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ORDINANCE NO. **11962**

AN ORDINANCE relating to public transit policies, rules, procedures and penalties, repealing Ordinance 11033, Sections 2, 3 (part), 4, as amended, 5, as amended, 10, 11, 13, 14, and 17, Ordinance 11950, Section 9, and K.C.C. 28.91.020, K.C.C. 28.92.050, K.C.C. 28.92.080, K.C.C. 28.92.110, K.C.C. 28.92.150, K.C.C. 28.92.160, K.C.C. 28.94.010, K.C.C. 28.94.020, K.C.C. 28.94.070, K.C.C. 28.94.080, K.C.C. 28.94.100, K.C.C. 28.94.110, and K.C.C. 28.94.300, and adding new sections to K.C.C. 28.91, K.C.C. 28.92, and K.C.C. 28.94.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Ordinance 11033, Sections 2, 3 (part), 4, as amended, 5, as amended, 10, 11, 13, 14, and 17, Ordinance 11950, Section 9, and K.C.C. 28.91.020, K.C.C. 28.92.050, K.C.C. 28.92.080, K.C.C. 28.92.110, K.C.C. 28.92.150, K.C.C. 28.92.160, K.C.C. 28.94.010, K.C.C. 28.94.020, K.C.C. 28.94.070, K.C.C. 28.94.080, K.C.C. 28.94.100, K.C.C. 28.94.110, and K.C.C. 28.94.300 are hereby repealed.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 2. There is added to K.C.C. 28.91 a new section to read as follows:

Goals. It is the a mission of the department of transportation to provide the best possible public transportation services that improve the quality of life in King County.

The director shall, on at least an annual basis, report to the council on the performance of the public transportation services program, and shall propose goals and objectives for the following budget year.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 3. There is added to K.C.C. 28.92 a new section to read as follows:

Comprehensive Plan. Comprehensive plan shall mean the public transportation comprehensive plan adopted by Resolution No. 6641 of the council of the Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle and all amendments thereto.

1 NEW SECTION. SECTION 4. There is added to K.C.C. 28.92 a new section to
2 read as follows:

3 **Marginal cost per service hour.** Marginal cost per service hour, which may be
4 calculated separately for bus and transit van service, shall mean the direct operating cost of
5 providing an additional hour of each type of service, including operator wages and
6 benefits, customer service costs, fuel costs and vehicle maintenance costs.

7 NEW SECTION. SECTION 5. There is added to K.C.C. 28.92 a new section to
8 read as follows:

9 **Park & Ride Lots.** Park & ride lots shall mean locations at which persons park
10 their individual vehicles and transfer to county transit vehicles or car/vanpool vehicles,
11 including all physical improvements and landscaping.

12 NEW SECTION. SECTION 6. There is added to K.C.C. 28.92 a new section to
13 read as follows:

14 **Public Transportation Services.** Public transportation services shall include
15 transportation in buses, transit vans, dial-a-ride vehicles, vanpools, and paratransit
16 vehicles; and shall also include department services supporting transportation in carpools
17 and other alternatives to single occupant vehicles.

18 NEW SECTION. SECTION 7. There is added to K.C.C. 28.92 a new section to
19 read as follows:

20 **Transit Center(s).** Transit center(s) shall mean locations where transit vehicles
21 have a common terminus and facilities are provided to facilitate passenger boarding,
22 deboarding, and transfers between transit vehicles, including all physical improvements
23 and landscaping.

24 NEW SECTION. SECTION 8. There is added to K.C.C. 28.92 a new section to
25 read as follows:

26 **Transit Vehicle(s).** Transit vehicle(s) shall mean all transit passenger vehicles
27 including buses, transit vans, dial-a-ride vehicles, paratransit vans, trolleys, street railcars
28 and any other revenue service vehicles operated by or on behalf of the department, but not
29 including vanpool vans.

