

CHRISTOPHER VANCE

May 7, 1996

Introduced By: Kent Pullen
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ORDINANCE NO. **12301**

AN ORDINANCE proposing to amend the King County Charter to create the elective office of county sheriff; amending Articles 3 and 6 of the charter by adding new sections 350.20.40 and 645 and by amending Section 630, and submitting the same to the voters of the county for their ratification or rejection at the November 1996 general election.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. There shall be submitted to the qualified voters of King County for their approval and ratification or rejection, at the next general election to be held in this county occurring more than 45 days after the enactment of this ordinance, an amendment to Article 3, Section 350.20 of the King County Charter, adding a new section, an amendment to Article 6, Section 630, and an amendment to Article 6, adding a new section, to read as follows:

NEW SECTION. Section 350.20.40. Department of Public Safety.

The department of public safety shall be administered by the county sheriff who shall perform the duties specified by general law. The county sheriff shall be elected by the voters of the county, and his or her term of office shall be four years. The department of public safety shall be an executive department subject to the civil service personnel system and shall utilize the services of the administrative

1 offices and the executive departments, but it shall not be
2 abolished or combined with any other executive department or
3 administrative office and shall not have its duties decreased
4 by the county council.

5 Section 630. Qualifications.

6 Each county officer holding an elective office shall be,
7 at the time of his appointment or election and at all times
8 while he holds office, at least twenty-one years of age, a
9 citizen of the United States and a resident and registered
10 voter of King County; and each councilman shall be a resident
11 of the district which he represents. Any change in the
12 boundaries of a councilman's district which shall cause him
13 to be no longer a resident of the district which he
14 represents shall not disqualify him from holding office
15 during the remainder of the term for which he was elected or
16 appointed. Additional qualifications of the office of
17 sheriff may be established by ordinance.

18 NEW SECTION. Section 645. Sheriff: Election. Term of
19 Office and Compensation.

20 The county sheriff shall be nominated and elected as a
21 non-partisan office by the voters of the county, and the term
22 of office shall be four years and until his or her successor
23 is elected and qualified. The initial election for county
24 sheriff shall be at the general election in 1997. The county
25 sheriff shall receive compensation as provided by ordinance.

26 SECTION 2. The manager of the division of records and
27 elections shall cause notice of the proposed amendment of the
28 King County Charter to be published in accordance with the
29 State Constitution and general law and placed on the ballot

1 at the November 5, 1996 election, which is the next general
2 election occurring more than 45 days after enactment of this
3 ordinance.

4 INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 30th
5 day of October, 1995.

6 PASSED by a vote of 7 to 5 this 28th day of
7 May, 1996.

8 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
9 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

10 Jane Hayes
11 Chair

12 ATTEST:

13 Gerald A. Peterson
14 Clerk of the Council

15 APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 19____.

16 DEEMED ENACTED WITHOUT
17 COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S SIGNATURE
DATED: June 4, 1996
King County Executive

18 Attachments: None