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Introduced GARY GRANT

Proposed No. 89-680

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ORDINANCE NO.

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3 AN ORDINANCE relating to the recording, maintenance and  
4 preservation of permanent records, establishing a fund  
5 entitled Recorder's Operation and Maintenance Fund  
6 Account, No. 109, for revenues collected as defined  
7 within Chapter 204, Laws of Washington 1989 providing  
8 for the appropriation and expenditure of the funds  
and the investment of any fund balance; for the  
enhancement and upgrading of the current technology  
used to access, maintain and preserve documents  
recorded in King County; and repealing Ordinance 1660  
Sections 1 and 2 and K.C.C. 2.12.120 and substituting  
a new section, and adding new sections to K.C.C. 2.12.

PREAMBLE:

9 In celebration of the Washington State Centennial, the  
10 State Legislature has enacted several amendments and new  
11 sections to RCW chapter 36.18 that allow for historical  
12 records preservation and modernization of technology  
used to store, maintain and access documents recorded in  
Washington's counties.

13 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

14 NEW SECTION. SECTION 1. There is added to K.C.C. 2.12 a new

15 section read as follows: A. There is hereby established a  
16 special revenue fund titled "Recorder's Operation and Maintenance  
17 Fund Number 109", for the purpose of having deposited within it  
18 all revenues collected from the additional recording fee  
19 authorized by Chapter 204, Laws of Washington 1989. This fund  
20 shall be a first tier fund as described in K.C.C. 4.10.010. The  
21 records and elections division manager shall be the fund manager.  
22 The revenue contained in this fund shall be expended solely for  
23 the purpose of acquiring, installing and maintaining an improved  
24 system for copying, preserving and indexing documents recorded in  
25 or filed with the King County records and elections division and  
26 for further preserving those official documents filed in King  
27 County that are deemed archival per state archival standards.

28 B. The finance manager is authorized to invest any monies in  
29 the fund not required for immediate expenditure in accordance with  
30 the second paragraph of RCW 36.29.020.

31 C. The funds are to be used solely for the purposes author-  
32 ized by Chapter 204 and shall not be added to the county's current  
33 expense fund, but shall be distributed as follows:

1                   1. Fifty percent of the revenue generated through this  
2 surcharge shall be transmitted monthly to the state treasurer who  
3 shall distribute such funds back to the county finance manager and  
4 then to the special revenue Fund #109 in July of each year  
5 pursuant to state law. The portion of the surcharge transmitted  
6 to the state shall expire on January 1, 1995 at which time the  
7 surcharge shall be reduced to one dollar per instrument.

8                   2. Fifty percent of the revenue generated shall be retained  
9 by records and elections and deposited directly into Fund #109 and  
10 not added to the county current expense fund. On January 1, 1995  
11 the remaining one dollar per instrument shall continue to go into  
12 this fund.

13                   NEW SECTION. SECTION 2. There is added to K.C.C. 2.12 a new  
14 section to read as follows:

15                   A. There is established within the records and elections  
16 division an enhanced program for preserving, copying, maintaining,  
17 and indexing documents officially recorded and filed with the  
18 county that require preservation in the public interest against  
19 age and environmental degradation before they are irreparably  
20 damaged. The program shall take advantage of the latest  
21 technology for records preservation to include, but not limited  
22 to, photomicrographic and computerized electronic digital storage  
23 methods.

24                   B. To support the program the records and elections manager  
25 shall collect the two dollar fee provided by state law as amended  
26 for each document recorded in the recorder's office, which shall  
27 be in addition to any other authorized fee or charge.

28                   C. The fee of two dollars shall be used for only those  
29 purposes outlined by state law as amended, that is, to provide for  
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the installation and maintenance of an improved system for copying, preserving and indexing documents recorded in King County and for the preservation of those records deemed archival.

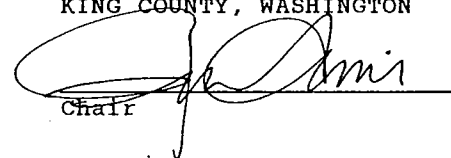
SECTION 3. Ordinance 1660, Sections 1 and 2 and K.C.C. 2.12.120 are hereby repealed and the following substituted:

Recording of official and public documents - fees. The manager, records and elections division, shall charge such fees for the provision of recording services as are provided for county auditors in chapter 36.18 RCW.


INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1989.

PASSED this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1989.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

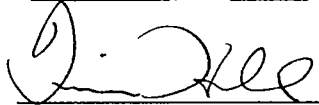
  
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ATTEST:



Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 26 day of October, 1989.



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