1 NEW SECTION. SECTION 9. There is added to K.C.C. 28.94 a new section to
 2 read as follows:

3 **Rates of fare for transit program.** A. The following fare categories and rates for
 4 regularly scheduled public transportation service on bus, trolley, transit van, dial-a-ride,
 5 and streetcar routes within the entire transit service area are hereby established:

Full Fares	One-Zone Off-Peak	One-Zone Peak	Two-Zone Off-Peak	Two-Zone Peak
Cash	\$.85	\$ 1.10	\$ 1.10	\$ 1.60
Monthly Pass	30.50	39.50	39.50	57.50
Three Month Pass	N/A	109.00	N/A	159.00
Annual Pass	336.00	435.00	435.00	633.00

Weekend/Holiday All- Day Pass				
Cash	1.70	N/A	1.70	N/A

Children's Fare	One-Zone Off-Peak	One-Zone Peak	Two-Zone Off-Peak	Two-Zone Peak
Up to four children under age five ride free per Section A.3	Free	Free	Free	Free

Youth Fare				
Cash	\$.75	\$.75	\$.75	\$.75

Family Fare				
Cash	.85	N/A	1.10	N/A

Senior Fares				
Cash	.25	.25	.25	.25
Monthly Pass	3.75	3.75	3.75	3.75
Annual Pass	45.00	45.00	45.00	45.00

Fares for Persons with Disabilities				
Cash	.25	.25	.25	.25
Monthly Pass	3.75	3.75	3.75	3.75
Annual Pass	45.00	45.00	45.00	45.00

Center Park				
Cash	.35	.35	.35	.35

13 Such fare categories and rates are subject to, and defined by, the following terms:

14 1. Monthly, three month and annual passes may be issued, sold, and consigned
 15 at the rates set forth in this section, entitling the holder thereof to an unlimited number of
 16 rides subject to the zone and time-of-day limitations applicable to the type of pass held.
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18 The one- and two-zone trip limitations are set forth in K.C.C. 28.94.030. The time-of-day

1 limitations for peak period trips and off-peak period trips are set forth in K.C.C. 28.92.115
2 and K.C.C. 28.92.100. Pass holders that have passes with a single-trip value less than the
3 proper fare shall pay the cash difference.

4 2. A weekend/holiday All-Day Pass may be issued and sold to be valid only on
5 Saturdays, Sundays or those legal holidays when reduced Sunday service holiday
6 schedules are in effect. Upon payment of the All-Day Pass fare set forth in this section,
7 persons five years of age or older may receive an All-Day Pass which shall entitle the user
8 to unlimited riding within the entire transit service area on regularly scheduled public
9 transportation service and which shall be valid only for the day on which said pass is
10 purchased.

11 3. When accompanied by a responsible person paying the proper fare as set forth
12 in this section, up to four children under five years of age shall be entitled to ride free.

13 4. A youth fare at the rate set forth in this section shall be available to persons
14 from five through seventeen years of age and persons over seventeen years of age who
15 attend regular sessions of junior or senior high school. The director is authorized to issue a
16 monthly youth pass at a rate equal to twenty-four times the youth fare, which pass shall
17 entitle the holder to unlimited riding within the entire transit service area on regularly
18 scheduled public transportation service.

19 5. A family fare on regularly scheduled public transportation service shall be
20 valid on Sundays and on those legal holidays when reduced Sunday service holiday
21 schedules are in effect. Upon payment of the proper fare as set forth in this section, any
22 person eighteen years of age or older may be accompanied by up to four persons seventeen
23 years of age or under without payment of any additional fare.

24 6. Persons at least sixty-five years of age who apply for and receive a regional
25 reduced fare permit shall be entitled to unlimited rides within the entire transit service area
26 on regularly scheduled public transportation service upon payment of the senior fares set
27 forth in this section.

28 7. Persons with disabilities who apply for and receive a regional reduced fare
29 permit shall be entitled to unlimited rides within the entire transit service area on regularly
30 scheduled public transportation service upon presentation of the permit and payment of the

1 fare set forth in this section for persons with disabilities. An attendant, when
 2 accompanying a fare-paying person with a disability who can ride transit only with the
 3 assistance of such an attendant all or some of the time and who has been issued an
 4 "Attendant Ride Free" permit pursuant to this chapter, shall be entitled to ride free.

5 8. In accordance with the motion adopted by the council of the Municipality of
 6 Metropolitan Seattle on June 3, 1993, the rate of fare for customized bus service to
 7 residents of Center Park, a facility of the Seattle Housing Authority located at 2121 - 26th
 8 Avenue South, Seattle, shall be increased from 35¢ to an amount equal to the full-fare, one-
 9 zone, off-peak cash transit fare upon the commencement of the Access Transportation
 10 Program.

