



King County

**KING COUNTY**

1200 King County Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

**Signature Report**

**June 4, 2007**

**Motion 12526**

**Proposed No.** 2007-0271.1

**Sponsors** Phillips and Ferguson

1                   A MOTION requesting the executive to study ways to  
2                   increase construction contracting opportunities for small  
3                   businesses with King County and to recommend programs,  
4                   changes to county code or changes to state law that would  
5                   be needed to increase access to county business for small  
6                   contractors.

7  
8                   WHEREAS, the Puget Sound Regional Council's Prosperity Partnership, of  
9                   which King County is a partner, found that companies with less than one hundred  
10                  employees make up ninety-six percent of all businesses in the Puget Sound area and sixty  
11                  percent of private sector employment is in small businesses, and

12                  WHEREAS, the Prosperity Partnership recommended that "public policies must  
13                  better promote opportunities for small companies to do business with state and local  
14                  government," and

15                  WHEREAS, the King County council recently approved the rules for the  
16                  contracting opportunities program that will increase opportunities for small contractors  
17                  and suppliers to do business with King County, and

18           WHEREAS the King County council and the executive want to expand  
19 construction contracting opportunities for small businesses;

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

21           A. The executive is requested to examine ways to implement a program that  
22 would increase opportunities for small contractors to do business with King County; and

23           B. Where the executive finds impediments to implementing a program to  
24 increase opportunities for small contractors in county code or state law, the executive is  
25 requested to propose changes to county code for consideration by the council and to  
26 identify changes to state law that would be considered as the county develops its  
27 legislative agenda for 2008. The executive is requested to transmit the findings and  
28 proposed changes to the council by December 1, 2007, filed in the form of twelve copies  
29 with the clerk of the council, who will retain the original and will forward copies to each

**Motion 12526**

---

30 councilmember, the policy staff director and to the lead staff for the general government  
31 and labor relations committee, or its successor.

32

Motion 12526 was introduced on 4/23/2007 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 6/4/2007, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Mr. Gossett, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Hague and Mr. Constantine

No: 0

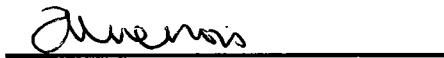
Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Larry Gossett, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

**Attachments**      None