



KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

November 26, 2002

Ordinance 14526

Proposed No. 2002-0515.3

Sponsors Hague

1 AN ORDINANCE relating to service and permit fees
2 assessed by the department of development and
3 environmental services; providing for a temporary fee
4 increase; setting a deadline for executive transmittal of any
5 recommendations from an audit and task force review of
6 the department of development and environmental services;
7 limiting allocation of revenues to the departments reserve
8 funds; directing the executive to review alternative long-
9 term funding options for the code enforcement program;
10 and amending Ordinance 13996, Section 12, and K.C.C.
11 27.02.066 and Ordinance 13263, Section 33, and K.C.C.
12 23.24.140.

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15 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

16 SECTION 1. Ordinance 13996, Section 12, and K.C.C. 27.02.066 are each
17 hereby amended to read as follows:

18 **Fee increases-- fees authorized by Ordinance 13332.** All fees authorized by
19 Ordinance 13332, as amended, shall increase ~~((ten))~~ fifteen percent.

20 SECTION 2. Effective date. Section 1 of this ordinance shall be effective from
21 January 1, 2003 through June 30, 2003.

22 SECTION 3. DDES executive audit and task force review. The executive shall
23 complete the executive audit and task force review of the department of development and
24 environmental services and transmit recommendations from the audit and task force
25 review by May 1, 2003, for council review and adoption.

26 SECTION 4. Ordinance 13263, Section 33, and K.C.C. 23.24.140 are each
27 hereby amended to read as follows:

28 **Code compliance and abatement fund -- authorized.** All ~~((monies))~~ moneys
29 collected from the assessment of civil penalties, from the recovery of the costs of
30 pursuing code compliance and abatement, and ~~((for))~~ from the recovery of abatement
31 costs~~((and work))~~, both retroactively and prospectively, except those ~~((monies))~~ moneys
32 designated for the Sensitive Areas Mitigation Fund as set forth in K.C.C. chapter~~((s 21.54~~
33 ~~and))~~ 21A.24, shall be allocated to support expenditures for abatement and code
34 enforcement administrative costs, including, but not limited to, personnel costs, and shall
35 be accounted for through either creation of a fund or other appropriate accounting
36 mechanism in the department issuing the notice and order under which the abatement
37 occurred.

38 SECTION 5. Effective date and limits on withdrawal. Section 4 of this
39 ordinance shall be effective from January 1, 2003, through December 31, 2003.
40 Withdrawals from the moneys collected under K.C.C. 23.24.140, for the purpose of

41 funding administrative costs within the code enforcement section of the department of
42 development and environmental services, shall not exceed one hundred fifty thousand
43 dollars.

44 SECTION 6. Limits on reserve account allocations. The department shall not
45 allocate moneys to any reserve account until such time the council adopts
46 recommendations that result from the executive internal audit and task force review of
47 department of development and environmental services fees.

48 SECTION 7. Long-term funding of code enforcement function. The
49 department shall, in consultation with the King County prosecuting attorney's office,
50 review current county funds and all pertinent statutes and case law regarding the use of
51 revenues generated from permit fees or from permit fee surcharges, for the purpose of
52 identifying options for the long-term funding of the county's code enforcement program.

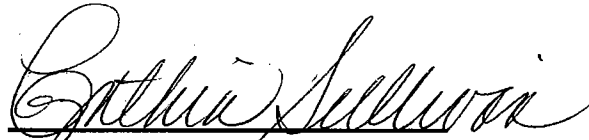
53 The department shall submit to the council a report of the findings of that review as part
54 of the transmittal of the executive-proposed 2004 budget.

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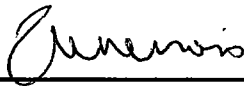
Ordinance 14526 was introduced on 10/21/2002 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 11/25/2002, by the following vote:

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

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Cynthia Sullivan, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2002.

DEEMED ENACTED WITHOUT
COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S SIGNATURE

DATED: December 6, 2002

Ron Sims, County Executive

Attachments None

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