



KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

December 7, 2010

Ordinance 16990

Proposed No. 2010-0614.2

**Sponsors McDermott, Phillips, Ferguson,
Gossett and Hague**

1 AN ORDINANCE making supplemental appropriations of
2 \$14,400,000 to the open space non-bond capital fund and a
3 \$19,100,000 appropriation to the conservation futures
4 capital fund; and amending the 2010 Budget Ordinance,
5 Ordinance 16717, Sections 120 and 122, as amended, and
6 Attachments B and D, as amended; and declaring an
7 emergency.

8 **PREAMBLE:**

9 In March 2010, the Washington state Legislature appropriated
10 \$15,000,000 solely for the Washington state Department of Ecology to
11 assist King County in the acquisition and remediation of property on
12 Vashon and Maury Islands.

13 The Maury Island shoreline initiative project protects critical shoreline
14 along Maury Island in Puget Sound. The project seeks to acquire a two-
15 hundred-fifty-acre site that has significant ecological value vital to the
16 Puget Sound ecosystem and recovery of species listed under the federal
17 Endangered Species Act.

18 More than seventy percent of Puget Sound's coastal wetlands and estuaries
19 have been lost to development and other shoreline modifications.

20 Permanent conservation of the site will protect this valuable nearshore
21 habitat. The site also includes one mile of Puget Sound shoreline adjacent
22 to the Maury Island aquatic reserve.

23 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

24 SECTION 1. Findings: King County has negotiated the purchase of
25 approximately two hundred fifty acres of land on Maury Island owned by Northwest
26 Aggregates Co., an Oregon corporation ("NWA"). The property ("the NWA property")
27 has been developed as a sand and gravel mine, including a conveyor system and dock for
28 loading gravel onto barges.

29 The appraised value of the NWA property is \$37.9 to \$39.1 million. NWA has
30 stated that the opportunity to purchase the property at the price of \$36 million is only
31 available this year. NWA has also indicated that if the county does not purchase the
32 property, NWA will resume its actions to complete the construction of the barge loading
33 dock facility and reactivate the mine, with the intent of fully developing all one hundred
34 fifty to one hundred ninety acres of minable area. The purchase of this property will
35 bring into public ownership almost a mile of relatively undisturbed marine shoreline, as
36 well as approximately two hundred acres of undeveloped open space. It also brings into
37 public ownership approximately forty million tons of aggregate. If this sales transaction
38 does not close by the end of 2010, it will result in the county's failure to preserve for the
39 public's interest one of the last large waterfront pieces of property on Vashon-Maury
40 Island. Emergency enactment of this ordinance is necessary to preserve the public peace,
41 health, and safety associated with the existing marine shoreline and undeveloped open
42 space.

43 SECTION 2. Ordinance 16717, Section 120, as amended, is hereby amended by
44 adding thereto and inserting therein the following:

45 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM - From the conservation futures capital
46 fund an appropriation involving the specific project identified in Attachment A to this
47 ordinance.

48	Fund	Fund Name	Amount
49	3151	CONSERVATION FUTURES SUBFUND	\$19,100,000

50 SECTION 3. Attachment A to this ordinance hereby amends Attachment B to
51 Ordinance 16717, as amended, by adding thereto and inserting therein the projects listed
52 in Attachment A to this ordinance.

53 SECTION 4. Ordinance 16717, Section 122, as amended, is hereby amended by
54 adding thereto and inserting therein the following:

55 SURFACE WATER CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM - From the open
56 space non-bond capital fund an appropriation involving the specific project identified in
57 Attachment B to this ordinance.

58	Fund	Fund Name	Amount
59	3522	OS KC NON BND FND SUBFUND	\$14,400,000

60 SECTION 5. Attachment B to this ordinance hereby amends Attachment D to
61 Ordinance 16717, as amended, by adding thereto and inserting therein the projects listed
62 in Attachment B to this ordinance.

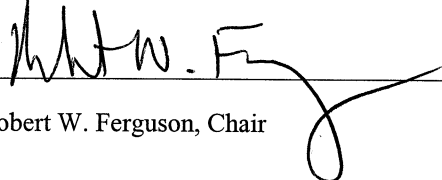
63 SECTION 6. The county council finds as a fact and declares that an emergency
64 exists and that this ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace,

65 health or safety or for the support of county government and its existing public
66 institutions.
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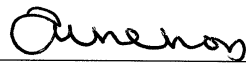
Ordinance 16990 was introduced on 12/6/2010 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 12/6/2010, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Mr. Phillips, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Hague,
Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Dunn and Mr.
McDermott
No: 0
Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Robert W. Ferguson, Chair

ATTEST:


Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

Attachments: A. General Government Capital Improvement Program, B. Surface Water Management Capital Improvement Program

Attachment A: General Government Capital Improvement Program

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2010 - 2015</u>
3151/Conservation Futures Tax							
315231 Maury Gravel Mine Acquisition	19,100,000						\$19,100,000
Total Fund 3522	19,100,000						19,100,000

Total Attachment A: General
Government 19,100,000

Attachment B: Surface Water Mangement Capital Improvement Program

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2010 - 2015</u>
3522/Open Space Non-Bond Fund							
352V03 Maury Gravel Mine Acquisition	14,400,000						\$14,400,000
Total Fund 3522	14,400,000						14,400,000

**Total Attachment B: Surface Water
Management 14,400,000**