



Signature Report

November 13, 2007

Ordinance 15959

Proposed No. 2007-0553.2

Sponsors Ferguson

1 AN ORDINANCE relating to public transportation;  
 2 revising rates of fare; and amending Ordinance 14481,  
 3 Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 28.94.015, and  
 4 amending Ordinance 14096, Section 5, as amended, and  
 5 K.C.C. 28.94.245.

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7 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

8 SECTION 1. A. Section 2 of this ordinance proposes changes in the fares  
 9 currently charged for county public transportation services.

10 B. These fees are assessed under K.C.C. 2.99.030.

11 SECTION 2. Ordinance 14481, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 28.94.015 are  
 12 each hereby amended to read as follows:

13 A. Except as may otherwise be provided by ordinance, the following fare  
 14 categories and rates are established for regularly scheduled county public transportation  
 15 service on buses, trolleys, transit vans, dial-a-ride vehicles and streetcars:

	Off-peak	One-zone Peak	Two-zone Peak
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Regular fare	<del>(\$1.25)</del> <u>\$1.50</u>	<del>(\$1.50)</del> <u>\$1.75</u>	<del>(\$2.00)</del> <u>\$2.25</u>
Child fare	No charge	No charge	No charge
Youth fare	<del>(\$0.50)</del> <u>\$0.75</u>	<del>(\$0.50)</del> <u>\$0.75</u>	<del>(\$0.50)</del> <u>\$0.75</u>
Family fare	<del>(\$1.25)</del> <u>\$1.50</u>	N/A	N/A
Seniors and persons with disabilities fare	<del>(\$0.25)</del> <u>\$0.50</u>	<u>\$0.50</u>	<u>\$0.50</u>

16 The fare categories and rates are subject to, and defined by, the following:

- 17 1. The descriptions of transit zones are set forth in K.C.C. 28.94.030;
- 18 2. The time-of-day limitations for peak period trips and off-peak period trips are  
19 set forth in K.C.C. 28.92.115 and 28.92.100;
- 20 3. The child fare is available to persons up to six years old when accompanied by  
21 a responsible person paying the proper fare as set forth in this chapter. Up to four children  
22 may ride with each responsible person;
- 23 4. The youth fare is available to persons from six through seventeen years old and  
24 persons over seventeen years old who attend regular sessions of junior or senior high  
25 school;
- 26 5. The family fare is available to a group that includes a person at least eighteen  
27 years old and up to four persons seventeen years old or younger. The family fare is valid  
28 on Sundays and the days on which the following holidays are legally observed: New  
29 Year's Day; Martin Luther King, Jr., Day; Presidents' Day; Memorial Day; Independence  
30 Day; Labor Day; Thanksgiving Day; and Christmas Day;

31           6. The senior and persons with disabilities fare is available to persons who apply  
32 for and receive a regional reduced fare permit. The permits are available to persons at least  
33 sixty-five years old and persons with disabilities as provided in the regional reduced fare  
34 permit program authorized under K.C.C. 28.94.255; and

35           7. A person with a disability who has been issued an “attendant ride free” permit  
36 by the department may be accompanied by an attendant, who is not required to pay a fare.

37           B. A fare in subsection A of this section is paid when a person pays the appropriate  
38 amount in cash or presents an appropriate pass, transfer or other fare payment media  
39 established under, and used in accordance with, this chapter.

40           C. The following passes are established for use on regularly scheduled county  
41 public transportation service on buses, trolleys, transit vans, dial-a-ride vehicles and  
42 streetcars:

43           1. Weekend/holiday all-day pass – (~~(\$2.50)~~) \$3.50.

44           A weekend/holiday all-day pass may be issued and sold at the price indicated to  
45 persons at least six years old. A weekend/holiday all-day pass may be purchased only on  
46 Saturdays, Sundays and the days on which the following holidays are legally observed:

47 New Year's Day; Martin Luther King, Jr., Day; Presidents' Day; Memorial Day;

48 Independence Day; Labor Day; Thanksgiving Day; and Christmas Day. A

49 weekend/holiday all-day pass entitles persons at least six years old to unlimited rides  
50 during the day indicated on the pass;

51           2. Weekday all-day pass – (~~(\$5.00)~~) \$5.50.

