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ORDINANCE NO. **13498**

AN ORDINANCE relating to the reorganization of the department of community and human services; combining the mental health division and alcohol and substance abuse treatment services division into a new mental health, chemical abuse and dependency services division; and amending Ordinance 11955, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.16.130.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Ordinance 11955, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.16.130 are hereby each amended to read as follows:

Department of community and human services. A. The department of community and human services is responsible to manage and be fiscally accountable for the community services division, mental health, chemical abuse and dependency services division, (~~alcohol and substance abuse treatment division,~~) public defense division, developmental disabilities division and the children and family commission.

B. Community services division. the duties of the division shall include the following:

1. Work in partnership with communities and other funders to develop, support and provide human services which emphasize prevention, early intervention, and community education, and which strengthen individuals, families and communities in King County;

1 2. Manage programs which increase family self-sufficiency, enhance youth
2 resiliency, reduce community violence and strengthen communities. The division shall
3 also manage programs which address housing and community development needs, and
4 help implement improvements identified in subarea and neighborhood plans for low and
5 moderate income communities and population. Such programs are to include, but not be
6 limited to, providing employment and training for youth and adults and providing
7 assistance to indigent veterans and their families as authorized by chapters 41.02 and 73.08
8 RCW. This division shall administer the county's federal housing and community
9 development funds and other housing and community development programs; and

10 3. Develop housing and community development policies and programs to
11 implement the growth management policies throughout King County to provide affordable
12 housing to low and moderate income residents.

13 C. Mental health, chemical abuse and dependency services division. The duties of
14 the division shall include the following:

15 1. Manage and operate a system of mental health services for acutely disturbed,
16 seriously disturbed and chronically mentally ill children and adults;

17 2. Manage and operate a twenty-four-hour crisis response system, including civil
18 commitment as a last resort;

19 3. Provide treatment and rehabilitation service for alcoholism and for other drug
20 addictions under federal and state laws and King County ordinances;

21 4. Select appropriate agencies for the provision of mental health services and
22 develop, implement and monitor the provision and outcomes of contracted services; ((and

1 4.)) 5. Be responsible for resource management of a comprehensive mental health
2 system including provision of staff support to appropriate advisory boards, and serve as
3 liaison to federal, state, and other governments and relevant organizations in carrying out
4 planning and allocation processes;

5 6. Ensure the continuing availability of appropriate treatment services for eligible
6 individuals with a single diagnosis of a mental illness or a substance use or dependency
7 disorder; and

8 7. Develop and maintain a continuum of appropriate treatment services for eligible
9 individuals with dual diagnoses of both a mental illness and a substance use or
10 dependency disorder.

11 ~~D. ((Alcohol and substance abuse treatment services division. This division shall~~
12 ~~provide treatment and rehabilitation service for alcoholism and for other drug addictions~~
13 ~~under federal and state laws and King County ordinances.~~

14 ~~Provided that: The executive shall submit to the council no later than March 31, 1999~~
15 ~~a proposal for integrating some or all of the alcohol and substance abuse treatment division~~
16 ~~with the mental health division.~~

17 ~~E.))~~ Public defense division. The duties of the division shall include those duties
18 specified in K.C.C. chapter 2.60.

19 ~~((F.))~~ E. Developmental disabilities division. The duties of this division shall include
20 the following:

21 1. Manage and operate a system of services for persons with developmental
22 disabilities in accordance with relevant state statutes and county policies and to provide
23 staff support to the King County board for developmental disabilities; and

1 2. Negotiate, implement and monitor contracts with community agencies for the
2 provision of developmental disabilities services.

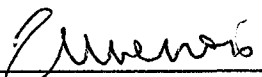
3 INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 3rd day of May, 1999.

4 PASSED by a vote of 11 to 0 on this 10 th day of May, 1999.

5 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
6 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

7 
8 Chair

9 ATTEST:

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11 Clerk of the Council

12 APPROVED this 18 day of May, 1999

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14 King County Executive

15 Attachments: None