11 B. The director is authorized to issue, sell, consign, and/or accept tickets, tokens,
 12 commodities or certificates at rates equal to the equivalent cash fare. In order to implement
 13 the consignment of such fare media as is authorized under this paragraph and paragraph A
 14 above, the executive is authorized to enter into retail consignment contracts to pay
 15 commissions to outlets which sell said fare media. Unless otherwise agreed to in a contract
 16 approved by the county council, the director is authorized to pay commissions at the rates
 17 set forth in the following schedule.

18 Category A Outlets: \$1.00 per pass sold
 19 .40 per ticketbook sold
 20 .10 per Reduced Fare Sticker sold

21 Category B Outlets: \$.50 per pass sold
 22 .50 per ticketbook sold
 23 .10 per Reduced Fare Sticker sold

24 Category C Outlets: \$.10 per Reduced Fare Sticker sold

25 Category A outlets are those outlets operated by a single entity which is able to:

- 26 1. Provide a minimum of 25 outlets, open over eight hours per day, seven days a
 27 week, with broad geographic coverage across the county, including the city of Seattle
 28 central business district;
- 29 2. Include transit promotions in its regular advertising;
- 30 3. Sell a minimum of 15,000 fare media items a month; and
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1 4. Provide substantial administrative cost savings to the department by
2 distributing fare media to multiple outlets and remitting sales revenue from multiple outlets
3 in a single payment.

4 Category B outlets are any non-Category A outlets located in the city of Seattle
5 central business district.

6 Category C outlets are any non-Category A outlets located outside the city of Seattle
7 central business district.

8 C. The director shall establish a system of transfers to permit a person paying the
9 proper fare to ride regularly scheduled service in any direction subject to the zone and
10 time-of-day limitations applicable to the transfer. The holder of a transfer of a lesser value
11 than the proper fare shall pay the cash difference. The time limit for transfers shall not
12 exceed two and one-half hours from time of issuance.

13 D. The executive is authorized to negotiate and enter into agreements with
14 employers, groups of employers, educational institutions, transportation management
15 associations and other organizations for the purpose of selling passes for distribution and
16 use by employees, students and/or others traveling to their facilities. At a minimum, such
17 agreements shall contain the following terms:

18 1. A description of the type of pass to be sold. Passes sold under such
19 agreements shall be flexpasses or monthly, three-month, or annual passes.

20 2. For flexpass agreements: a description of the services and benefits available
21 to the flexpass holder, of which there shall be at least two services or benefits provided by
22 the other party to the agreement that are in addition to the transit element, the designation
23 of a transportation coordinator and the distribution of alternative commuting information;
24 the number of passes to be issued and the cost thereof, the cost of issuing additional and
25 replacement passes during the term of the agreement, a schedule of payments and an
26 agreement term not to exceed three years. Unless otherwise agreed to by the county
27 council, the price terms for the transit element of a flexpass agreement shall be established
28 according to the following schedule of annual calculations. Further, the agreement shall
29 require reimbursement of the cost of additional services provided by the department and
30 shall include provisions for modification due to changes in fares and program fees.

1	First twelve months:	Trip Revenue x Baseline Trips
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3	Second twelve months:	(TR x Baseline Trips) +
4		[(TR x Added Trips) x 1/3]
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6	Third twelve months:	(TR x Baseline Trips) +
7		[(TR x Added Trips)x 2/3]
8		
9	Fourth twelve months	
10	and thereafter:	(TR x Baseline Trips) +
11		(TR x Added Trips)
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13 For purposes of this formula, the term, "Trip Revenue" or "TR," shall mean the
14 weighted average fare per trip determined by the department.

15 For purposes of this formula; the term, "Baseline Trips," shall mean the estimated
16 number of transit trips taken by the contracting party's covered population of students,
17 employees and/or others in the twelve months preceding execution of the flexpass
18 agreement. Baseline Trips may be adjusted on an annual basis to account for changes in
19 the number of eligible employees.

20 For purposes of this formula, the term, "Added Trips," shall mean those trips taken
21 during the prior twelve months, determined either from surveys or electronic counting of
22 actual flexpass use, which exceed the number of Baseline Trips established at the execution
23 of the flexpass agreement. Electronic counts of one month or more will be annualized and
24 used in lieu of survey results if available.

25 In the event a party terminates or does not renew a flexpass agreement, any
26 subsequent flexpass agreement entered into with that party shall be priced as if in the
27 "fourth twelve months and thereafter" category.

