

June 14, 1993
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Introduced by: Sims

Proposed No.: 93-456

ORDINANCE NO. 10878

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AN ORDINANCE making a supplemental appropriation of \$454,782 to the Office of Cable Communications from the unencumbered current expense fund balance, to conduct a formal cable television franchise renewal, disappropriating \$454,782 from Transfers to Capital Funds and appropriating \$454,782 to the Major Maintenance Reserve Fund and amending Ordinance 10641, Sections 23, 41, and 109, as amended.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. There is hereby approved and adopted an appropriation of \$454,782 to the office of cable communications from the unencumbered Current Expense Fund balance in order to conduct a formal cable television franchise renewal.

SECTION 2. Ordinance 10641, Section 23, as amended, is hereby amended by adding thereto and inserting therein the following:

OFFICE OF CABLE COMMUNICATIONS - From the Current Expense Fund, there is hereby appropriated to:

Office of Cable Communications	\$454,782
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SECTION 3. Ordinance 10641, Section 41, as amended, is

1 following amounts for the specific projects identified in
 2 Attachment No. 2 of this ordinance.

3 FUND CAPITAL FUND

4 342 Major Maintenance Reserve \$454,782

5 SECTION 6. The Major Maintenance Reserve Fund shall be
 6 repaid \$454,782 when funds are received by the county from the
 7 cable television franchise renewal.

8 INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 7th day
 9 of June, 1993

10 PASSED this 14th day of June, 1993

11 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
 12 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

13 Audrey Luger
 14 Chair

15 ATTEST:

16 Donald G. Peterson
 17 Clerk of the Council

18 APPROVED this 25th day of June, 1993.

19 Jim Hill
 20 King County Executive

21 Attachments:

KING COUNTY COUNCIL

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FISCAL MANAGEMENT & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

DATE: June 9, 1993

Proposed Ordinance 93-456: Making a supplemental appropriation of \$559,612 to the Office of Cable Communications from the unencumbered current expense fund balance, to conduct a formal cable television franchise renewal, disappropriating \$921,612 from Transfers to Capital Funds and appropriating \$921,612 to the Major Maintenance Reserve Fund.

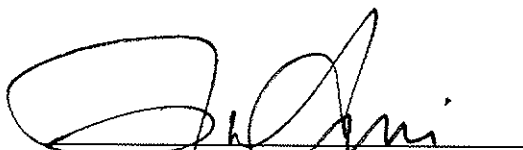
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- AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AND DATED _____ (List if more than one)


RON SIMS, CHAIR


KENT PULLEN, VICE-CHAIR

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TO: COUNCIL CLERK

TYPE:

ORDINANCE/MOTION

DATE SUBMITTED: 6/3/93

DATE FOR COUNCIL ACTION: 6/14/93

appropriation of \$559,612
to Office of Cable
Communications



SIGNED:

RON SIMS, COUNCILMEMBER



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June 3, 1993

The Honorable Audrey Gruger, Chair
King County Council
Room 402
C O U R T H O U S E

RE: Supplemental Budget Ordinance Regarding Cable Television

Dear Councilmember Gruger:

Attached is a supplemental budget ordinance which, when adopted, will enable King County to conduct a formal cable television franchise renewal with TCI Cablevision of Washington, Inc. (TCI) and to challenge the cable television rate regulations recently promulgated by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). TCI places its equipment on County roads under the authority of long-term franchises granted by the County. TCI's franchises are expiring, and renewal negotiations between the County and TCI are deadlocked. Federal law provides that such deadlocks can be resolved through a formal request for proposal and a hearing process.

In addition, the FCC recently adopted rules for regulating cable television rates. Local governments are affected by and play a significant role in implementing those rules. The rules, as currently adopted, enable cable companies to directly pass through to subscribers the cost of benefits the community obtains in franchise renewals. The rules also permit a cable company to challenge rates based on the company's costs but do not allow a local government to reduce rates on the same basis.

The estimated costs for the formal franchise renewal total \$534,612.00. Over \$520,000 of these costs is for outside consultant services; the remainder is to cover expenses that will be incurred by the Office of Cable Communications in connection

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The Honorable Audrey Gruger
June 3, 1993
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I am also proposing that \$25,000 be allocated to challenge the FCC's cable television rate regulations. The total cost of challenging the regulations will be up to \$100,000, which consists entirely of outside legal services. The County should seek other counties and cities to join in this effort, and to share the financial burden of the challenge.

The Cable Television Refranchising Oversight Committee, which includes Council representation, has reviewed and approved the decision to proceed using a formal renewal process, and funds for these projects have been mutually identified with Councilmember Sims.

