



KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

June 1, 2016

Motion 14650

Proposed No. 2016-0277.2

Sponsors Kohl-Welles

1 A MOTION expressing the county's support for the plan to
2 convert Building 2 at Magnuson park into a creative
3 commons soundstage facility and encouraging project
4 proponents to provide access, programming and
5 opportunities at the facility for users and residents of and
6 near Magnuson park.

7 WHEREAS, the regional film and media industry, and the related creative
8 industries, which are video gaming, content creation, television and web series and
9 virtual reality, have long needed a professional production center, and

10 WHEREAS, Building 2 at the city of Seattle's Magnuson park is the largest
11 publicly owned, free-span building north of Los Angeles, and

12 WHEREAS, this historic building has been home to significant film production
13 for over more than twenty years, and

14 WHEREAS, the lack of a moderns sound stage facility in the area is hurting the
15 film and creative arts industry in the King County region, and

16 WHEREAS, since February 2016, a film and transmedia advisory group,
17 comprised of twenty-four industry leaders and influencers, has been convening and
18 collaborating to construct a model and a business plan that will work for Building 2 as a
19 public/private partnership, and

20 WHEREAS, the proposal will provide a multitude of community benefits from
21 skill training and apprenticeships in industries that offer family-wage jobs and
22 commercially affordable business space, and will expose the community to the latest
23 innovations in content creation technology, and

24 WHEREAS, execution of this plan would revitalize our statewide film industry,
25 develop and retain talent, advance content for emerging technologies, offer job skills
26 training and develop and retain the workforce in the film, transmedia and virtual reality
27 sectors, while offering commercially affordable real estate for industry businesses and
28 nonprofits;

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

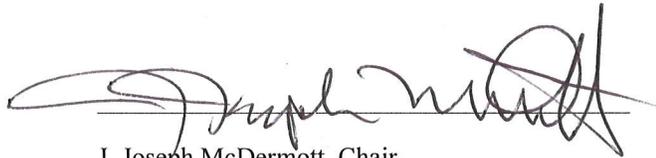
30 The county hereby expresses support for the project to convert Building 2 at
31 Magnuson park into a creative commons soundstage facility public/private partnership
32 that will benefit the Washington state creative arts community and grow our creative
33 economy. The county further encourages project proponents to provide access,

34 programming and opportunities at the facility for users and residents of and near
35 Magnuson park.
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Motion 14650 was introduced on 5/31/2016 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 5/31/2016, by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Dunn, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Upthegrove and Ms. Kohl-Welles
No: 1 - Mr. Gossett
Excused: 1 - Ms. Balducci

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



J. Joseph McDermott, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

Attachments: None