28 3. For annual pass agreements: the cost of the passes, the cost of issuing
29 additional and replacement passes during the term of the agreement, the level of subsidy
30 provided by the purchasing entity, a schedule of payments and an agreement term not to
31 exceed one year. To be eligible for annual pass agreements, the purchasing entity must
32 subsidize at least fifty percent of the cost of the passes and make the passes available to at
33 least two hundred fifty employees. The cost of annual passes under such agreements shall
34 consist of the regular one- and two-zone rates set forth in this chapter less deductions, if
35 any, based on the percentage difference between the department's "full time usage"
36 estimate and the estimated actual pass usage of the purchasing entity's employees. A

1 maximum deduction of fifty percent may be made from the regular one- and two-zone rates
2 under such agreements.

3 E. The director is authorized to issue and sell visitor passes entitling the holders
4 thereof to public transportation services as specified by the passes, provided such issuance
5 is not expected to require the addition of regularly scheduled service. The director shall
6 establish the rates of fare, the number of visitor passes and the extent of services available
7 under said passes based on the estimated average visitor usage and the administrative costs
8 of issuing the passes. Said passes may be valid for a period not to exceed seven
9 consecutive days. The director is further authorized to issue and sell said passes to travel,
10 convention and special event groups for quantities over one hundred at a rate that is not
11 less than seventy percent of the established visitor rate. Visitor pass privileges shall
12 commence and terminate on the date(s) for which the passes are valid.

13 F. The director is authorized to establish rates of fare for vanpools, provided that the
14 rates of fare are established at a level reasonably estimated to recover the operating and
15 capital costs of, and at least twenty-five percent of the cost of administering, the vanpool
16 program.

17 G. The director is authorized to establish rates of fare for limited service to special
18 or seasonal activities or events, provided such rates of fare and any contributions are
19 established at a level reasonably estimated to recover at least twenty-five percent of the
20 marginal cost for the service hours provided. In addition, the rates of fare for limited
21 service shall be established at a level at least equal to the rates of fare for equivalent
22 regularly scheduled service. If, however, the limited service is not equivalent to any regular
23 service, then the rates of fare shall be no less than one-half of the one-zone, off-peak full
24 fare set forth in this chapter. Such limited services shall be on an individual fare-paying
25 basis and be scheduled according to such routes, schedules and dates as are determined by
26 the director.

27 H. The director is authorized to establish rates of fare for customized bus service,
28 provided such rates of fare are established at a level reasonably estimated to recover at least
29 eighty percent of the marginal cost for the service hours provided. Such customized
30 services shall be on an individual fare-paying basis and be regularly scheduled according to

1 such routes, schedules and dates as are determined by the director. There shall be no zone
2 fares charged on customized bus service. Passes held by senior citizens, persons with
3 disabilities, and employees, and other special passes or permits may be honored on
4 customized bus service insofar as consistent with overall cost recovery requirements set
5 forth above. Transfers may be issued on customized bus service.

6 I. The following procedure and rate of fare shall be used for animals riding on
7 coaches. For small animals that do not occupy space other than the lap of the person
8 accompanying the animal and for assistive animals, there shall be no fare charged. For all
9 other animals, a fare equivalent to the fare paid by the individual accompanying the animal
10 shall be charged and a transfer issued upon request except that no zone fare shall be
11 charged. Animals riding on coaches shall be leashed or otherwise restrained and shall not
12 pose a problem of health, injury to property or persons, or disturbance to other passengers.

13 J. The executive is authorized to execute agreements with public school districts to
14 supply students with passes in connection with special school programs; provided, that
15 such agreements shall be subject to approval by the county council.

16 K. The executive is authorized to execute agreements with local, state and federal
17 governmental entities to provide tickets and/or passes to their employees or others
18 traveling to their facilities at rates other than those set forth in this chapter; provided, that
19 usage by such employees and others is not expected to require the addition of regularly
20 schedule public transportation services; provided further, that such agreements are not
21 estimated to reduce the revenue which would otherwise be received for such travel. Such
22 agreements shall be subject to approval by the county council to the extent such approval is
23 required by the county charter, ordinance and/or applicable state law.

24 L. Notwithstanding any other provision in this chapter, general authority
25 Washington peace officers employed by a general authority Washington law enforcement
26 agency with officers in King County may ride regularly scheduled public transportation
27 services without payment of fare provided such officers are in uniform or display their
28 police badge(s) to the transit operator.

1 M. The executive is authorized to execute agreements to provide ride free services
2 within geographic areas; provided, that such agreements shall be subject to approval by the
3 county council.

