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Nov. 16, 2009 Council Meeting

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Proposed No.: 2009-0616

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1 **STRIKING AMENDMENT TO PROPOSED MOTION 2009-0616, VERSION 1**

2 On page 1, beginning on line 5, strike everything through page 5, line 88, and insert:

3 "WHEREAS, the King County council is committed to principles of good
4 government and the transparency of its proceedings, and

5 WHEREAS, if the councilmember currently representing council district eight is
6 elected to serve and takes office as county executive, a vacancy will result in council
7 district eight, and

8 WHEREAS, to minimize the time that the residents of council district eight would
9 be without council representation, should a vacancy occur, the King County council
10 wishes to act quickly to appoint ^aan councilmember to fill the vacancy, and

11 WHEREAS, the King County council under the county charter may fill the
12 vacancy by appointment of an individual to serve as the councilmember representing
13 council district eight until a successor is elected and qualified at the November 2010
14 general election, and

15 WHEREAS, the challenges facing an appointed councilmember during the
16 intervening months before the 2010 primary and general elections will be substantial in

17 view of the ongoing financial crisis that the county, the state and the nation are facing,
18 and

19 WHEREAS, an appointed councilmember will need to have a solid
20 understanding of the issues impacting King County and the ability to work with labor,
21 business, environmental and other constituencies within council district eight;

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

23 A. In order to preserve public confidence in the selection process, an advisory
24 committee is hereby established for the purpose of reviewing eligible candidates for
25 appointment to the office of councilmember representing council district eight.

26 B. The advisory committee shall establish an expedited process that will facilitate
27 prompt appointment of a councilmember to represent council district eight.

28 C. The advisory committee shall include representatives reflecting the
29 geographic, economic and ethnic diversity of council district eight.

30 D. The appointed members of the advisory committee are:

31 1. Anne Levinson, cochair;

32 2. Mark Okazaki, cochair;

33 3. Aileen Balahadia;

34 4. Steve Daschle;

35 5. Tom Dean;

36 6. David Johnson;

37 7. Joan McGilton;

38 8. Patti Mullen;

39 9. Behnaz Nelson;

40 10. Kathy Nyland;

41 11. Doug Osterman; and

42 12. Chris Porter.

43 E. Qualified individuals wishing to be considered for appointment to serve as
44 appointed councilmember representing council district eight shall submit to the clerk of
45 the council, no later than 4:00 p.m. on November 23, 2009, a resume, a brief written
46 explanation of how they meet the criteria stated in section I of this motion, a statement of
47 whether they intend to run for election as councilmember representing council district
48 eight and three references with contact information. The materials may be submitted by
49 email, but candidates should confirm by phone that their materials have been received.

50 F. The clerk shall promptly assemble the application materials provided by each
51 candidate and provide copies of those application materials to the advisory committee
52 and each councilmember.

53 G. The chair of the council shall schedule the meeting of the committee after
54 consultation with the committee cochairs.

55 H. No later than December 3, 2009, the advisory committee shall: hold a
56 meeting to interview the qualified individuals who have submitted materials as provided
57 in subsection E. of this motion; and provide to each councilmember and the clerk of the
58 council its written recommendation of three to six candidates for consideration by the
59 council.

60 1. The advisory committee's recommendations shall include at least one
61 candidate who does not intend to run for election as councilmember representing council
62 district eight and at least one candidate who does intend to run for election as

63 councilmember representing council district eight, assuming qualified candidates apply
64 who meet these criteria.

65 2. The advisory committee's written recommendation shall include observations
66 about the strengths of each recommended candidate, but shall not include any stated
67 preferences among the recommended candidates.

68 3. The recommendation shall not limit the council's authority under the King
69 County Charter to appoint any citizen who meets the qualifications for office.

70 I. Evaluation criteria to be used by the advisory committee shall include, but not
71 be limited to:

- 72 1. Knowledge of the functions of King County government;
- 73 2. Knowledge of the issues and challenges facing King County government;
- 74 3. Knowledge of the issues affecting the constituents of council district eight;
- 75 4. A demonstrated ability to develop a responsible budget;
- 76 5. A demonstrated ability to respond to public concerns; and
- 77 6. Demonstrated leadership skills.

78 J. The committee of the whole will interview the candidates recommended by the
79 advisory committee and consider a motion appointing a qualified individual to serve as
80 councilmember representing council district eight until a successor is elected and
81 qualified at the November 2010 general election.

82 K. No later than December 14, 2009, the council shall act on the appointment
83 motion referred to in subsection J of this motion.

84 L. Because of the Municipal League's long record of public service in reviewing
85 candidates for election, the Municipal League is encouraged to review the candidates

86 presented for consideration to the committee and to provide any recommendations in
87 writing to each councilmember and the clerk of the council.

88 **EFFECT:**

- 89 **1. Deletes two of the whereas clauses;**
- 90 **2. Renames the "selection committee" as the "advisory committee".**
- 91 **3. Inserts the names of the advisory committee members;**
- 92 **4. Changes the description of the documents and information to be**
93 **submitted by the candidates;**
- 94 **5. Encourages candidates who submit their materials by email to confirm by**
95 **phone that the materials have been received;**
- 96 **6. Deletes one of the evaluation criteria;**
- 97 **7. Changes the number of candidates to be recommended by the advisory**
98 **committee to "three to six."**
- 99 **8. Requires the advisory committee's recommendation to include at least one**
100 **candidate who does not intend to run for election as councilmember representing**
101 **council district eight and one candidate who does intend to run for election as**
102 **councilmember representing council district eight.**
- 103 **9. Changes the deadlines in sections E and H and removes the date reference**
104 **in section J.**