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75% Homeless Vets
3.5% Limit Factor



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1 **STRIKING AMENDMENT S5 TO PROPOSED ORDINANCE 2017-0232,**

2 **VERSION 5**

3 On page 2, beginning on line 24, strike everything through page 25, line 540, and insert:

4 "STATEMENT OF FACTS:

5 1. In 2005, the metropolitan King County council passed Ordinance
6 15279, placing a six-year veterans and human services levy on the ballot
7 for a special election. King County residents voted for the veterans and
8 human services levy with a nearly fifty-eight percent approval to fund
9 services for veterans and their families, military personnel and their
10 families and other individuals and families in need across King County.

11 In 2011, the metropolitan King County council passed Ordinance 17072,
12 placing a renewal of the veterans and human services levy on the ballot for
13 a special election. King County residents voted for the renewal with a
14 nearly sixty-nine percent approval rate.

15 2. Since the veterans and human services levy's 2011 renewal, the current
16 veterans and human services levy has served more than one hundred and
17 eighty-three thousand clients, more than thirty thousand of whom have
18 been veterans, military personnel or their families.

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19 3. The current veterans and human service levy's accomplishments in
20 pursuit of its goal to reduce homelessness include: awarding proceeds to
21 go towards building eight hundred fifty-seven units of affordable housing;
22 gaining or maintaining housing for more than three thousand two hundred
23 persons; reaching more than seven thousand one hundred clients through
24 outreach and mobile services and then connecting them to housing,
25 medical or behavioral health services; and convening a network of
26 partners to house more than eight hundred fifty homeless veterans during a
27 focused housing initiative in 2015.

28 4. The current veterans and human services levy's accomplishments in
29 pursuit of its goal to reduce emergency medical and criminal justice
30 system involvement include engaging more than three thousand eight
31 hundred incarcerated or formerly incarcerated veterans, parents, or persons
32 at high risk of recidivism with reentry case planning, supportive services
33 or connections to housing or health care. A levy funded database and
34 housing placement program for high utilizers of public services calculated
35 that since 2012, supportive housing placements achieved estimated cost
36 offsets of seven million dollars that otherwise would have been incurred to
37 incarcerate or hospitalize the high utilizers who received housing.

38 5. The current veterans and human services levy's accomplishments in its
39 goal to increase self-sufficiency for veterans, military personnel, their
40 families and other individuals and families in need include the King
41 County veterans program serving more than twelve thousand veterans and

42 family members; screening more than twelve thousand seven hundred
43 mothers for behavioral health conditions at integrated community health
44 centers; providing civil legal case assessments for more than one thousand
45 one hundred veterans, more than three hundred of which resulted in
46 successful resolution and more than five hundred of which resulted in
47 referrals to outside counsel and provision of more than fifteen thousand
48 four hundred hours of posttraumatic stress disorder counseling to more
49 than one thousand two hundred veterans or their spouses and children.

50 6. The current veterans and human services levy will expire at the end of
51 2017. In light of this levy's accomplishments for King County's residents
52 and acknowledging the veterans and human services levy's importance to
53 maintaining basic health and human services for veterans and vulnerable
54 populations, the current levy's regional health and human services for
55 King County's veterans and vulnerable populations merit continuation.

56 7. The veterans and human services levy has provided an increasingly
57 large share of King County's funding for essential basic human services as
58 the general fund's structural deficit reduces the portion of the general fund
59 available to support human services.

60 8. Recognizing the changing landscape of regional veterans and human
61 services needs and funding since the 2011 renewal of the veterans and
62 human services levy, the metropolitan King County council directed the
63 executive to produce two reports to inform deliberations about renewal of
64 the current veterans and human services levy. Executive staff combined

65 the findings of staff research and community input from thirty-four in-
66 person engagement meetings and two online surveys, totaling seven
67 hundred and forty-two responses in seven languages, to compose and
68 present the reports. The metropolitan King County council approved the
69 first report in Motion 14822 and accepted and approved the second report
70 in Motion 14823. The reports provided information, analysis and
71 recommendations to inform deliberations about a potentially renewed or
72 replaced veterans and human services levy.

