
411 processing."

412 2. The executive shall work with county agencies to identify county-owned and
413 county-controlled properties that are at high risk for being used as civil immigration
414 enforcement related areas. Agencies responsible for such properties shall, wherever
415 practicable, post the signage referenced above and develop strategies to increase security
416 measures for such properties, including using physical barriers such as locked gates to
417 limit access. Agencies may add the sign statement referenced above to existing signs.

418 B.1. Within thirty days of the date of enactment of this ordinance, county
419 departments and agencies shall develop the procedures necessary to implement this
420 ordinance. The implementing procedures shall provide that any county employee who
421 becomes aware of the attempted or actual use of a county-owned and county-controlled
422 property as a civil immigration enforcement related area shall immediately report the
423 attempted or actual use to the department or agency director or their designee responsible
424 for the operation of the property who shall report it to the executive. The executive shall
425 notify all councilmembers of reports of the attempted or actual use of a county-owned
426 and county-controlled property as a civil immigration enforcement related area.

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427 2. The executive shall work with the office of equity and racial and social
428 justice, or its successor in carrying out the duties of the office, and staff in relevant
429 agencies to implement training for county employees on this chapter or incorporate
430 training on this chapter into existing training for relevant staff in relevant agencies. This
431 requirement is not intended to duplicate existing training.

432 C. This section does not apply to property that is subject to an existing lease or
433 concession agreement to which the county is a party. This section is not intended to, and
434 shall not be interpreted to, interfere with any such lease or agreement.

435 D. Nothing in this section shall be construed as restricting or interfering with the
436 execution of lawful judicial warrants, court orders, or the enforcement of criminal law,
437 nor as limiting the rights of any person or entity under state or federal law. This section
438 does not prohibit the lawful use of county-owned and controlled property for purposes
439 other than a civil immigration enforcement related area, nor does it restrict any person or
440 entity from carrying out functions unrelated to those purposes on such property.

441 SECTION 7. Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or its application to

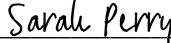
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442 any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance or the
443 application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.


Ordinance 20048 was introduced on 2/17/2026 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 3/24/2026, by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Fain, Lewis, Mosqueda and Perry
No: 1 - Dunn
Excused: 1 - von Reichbauer

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Signed by:

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Sarah Perry, Chair

ATTEST:

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