4 N. For the lease of a transit vehicle of the county for charter operation by others, the
5 minimum rental shall be the marginal cost per service hour of such vehicle's operation as
6 established from time to time by the director plus ten percent thereof.

7 O. The executive is authorized to execute agreements with other transit agencies to
8 establish a system of fare payment for passengers transferring between transportation
9 systems or crossing jurisdictional boundaries; provided, that such agreements shall be
10 subject to approval by the county council to the extent such approval is required by the
11 county charter, ordinance and/or applicable state law. Such agreements shall provide that
12 the county's share of the fare collected for an interjurisdictional trip shall be not less than
13 ninety percent of the revenue which would have been generated by application of the
14 appropriate cash fare or prorata pass price due under Section 9.A of this ordinance for the
15 county portion of the interjurisdictional trip.

16 P. For the purpose of attracting new ridership, relieving congestion, developing
17 market strategies, testing prices or experimental service, and implementing other special
18 transit programs or promotions, the director may waive or discount the fare or pass prices
19 otherwise established in this chapter whenever such waiver or discount is not expected to
20 require the addition of regularly scheduled public transportation services and, in the
21 judgment of the director, the value of the program or promotion and the benefit to the
22 public exceeds the expected loss of revenue. The loss in revenue of all such programs,
23 promotions and fare discounts shall, in the aggregate, be no greater than \$100,000
24 annually.

25 Q. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 9.B of this ordinance, the director is
26 authorized to establish a program for the sale and distribution of tickets to human service
27 agencies at twenty-five percent of their cash value for the purpose of meeting the
28 transportation needs of low income and homeless populations. The total amount of the
29 seventy-five percent discount provided under such program shall not exceed \$200,000 for
30 any one year. The allocation of discount tickets under such program shall be made by the

1 director in conjunction with local jurisdictions and the county's department(s) responsible
2 for human services programs. The local jurisdictions and said county department(s) shall
3 determine the number of tickets from their respective allocations which shall be sold to the
4 human service agencies eligible under such program. Tickets sold under such program are
5 valid on all public transportation and paratransit service.

6 R. The executive is authorized to issue employee bus passes to employees in the
7 Transit Division of the department, other employees whose responsibilities and functions
8 are dedicated exclusively to supporting the public transportation function, and persons
9 who, while holding such positions, retire from the county. All bus passes shall be
10 restricted to use by the eligible employee or retired employee and any unauthorized use
11 shall, at a minimum, result in forfeiture of the pass.

12 S. The director is authorized to enter into and administer arrangements with
13 directors of executive departments, chief officers of administrative offices, and
14 independently elected county officials to provide bus passes to county employees not
15 included within subsection S of this section. Such passes shall be restricted to use by the
16 eligible employee and any unauthorized use shall, at a minimum, result in forfeiture of the
17 pass. Such arrangements shall provide that the Public Transportation Operating Account
18 shall be reimbursed for such passes. The price for such passes shall be established by the
19 executive at an amount not less than the full flexpass price calculation for the "fourth
20 twelve months and thereafter" category set forth in Section 9.D.2 of this ordinance. The
21 actual reimbursement for such passes shall be determined by reducing the established price
22 in proportion to the percentage of time which the employees spend in support of the public
23 transportation function. This provision shall only be implemented to the extent funds are
24 appropriated by the county council.

25 T. The director shall submit annually to the council, by no later than the date on
26 which the executive transmits the executive proposed budget to the council, a report on all
27 the services and fares authorized by Section 9.D through Section 9.S of this ordinance.

28 NEW SECTION. SECTION 10. There is added to K.C.C. 28.94 a new section to
29 read as follows:

1 **Transit Routes and Classes of Service.** The director shall implement the system of
2 public transit routes and services described in this section.

3 A. Regular routes shall include numbered routes and descriptions therefor as
4 established and revised from time to time by the council. The regular routes, including
5 implementation dates, shall be described in a document called "Public Transit Regular
6 Routes." The director shall ensure that said routes shall be operated and implemented
7 except as otherwise provided in this section.

8 B. Changes to regular routes shall be subject to approval by the council except as
9 specifically provided in this section.

10 1. The director is authorized to approve and implement the following changes of
11 established routes and schedules and to update the "Public Transit Regular Routes"
12 document accordingly:

13 a. Any single change or cumulative changes in a service schedule which
14 affect the established weekly service hours for a route by twenty-five percent or less.

