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Introduced by: Ron Sims

Proposed No.: 88-171

ORDINANCE NO. 8450

AN ORDINANCE creating a Taxicab Commission.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Establishment and Purpose. There shall be established a Taxicab Commission, hereinafter referred to as the "commission," in King County for the purpose of recommending taxicab rates, entry restrictions if any, and other related revisions to the King County Code and Seattle Municipal Code to the King County council and the Seattle City Council, provided that the Seattle City Council adopts legislation authorizing city participation in the commission.

SECTION 2. Membership. There shall be nine members of the commission, three of which shall be appointed by the King County executive, and confirmed by the King County council, three of which shall be appointed by the City of Seattle, the seventh member shall be appointed by the Port of Seattle, the eighth member selected by the seven appointed members, and the ninth member shall represent the Evergreen Taxi Association or its successor. A member appointed by the City of Seattle and King County shall serve for a term of three years. Representation from the hospitality and tourism industry and the handicapped shall be considered. The following individuals shall not be eligible for appointment to the commission: staff employed by any governmental agency with jurisdiction over taxicab regulation or enforcement; any owner, lessee, driver or employee of a taxicab company or business, or any members of the immediate families of any of the foregoing. The commission shall provide for election of its own officers and its own rules of procedure.

The commission shall file its first report to the City and King County councils and the Port Commission no later than July 1, 1988, and annual reports thereafter. The commission may make special reports as the need arises.

SECTION 3. The King County executive is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute an interlocal agreement with the City of Seattle and the Port of Seattle to establish a Taxicab Commission for the purpose of making recommendations to each jurisdiction on agency recommendations resulting from taxicab industry reporting, pursuant to K.C.C. 6.64.510 - 540, and other recommendations concerning governmental regulations of the taxicab industry, taxi fares, and taxi licensing, provided that no agreement shall become effective without the approval of the King County council.

SECTION 4. Staffing. Staff support for the commission shall be provided by the King County licensing division and the City of Seattle Department of Licenses and Consumer Affairs.

INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 22nd day of February, 1988.

PASSED this 21st day of March, 1988.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Gary Grant  
Chair

ATTEST:

Ronald A. Fodor  
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 1st day of April, 1988.

Don Hill  
King County Executive