52           A weekday all-day pass may be issued and sold at the price indicated to persons at  
53 least six years old. A weekday all-day pass may be purchased only on weekdays. An all-

54 day pass entitles persons at least six years old to unlimited rides during the day indicated on  
55 the pass;

56 3. Monthly pass for seniors and persons with disabilities – (~~(\$5.50)~~) \$9.00.

57 Monthly passes may be issued and sold at the price indicated to persons who have  
58 applied for and received a regional reduced fare permit. The permits are available to  
59 persons at least sixty-five years old and persons with disabilities as provided in the regional  
60 reduced fare permit program authorized under K.C.C. 28.94.255. The monthly pass  
61 entitles the purchaser to unlimited rides during the month indicated on the pass;

62 4. Annual pass for seniors and persons with disabilities – (~~(\$66.00)~~) \$99.00.

63 Annual passes may be issued and sold at the price indicated to persons who have  
64 applied for and received a regional reduced fare permit. The permits are available to  
65 persons sixty-five years of age and older and persons with disabilities as provided in the  
66 regional reduced fare permit program authorized under K.C.C. 28.94.255. The annual pass  
67 entitles the purchaser to unlimited rides during the year indicated on the pass; and

68 5. Regional passes.

69 Regional passes, in various single-trip value denominations and for various  
70 effective periods, may be issued and sold in accordance with the terms of an agreement  
71 approved by the county council and entered into with other public transportation providers  
72 in the region. The various effective periods, single-trip values and prices for the regional  
73 passes shall be established by the agreement. A valid regional pass may be presented an  
74 unlimited number of times during its effective period as full or partial payment of the  
75 applicable fare. To the extent the single trip value of the regional pass is not sufficient to  
76 cover the applicable fare, the rider shall pay the difference in cash.

77 D. The rate of fare for paratransit service shall be 75 cents per trip and ((~~\$13.50~~)  
78 \$18.00 for a monthly pass.

79 E. The rate of fare for customized bus service to residents of Center Park, a facility  
80 of the Seattle Housing Authority located at 2121 - 26th Avenue South, Seattle, is equal to  
81 the paratransit fares specified in subsection D. of this section.

82 SECTION 3. Ordinance 14096, Section 5, as amended, and K.C.C. 28.94.245 are  
83 each hereby amended to read as follows:

84 The director is authorized to establish a program for the sale and distribution of  
85 tickets to human service agencies at twenty percent of their cash value for the purpose of  
86 meeting the transportation needs of low income and homeless populations. The total  
87 amount of the eighty percent discount provided under the program shall not exceed one  
88 million three hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars for any one year. The allocation of  
89 discount tickets under the program shall be made by the director in conjunction with local  
90 jurisdictions and the county's department or departments responsible for human services  
91 programs. The local jurisdictions and the county department or departments shall determine  
92 the number of tickets from their respective allocations which shall be sold to the human  
93 service agencies eligible under the program. Tickets sold under the program are valid on all

94 public transportation and paratransit service.

95 SECTION 4. Section 2 of this ordinance takes effect March 1, 2008.

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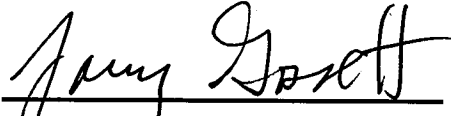
Ordinance 15959 was introduced on 10/22/2007 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 11/13/2007, by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Mr. Gossett, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Hague and Mr. Constantine

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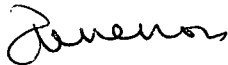
Excused: 1 - Ms. Patterson

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Larry Gossett, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 26 day of November, 2007.



Ron Sims, County Executive

Attachments None

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