15 b. Any change in route location which does not move the location of any
16 route stop by more than one half mile.

17 c. Any changes in route numbers.

18 2. In addition, if, in the opinion of the director, an emergency exists which
19 requires any change to established routes, schedules or classes of service, the director may
20 implement such change for such period as may be necessary in the director's judgment or
21 until such time as the council shall establish otherwise. Such changes which the director
22 intends to be permanent shall be reported in writing to the chair of the council.

23 C. Other routes, such as but not limited to tripper service, limited, special,
24 customized and other types of transit routes, may be established by the director consistent
25 with annual appropriations and the comprehensive plan.

26 D. The director shall establish transit schedules for all routes and classes of service
27 consistent with annual appropriations and the comprehensive plan.

28 E. The director shall periodically review and evaluate the effectiveness of all public
29 transit routes and services, requests for changes to the routes and services, and the

1 requirements of the comprehensive plan and shall prepare recommendations to the council
2 for changes to routes and services.

3 F. Within service area boundaries approved by the council and consistent with
4 annual appropriations and the comprehensive plan, the director is authorized to plan,
5 implement and modify dial-a-ride service (DART), including, but not limited to,
6 establishing general routes from which vehicles may deviate in response to demand.

7 G. The director is authorized and directed to establish such guidelines and
8 procedures as may be necessary to implement the policies set forth in this chapter. In
9 establishing such guidelines and procedures, the director shall provide for consultation
10 with citizens and each component jurisdiction in advance of any major route or service
11 changes affecting such jurisdictions.

12 NEW SECTION. SECTION 11. There is added to K.C.C. 28.94 a new section to
13 read as follows:

14 **Mitigation of Adverse Impacts on Public Transportation.** A. To assist in
15 mitigating the adverse impacts of new or existing developments on public transportation
16 and to meet requirements on new or existing developments established by local
17 jurisdictions, the executive is authorized to enter into agreements with developers,
18 employers, property owners and local jurisdictions under which such parties would donate
19 property or cash to the department for public transportation purposes and/or compensate
20 the department for services, including but not limited to certifying and administering
21 carpool parking and monitoring private sector transportation management programs and
22 actions; provided, that such agreements shall be approved by the council as required by the
23 county charter, ordinance and/or applicable state law; and provided further, that such
24 donations and agreements must be approved by the local jurisdiction imposing such
25 requirements.

26 B. Each agreement shall include a termination for convenience provision and a term
27 of not greater than five years.

28 C. The provisions of this section shall not supersede the terms of the Commuter
29 Pool Transfer Agreement executed by the City of Seattle and Municipality of Metropolitan
30 Seattle on March 15, 1984.

1 D. The director shall submit annual reports to the council on the number and nature
2 of donations accepted and agreements entered into under this section.

3 NEW SECTION. SECTION 12. There is added to K.C.C. 28.94 a new section to
4 read as follows:

5 **Alternative Fuel Systems.** It is the policy of the county to consider alternative fuel
6 systems, including electric trolleys, clean diesel and natural gas, when procuring new buses
7 and trolleys for the transit fleet.

8 NEW SECTION. SECTION 13. There is added to K.C.C. 28.94 a new section to
9 read as follows:

10 **Public Restroom Policy for Public Transit Program.** A. The county will provide
11 public restrooms at transit centers that meet the following criteria.

12 1. The transit center has been designed and sited principally to facilitate
13 transfers between different routes.

14 2. The transit center is to be developed off-street on property that the county
15 either owns or controls through a long-term lease.

16 3. County service through the transit center makes significant use of "timed
17 meet" schedules.

18 4. The transit center has capacity for eight or more in-service coaches; layover
19 bays or terminal space do not count toward meeting this capacity requirement.

20 5. There is adequate space on the transit center platform to provide a restroom
21 facility without compromising operating requirements.

22 6. A daily platform population of 2,000 or more patrons is projected. This
23 includes transfer activity as well as trips originating or terminating at the center.

24 7. At least 25 buses per peak hour pass through the transit center.

25 8. Independent of any decision to provide a public restroom, the level of
26 operational activity at the transit center justifies the on-site assignment of a service
27 supervisor for all or a portion of the operating day.

28 B. If these criteria are met, the public restroom will be a uni-sex facility that will be
29 used both by county employees and by the general public. The restroom will only be
30 available to the public for those hours when a department representative is scheduled to be

1 on-site to manage the service. During those hours, public access to the facility will be
2 controlled by this representative.