73 9. In addition to confirming the ongoing need to support the veterans and
74 vulnerable populations eligible to receive support within the current
75 veterans and human services levy, the report approved by the council in
76 Motion 14822 provides evidence that some populations and issues not
77 supported within the current veterans and human services levy now merit
78 consideration for support from the replacement levy proposed in this
79 ordinance. Those populations and issues include supporting seniors and
80 their caregivers and healthy aging; supporting survivors of traumatic
81 experiences that include sexual assault, domestic violence, human
82 trafficking, including labor trafficking and sex trafficking, and commercial
83 sexual exploitation as well as services to prevent those types of trauma;
84 support for refugees and immigrants; support for low-income residents of
85 rural communities and improved health and human services delivery in
86 rural communities; support for civil legal services for persons with low
87 income; and support for persons with disabilities and their caregivers.

88 10. From 2010 to 2015, the number of King County veterans living below
89 the federal poverty level increased by forty-three percent to a total of eight
90 thousand two hundred ninety-nine, even as the overall population of
91 veterans in King County has fallen to an estimated 2015 level of one
92 hundred twelve thousand eight hundred veterans.

93 11. Nationally, an average of twenty veterans commit suicide every day.
94 On average, only six of the twenty veterans committing suicide every day
95 are enrolled in U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs services. The
96 remaining majority are not receiving federal veterans services.

97 12. As of January 2017, an estimated two thousand one hundred two
98 veterans were homeless in King County. Despite a strong partnership with
99 the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, the Washington Department of
100 Veterans Affairs and a network of local housing and service providers
101 who together house an average of forty homeless veterans in King County
102 per month, the number of homeless veterans increases by a net average
103 monthly inflow of sixty-six newly homeless veterans. If sustained for a
104 year, this monthly rate of growth would generate seven hundred and
105 twenty newly homeless veterans per year.

106 13. Eight percent of King County residents live in rural communities.
107 King County's rural residents consistently report difficulty in accessing the
108 network of federal, state, county and philanthropically funded health and
109 human services. Travelling to urban centers to seek services is difficult or
110 impractical for many persons from rural communities who require health

111 and human services.

112 14. At least fourteen thousand persons experience domestic violence each
113 year in King County. Survivors of domestic violence experience
114 disproportionately high rates of homelessness and experience an average
115 of more than nineteen civil legal problems, more than twice the average
116 experienced by the general low-income population.

117 15. Approximately three to five hundred youth are sexually exploited
118 within King County each year. Commercial sexual exploitation of
119 children remains a poorly understood yet urgent challenge for King
120 County residents to confront.

121 16. More than one hundred thousand persons with physical, intellectual or
122 developmental disabilities live in Washington. More than seventy percent
123 of persons with a disability live with a family caregiver, and twenty-three
124 percent of those family caregivers are aged sixty or older with an
125 additional thirty-five percent aged forty-one or older.

126 17. Eighteen percent of King County residents are aged sixty or older, a
127 number that will increase to twenty-five percent of the county population
128 by 2040. As seniors make up an increasing percentage of King County's
129 population, funding for senior services is not keeping pace. Funding
130 through the federal Older Americans Act, as well as state and county
131 funding for seniors, is falling. Philanthropic funding for seniors is also
132 waning. The result is a trend toward reduced senior funding just as King
133 County's population of seniors is increasing.

134 18. Seventy-eight percent of persons sixty or older have one or more
135 chronic health conditions. Thirty-five percent are women living alone.
136 Nine percent are living in poverty. Racial, ethnic and place-based
137 disproportionalities unevenly distribute these conditions and risk factors
138 across King County.

139 19. Elder abuse is a growing challenge. The King County prosecuting
140 attorney's office reported more than seven thousand allegations of abuse
141 and neglect of seniors in King County in 2015.

142 20. The responsibility to care for vulnerable seniors impacts all
143 generations. One-third of today's King County residents who are sixty-
144 five or older will need some form of long-term care service or support in
145 the future. That work will in many cases require assistance from unpaid
146 caregivers, including spouses, adult children and acquaintances.

