



KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

April 26, 2010

Motion 13209

Proposed No. 2010-0224.1

Sponsors Dunn and Ferguson

1 A MOTION supporting of the efforts of the King County
2 sheriff's office to create a proactive criminal activity
3 assessment and prevention program

4 WHEREAS, King County is committed to implementing alternatives to
5 incarceration that include connecting individuals in need to mental health, substance
6 abuse and housing programs, and

7 WHEREAS, the general public, law enforcement, judges, prosecutors, public
8 defenders, local corrections and elected officials are frequently targets of violent threats
9 and crimes, and

10 WHEREAS, the United States Department of Justice has published research and a
11 guide to encourage local law enforcement to develop protective intelligence and threat
12 assessment investigation programs that will deter potential violent criminal activity, and

13 WHEREAS, these information gathering and assessment programs should be
14 coupled with human services that assist individuals who are identified to have the
15 potential for violent activity, rather than relying on investigation and incarceration after a
16 criminal act was committed, and

17 WHEREAS, Dr. Matt Logan, a former staff sergeant with the Royal Canadian
18 Mounted Police, designed and implemented a Threats to Criminal Justice Officials
19 program, which is based on proactive and preventative policing for potential threats that

20 have been validated by a science-based behavioral analysis of psychological factors
21 rather than race or ethnicity factors, and

22 WHEREAS, an additional purpose of these threat de-escalation programs is to
23 develop real-time, resources for law enforcement officers and potential victims to further
24 minimize the opportunity for a violent crime to take place, and

25 WHEREAS, King County places a high value on developing regional resources
26 that enhance the protection and safety of all citizens, law enforcement, judiciary and
27 elected officials, and

28 WHEREAS, the King County sheriff's office is developing the regional risk
29 assessment, deterrence and referral program ("the RADAR program"), which would
30 develop regional resources to assess, address and de-escalate potential violent criminal
31 activity with a specific goal to prevent an event, and

32 WHEREAS, On November 29, 2009, four Lakewood city police officers were
33 murdered by an assailant who had a long history of felony charges and convictions, and

34 WHEREAS the King County prosecuting attorney, superior court and district
35 court have formally expressed their support for the efforts of the King County sheriff in
36 developing the RADAR program;

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

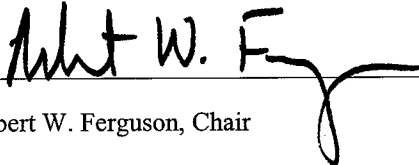
38 A. The King County council hereby confirms its support for proactive law
39 enforcement alternatives that are science and behavioral-based rather than based on
40 socioeconomic factors such as ethnicity or income and that connect individuals in need to
41 mental health, substance abuse and housing programs; and

42 B. The King County council expresses support for, and encourages the efforts of,
43 the King County sheriff to develop and identify funding for the RADAR program, which
44 is a proactive, science and behavioral analysis-based, regional resource program to
45 assess, address and deescalate the most violent potential criminal activity.
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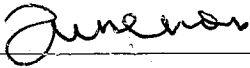
Motion 13209 was introduced on 4/5/2010 and passed by the Metropolitan King
County Council on 4/26/2010, by the following vote:

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

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Robert W. Ferguson, Chair

ATTEST:


Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

Attachments: None