3 C. If a local jurisdiction or adjacent property owners wish to expand hours of public
4 access to the restroom beyond those available through the department's normal staff
5 assignments, the local jurisdiction or property owner and the county may elect to enter into
6 an agreement to share the additional operating costs for expanded restroom hours;
7 provided, that such agreements shall be approved by the council as required by the King
8 County Charter, ordinance and/or applicable state law.

9 D. The department shall not provide public restrooms at any of the county's
10 customer facilities that do not meet the criteria above, including the Downtown Seattle
11 Tunnel.

12 E. The county will not staff its customer facilities simply to maintain or expand
13 hours of access to public restrooms.

14 NEW SECTION. SECTION 14. There is added to K.C.C. 28.94 a new section to
15 read as follows:

16 **Commuter Trip Reduction Program.** To assist local and state agencies in
17 implementing RCW 70.94.521 et seq., known as the Commuter Trip Reduction Law, the
18 director is authorized to develop and administer a commuter trip reduction ("CTR")
19 program to provide technical expertise in demand management strategies and
20 administrative services such as employer assistance, worksite identification and
21 notification, database development, program review and reporting, and ordinance
22 development to such agencies and/or employers. The executive is authorized to enter into
23 agreements with local and state agencies and/or employers in King County under which the
24 department would provide and the agencies and/or employers would pay for such technical
25 expertise and administrative services; provided, that the department shall recover its costs
26 to the maximum extent practicable under such agreements; and provided further, that such
27 agreements shall be approved by the county council to the extent such approval is required
28 by the King County Charter, ordinance and/or applicable state law.

29 NEW SECTION. SECTION 15. There is added to K.C.C. 28.94 a new section to
30 read as follows:

1 **Home Free Program.** In order to increase the attractiveness of public transportation
2 services and other alternatives to commuting in single occupancy vehicles (SOV), there is
3 hereby established a program under which the department, in return for a fee, may pay the
4 taxi fare for non-SOV commuters who experience emergencies or other unanticipated
5 events while at work or other designated locations and are unable to return home in their
6 usual commute mode. To the extent funds are appropriated by the council, the executive is
7 authorized to enter into agreements with businesses, agencies, institutions and other
8 organizations establishing the fee and other terms and conditions under which the
9 department would pay the taxi fares of eligible persons employed by or otherwise
10 associated with the organization. To the extent funds are appropriated by the council, the
11 executive is further authorized to enter into agreements with providers of taxi service
12 establishing the terms and conditions under which the department would pay the fares on
13 behalf of eligible persons participating in the program.

14 NEW SECTION. SECTION 16. There is added to K.C.C. 28.94 a new section to
15 read as follows:

16 **Transportation Voucher Program.** In order to increase the attractiveness of public
17 transportation services and other alternatives to commuting in single occupancy vehicles
18 (SOV), there is hereby established a program under which the department may sell
19 transportation vouchers to businesses, agencies, institutions and other organizations for
20 distribution to their employees or others. Said vouchers shall be sold at their full face
21 value and shall be redeemable in accordance with terms and conditions supportive of non-
22 SOV commuting as established by the director. To the extent funds are appropriated by
23 the council, the executive is authorized to enter into such agreements with banks, printers,
24 employers, vendors and others as necessary to implement the transportation voucher
25 program.

26 SECTION 17. Effective date. This ordinance shall take effect on January 1, 1996.

27 SECTION 18. Severability. The provisions of this ordinance shall be effective in
28 all cases unless otherwise provided by state or federal law. The provisions of this
29 ordinance are separate and severable. The invalidity of any clause, sentence, paragraph,
30 subdivision, section or other portion of this ordinance or the invalidity of the application

1 thereof to any person or circumstance shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this
2 ordinance or the validity of the application to other persons or circumstances.

3 SECTION 19. Continuation of ordinances. The provisions of this ordinance, so
4 far as they are substantially the same as those of ordinances existing at the time of the
5 enactment of this ordinance, shall be construed as continuations thereof.

6 INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 11th day of

7 September, 1995

8 PASSED by a vote of 12 to 0 this 18th day of September,
9 1995.

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KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Kent Pullen
Chair

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ATTEST:

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Anne Masuo
Deputy Clerk of the Council

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APPROVED this 28th day of September, 1995

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Ray Loh
King County Executive