



**KING COUNTY**

1200 King County Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

**Signature Report**

**October 8, 2002**

**Ordinance 14496**

**Proposed No.** 2002-0346.1

**Sponsors** Phillips

1 AN ORDINANCE changing the rate of the excise tax on  
2 switched access lines and radio access lines in King County  
3 for the continued operations of an enhanced 911 emergency  
4 telephone system; and amending Ordinance 6875, Section 1,  
5 as amended, and K.C.C. 4.34.010, Ordinance 6875, Section  
6 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.34.020, Ordinance 6875,  
7 Section 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.34.040 and Ordinance  
8 11589, Section 6, and K.C.C. 4.34.065.

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

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SECTION 1. Ordinance 6875, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.34.010 are

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each hereby amended to read as follows:

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**Tax levied.**

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A. There is hereby levied an excess tax on the use of all taxable switched access

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lines in King County, as authorized by ((Laws of 1991, ch. 54, sec. 11, and)) RCW

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82.14B.030.

18 B. There is hereby levied an excise tax on the use of each radio access line~~((, for~~  
19 ~~which the address of the end user))~~ whose place of primary use as set forth in the records  
20 of the radio communications service company providing such radio access lines is located  
21 ~~((in))~~ within King County, as authorized by ((Laws of 1991, ch. 54, sec. 11, and)) RCW  
22 82.14B.030.

23 SECTION 2. Ordinance 6875, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C.4.34.020 are  
24 each hereby amended to read as follows:

25 **Rate.**

26 A. The rate of tax imposed by K.C.C. 4.34.010A shall be ~~((thirty five))~~ fifty cents  
27 per month per switched access line.

28 B. The rate of tax imposed by K.C.C. 4.34.010B shall be ~~((twenty five))~~ fifty  
29 cents per month per radio access line.

30 SECTION 3. Ordinance 6875, Section 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.34.040 are  
31 each hereby amended to read as follows:

32 **Tax collection.** The executive shall administer and collect the tax consistent with  
33 procedures approved in Ordinance 6507. The tax imposed by this chapter shall be  
34 collected from the end user by the telephone company providing the access line and by  
35 the radio communications service company providing the radio access line, and the due  
36 date for remittance of the tax collected shall be ~~((thirty days following the collection~~  
37 ~~month))~~ on or before the last day of the month following the month in which the tax  
38 liability accrues. Telephone companies collecting the tax shall be reimbursed for the  
39 actual costs of administration and collection of the tax. If a telephone company or radio  
40 communications service company retains funds for tax administration and collection, on

41 each tax remittance statement, the company shall include a sworn statement from its chief  
42 financial officer, or other authorized person, on behalf of itself and its subsidiaries, that  
43 the funds retained for tax administration and collection comply with this chapter and  
44 chapter 82.14B RCW.

45 SECTION 4. Ordinance 11589, Section 6, and K.C.C. 4.34.065 are each hereby  
46 amended to read as follows:

47 **Effective date.**

48 A. The excise tax on the use of switched access lines in an amount not exceeding  
49 fifty cents per month for each switched access line for the purpose of funding an  
50 enhanced telephone system shall be effective from and after January 1, 1992.

51 B. The excise tax on the use of radio access lines in an amount not exceeding  
52 ~~((twenty-five))~~ fifty cents per month for each radio access line for the purpose of funding  
53 an enhanced 911 telephone system shall be effective from and after ~~((seventy days after~~  
54 ~~the effective date of Ordinance 11589 (March 12, 1995)))~~ January 1, 2003.

55 SECTION 5. This ordinance takes effect January 1, 2003.

56 SECTION 6. If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or

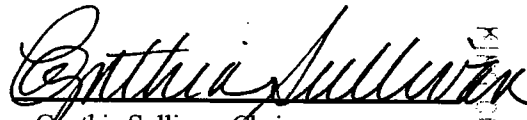
57 circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance or the application of the  
58 provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

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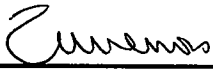
Ordinance 14496 was introduced on 8/26/2002 and passed by the Metropolitan King  
County Council on 10/7/2002, by the following vote:

Yes: 12 - Ms. Sullivan, Ms. Edmonds, Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Lambert, Mr.  
Phillips, Mr. McKenna, Mr. Constantine, Mr. Pullen, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Hague,  
Mr. Irons and Ms. Patterson  
No: 0  
Excused: 1 - Mr. Pelz

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
Cynthia Sullivan, Chair

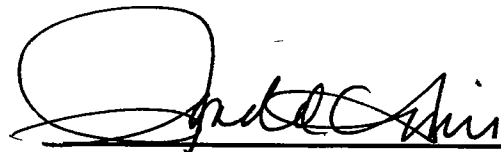
ATTEST:

  
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Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

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APPROVED this 17 day of OCTOBER, 2002.

  
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Ron Sims, County Executive

Attachments None