147 21. Seniors, many of whose incomes are fixed, find it increasingly
148 difficult to afford to live in the King County communities they helped
149 nurture and build as housing costs increase dramatically.

150 22. Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer seniors in King County
151 are at extreme risk of the health-harming effects of social isolation and
152 poverty, with nearly one quarter of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and
153 queer seniors in King County living below two hundred percent of the
154 federal poverty level, forty-five percent living alone and sixty-eight
155 percent reporting having experienced three or more incidents of
156 victimization or discrimination.

157 23. Adults aged sixty-five and older comprised eighty percent of the more
158 than two thousand people who were hospitalized for falls in King County
159 between 2008 and 2012. The rate of death of seniors hospitalized for falls
160 is more than seven times the county average. In 2015, more than fifteen
161 percent of King County emergency medical services' call responses were
162 for seniors who had fallen.

163 24. Actual and perceived social isolation are both associated with
164 increased risk for premature death. The influence of social isolation on
165 the risk of death is comparable with risk factors for mortality such as
166 smoking. Social isolation's influence on risk of premature death exceeds
167 that of physical inactivity and obesity. Adults seventy-five and older who
168 are lonely, socially isolated and inactive have a mortality rate of fifty-three
169 percent compared to a mortality rate of thirty percent among their age
170 peers who are not lonely, inactive, or socially isolated.

171 25. Since its inception in 2006 and through its renewal in 2011, the
172 veterans and human services levy has served hundreds of thousands of
173 veterans, military personnel, their families and other individuals and
174 families in need. In addition to the veterans and human services levy's
175 achievements, changed conditions and newly emerging needs present
176 additional opportunities to set the conditions for persons in King County
177 to fulfill their potential. Given the levy's track record of success and the
178 additional need within the community, it is appropriate to ask the voters to
179 replace the current veterans and human services levy with the veterans,

180 seniors and human services levy provided for in this ordinance.

181 26. In 2010, the county adopted Ordinance 16857, establishing the King
182 County Strategic Plan. In 2015, the county council passed Motion 14317
183 updating and revising King County's vision, mission, guiding principles
184 and goals. Included within the county's goals are improving the health and
185 well-being of all people in King County, increasing access to quality
186 housing that is affordable to all, implementing alternatives to divert people
187 from the criminal justice system and ensuring that county government
188 operates efficiently and effectively and is accountable to the public. The
189 county's guiding principles command that pursuit of the county goals
190 should address the root causes of inequities to provide equal access for all;
191 engage with partners, stakeholders and public and private organizations to
192 achieve goals; align funding, policy and operational goals of King County
193 government; and provide effective, efficient local governance and services
194 to unincorporated areas.

195 27. In 2016, the council adopted implementation plans for the best starts
196 for kids levy and the mental illness and drug dependency sales tax
197 renewal. Both plans expressed the council's and the executive's intent to
198 design, implement and evaluate strategies that are outcomes-oriented. It is
199 the county's intent that the veterans, seniors and human services levy
200 provided for in this ordinance, if approved by voters, shall have an
201 outcomes orientation that appropriately aligns with the plans for the best
202 starts for kids levy and the mental illness and drug dependency sales tax.

203 28. King County actively engages in equity and social justice efforts to
204 eliminate racially and ethnically disparate health and human services
205 outcomes in King County, and this priority shall guide the council and the
206 executive in the process of designing, administering, and evaluating the
207 policies and programs related to the veterans, seniors and human services
208 levy, if approved by voters.

209 29. It is the intent of the county that over the course of the six-year levy
210 the majority of levy proceeds expended to build capital facilities under
211 authority of this ordinance shall be for very low-income households of
212 which the total income is no higher than thirty percent of the median
213 income level for the county as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing
214 and Urban Development or its successor agency. Specific very low-
215 income threshold levels vary according to household size.

216 30. It is the intent of the county that the transition plan required in section
217 7.A. of this ordinance provide a mechanism to continue, without
218 interruption, currently funded regional health and human services to
219 veterans and military servicemembers and their respective families, and
220 other persons in King County; to provide substantial investments in
221 housing stability early in the levy term; and to engage in planning
222 activities until the new implementation plan is approved in accordance
223 with section 7.B. of this ordinance.

