



KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

September 19, 2005

Ordinance 15282

Proposed No. 2005-0367.1

Sponsors Hague and Edmonds

1 AN ORDINANCE establishing an accessible taxi advisory
2 committee.

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5 PREAMBLE:

6 1. On August 29, 2005, the metropolitan King County council adopted an
7 ordinance establishing licensing and standards of operations for the
8 wheelchair accessible taxicab pilot demonstration project.

9 2. The council also adopted a motion approving a project report for the
10 accessible taxicab demonstration project.

11 3. During the council's consideration of the wheelchair accessible taxicab
12 demonstration project, the labor, operations and technology committee
13 received input from the public, including a request for careful evaluation
14 of the demonstration project

15 4. The council now desires to establish a panel in the form of a citizen's
16 advisory committee with the goal of careful monitoring and candid

17 feedback regarding the operation and evaluation of the wheelchair
18 accessible taxicab demonstration project.

19 5. It is the intent of the council for this group to be convened for a limited
20 time related to the duration of the demonstration project in order to
21 consider this specific topic.

22 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

23 SECTION 1. Establishment. The King County accessible taxi advisory
24 committee is hereby established.

25 SECTION 2. Membership – appointments, requirements and restrictions.

26 A. The committee shall consist of nine members recruited in consultation with
27 the council and appointed by the executive subject to confirmation by the council.

28 B. Membership of this committee should reflect the diversity and geographic
29 distribution of county residents.

30 C. As many as two of committee members may be caregivers or advocates for
31 potential users of this service with the balance of the membership consisting of people
32 who use wheelchairs or other mobility aids and are potential accessible taxi users.

33 D. Seven of the members shall be appointed before start-up of the accessible taxi
34 service and the remaining two membership positions shall be filled after start-up by
35 accessible taxi users having experience with the service.

36 E. All nominees should have:

37 1. Substantial and broad knowledge of wheelchair accessible transportation
38 services and the needs associated with such service; and

39 2. A willingness to commit the time necessary to attend advisory committee
40 meetings and activities.

41 F. Terms of committee membership shall be for the duration of the demonstration
42 project.

43 SECTION 3. Mission and goals. The mission of the advisory committee is to
44 help ensure that the demonstration project is implemented in a way that is likely to
45 accurately gauge the demand for, and viability of, accessible taxi service in the
46 Seattle/King County market. The goals of the committee shall be to monitor the
47 preparation for, and implementation of, the demonstration project to the extent necessary
48 to be able to advise the executive agencies charged with conducting the project and to
49 make long-term recommendations for accessible taxi service.

50 SECTION 4. Responsibilities. To accomplish its missions and goals, the
51 advisory committee shall complete the following tasks:

52 A. Monitor the demonstration project throughout its duration to determine if
53 improvements or adjustments should be made to ensure the successful operation and
54 management of the project and to ensure that problem areas are identified and discussed;

55 B. Review the established performance measures for the demonstration project
56 and suggest ways to improve or expand the measures in a way that would benefit the
57 overall evaluation of the project; and

58 C. Submit to the executive and council a report which includes an evaluation of
59 the demonstration project and recommendations on future accessible taxi service. The
60 report should be filed with the clerk for distribution to council members within 60 days of
61 the completion of the demonstration project

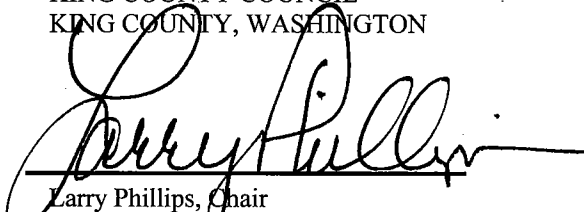
62 SECTION 5. Expiration. The committee expires following submittal of its final
63 report and recommendations.

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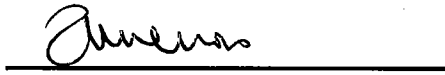
Ordinance 15282 was introduced on 8/29/2005 and passed by the Metropolitan King
County Council on 9/19/2005, by the following vote:

Yes: 13 - Mr. Phillips, Ms. Edmonds, Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Lambert, Mr.
Pelz, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Hammond, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Hague, Mr.
Irons, Ms. Patterson and Mr. Constantine
No: 0
Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Larry Phillips, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 29 day of September 2005.


Ron Sims, County Executive

Attachments None

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