Funding for this appropriation will temporarily come from the Current Expense transfer to CIP funds. In order to backfill this loss, the newly formed Major Maintenance Reserve Fund will appropriate the same amount to CIP transfers from revenue to be received from the State related to the Initiative 62 lawsuit. This source will also be reimbursed once the cable contract is renewed.

I recommend that the proposed ordinance be adopted by the Council.
Thank you.

Sincerely,



Tim Hill
King County Executive

Enclosure

cc: King County Councilmembers

ATTN: Cal Hoggard, Program Director
Jerry Peterson, Administrator
Nina Rivkin, Council Staff

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June 9, 1993
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SUBSTITUTE
ORDINANCE NO. _____

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2 AN ORDINANCE making a supplemental
3 appropriation of \$454,782 to the Office
4 of Cable Communications from the Major
5 Maintenance Reserve Fund, to conduct a
6 formal cable television franchise
7 renewal, and amending Ordinance 10641,
8 Section 23, as amended.

9 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

10 SECTION 1. There is hereby approved and adopted an
11 appropriation of \$454,782 to the Office of cable
12 communications to conduct a formal cable television franchise
13 renewal, from proceeds from the Initiative 62 settlement, which
14 by ordinance 10728 shall be deposited in the the Major
15 Maintenance Reserve Fund. The Major Maintenance Reserve Fund
16 shall be repaid \$454,782 when funds are received by the county
17 from the cable television franchise renewal.

18 SECTION 2. Ordinance 10641, Section 23, as amended, is
19 hereby amended by adding thereto and inserting therein the
20 following:

21 OFFICE OF CABLE COMMUNICATIONS - From the Current
22 Expense Fund, there is hereby appropriated to:

1 following amounts for the specific projects identified in
2 Attachment No. 2 of this ordinance.

3 FUND CAPITAL FUND

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4 342 Major Maintenance Reserve \$921,612

5 SECTION 6. Ordinance 10641, Section 109, Attachment 2, as
6 amended, is hereby amended by adding thereto and inserting
7 therein the following:

8 Fund Project Description Amount

9 342 341395 Transfer to Fund 395 \$921,612

10 INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 7th day
11 of June, 1993.

12 PASSED this _____ day of _____, 19__.

13 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
14 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

15 _____
16 Chair

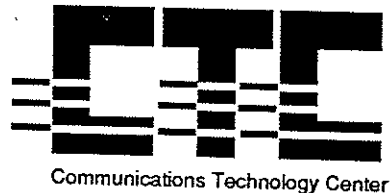
17 ATTEST:

18 _____
19 Clerk of the Council

20 APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 19__.

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KING COUNTY COUNCIL - CABLE FRANCHISE HEARING, JUNE 14, 1993

On behalf of the Community and Technical Colleges, I would like to thank you for the opportunity to address you today.

The Community and Technical Colleges look forward to the time when we can provide "Demand Site Instruction." This means instruction when and where it is needed.

To reach this goal, our needs include:

- Two dedicated cable channels with option to additional channels when 80% capacity of prime time is filled.
- A two-way audio, video (fiber) network linking all six community and technical colleges whose service area lies within the franchise area. This network should also include K-12 and four institutions necessary for articulation of course delivery and educational services.
- The two-way network, or institutional network (I-Net), must interface with an identical network in the Seattle and Bellevue franchise areas. Ten colleges would then be linked for "course sharing", inservice and administrative needs. Other adjacent I Net systems should be linked as they are developed.
- All six colleges need to be origination sites for the I Net and cable channels in order to share local culturally diverse programming and to provide equal access to students.
- Internal fiber systems need to be developed on each campus to originate a variety of classes and cultural programming.
- Studio upgrade is necessary at Shoreline Community College and remote equipment at Green River Community College. These production resources would be shared with other colleges.

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2	Monroe S. Shropshire King Co. Fire Chiefs	
3	MARK EMERY KING Co. TRAINING OFFICER	19900 144 AV NE WOODINVILLE, 98072
4	Lee Cummings King County Fire Commissioners	10828 SE 176th St Renton, WA 98055
5	Marlene Scordian Weglin communications Technology Center for the WA. C.T.C.	3000 Landerholm Circle SE Bellevue WA 98001
6	BOB HORLICK KENT SCHOOL DISTRICT	27433 216th AVE. SE KENT, WA 98042
	Tim Dimalva	

DATE INTRODUCED 06-07-93 PROPOSED ORDINANCE N

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TITLE: AN ORDINANCE making a supplemental appro
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franchise renewal, disappropriating \$921
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Reserve Fund and amending Ordinance 1064
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