224 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

225 SECTION 1. Definitions. The definitions in this section apply throughout this

226 ordinance unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

227 A. "Caregiver" means a person who, without pay, cares for or supervises another
228 person who requires such care or supervision due to disability, chronic illness or, in the
229 case of a senior, age-related decline. Government-provided benefits or financial
230 assistance provided directly to a person for being a caregiver are not considered pay
231 within this definition.

232 B. "Levy" means the levy of regular property taxes for the specific purposes and
233 term provided in this ordinance and authorized by the electorate in accordance with state
234 law.

235 C. "Levy proceeds" means the principal amount of moneys raised by the levy and
236 any interest earnings on the moneys.

237 D. "Limit factor" for purposes of calculating the levy limitations in RCW
238 84.55.010, means one hundred three and one-half percent.

239 E. "Military servicemember" means a person who is serving as either an active
240 duty or a reservist member of the U.S. Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force or Coast Guard,
241 or in the National Guard.

242 F. "Regional health and human services" means a wide range of those services,
243 programs, operations and capital facilities that promote outcomes relating to healthy
244 living, housing stability, financial stability, social engagement, service system
245 improvement and service system access to meet basic human needs and promote healthy
246 living and communities including, but not limited to:

247 1. Those services, programs, operations and capital facilities that promote
248 housing stability or that contribute to making homelessness rare, brief and one-time by

249 creating housing, preserving or modifying existing housing or supporting persons in
250 gaining or maintaining housing, including an assistance program to support persons who
251 qualify for a property tax exemption under RCW 84.36.381;

252 2. Those health care and health promotion services, programs and operations
253 that encourage healthy lifestyles and wellness, promote healthy aging, support recovery,
254 improve physical and behavioral health for individuals and families, promote suicide
255 prevention efforts, reduce unintentional injury and support survivors of domestic
256 violence;

257 3. Those services, programs, operations and capital facilities that promote social
258 engagement and community building such as senior centers for individuals and groups in
259 culturally, geographically, economically or linguistically isolated communities and for
260 others such as seniors experiencing or at risk of social isolation and its health-harming
261 effects;

262 4. Those services and programs that promote financial stability or financial
263 mobility, including access to, preparation for and assistance in gaining or maintaining
264 employment, income, education and financial literacy, including an assistance program to
265 support persons who qualify for a property tax exemption under RCW 84.36.381;

266 5. Those services and programs that promote equitable and affordable access to
267 child care in King County, including but not limited to services and programs that
268 promote equitable and affordable access to child care for families of veterans and military
269 servicemembers;

270 6. Those services, programs, operations and capital facilities that promote and
271 support diversion away from the criminal justice system, and services and programs that

272 promote and support criminal justice system-linked services or other services that assist
273 individuals, including children, youth and young adults, and their families, in preventing,
274 mitigating or recovering from the effects of their involvement with the criminal justice
275 system, including services that promote restorative justice or reentry to society after
276 incarceration or detention, such as services aimed at supporting justice system-involved
277 individuals to attain or retain housing;

278 7. Those services, programs, operations and capital facilities that improve or
279 expand the delivery of health and human services, improve health and human services
280 system access and navigability, reduce or prevent the disparate or traumatic effects of
281 systems upon vulnerable populations, build the capacity and support the operations of
282 health and human services providers to serve their clients and communities, including
283 strategies to promote retention, recruitment and pay of high quality service providers and
284 build the capacity of communities to partner with King County;

285 8. Those services, programs, operations and capital facilities that improve or
286 expand the delivery of civil legal aid to vulnerable populations;

287 9. Those services and programs that promote, encourage and support
288 employment opportunities for veterans and military servicemembers, including
289 employment opportunities in King County government such as the veterans internship
290 program, a version of which has also been known as the Vets 4 HIRE program,
291 established by Ordinance 17450;

292 10. Those services and programs for incarcerated veterans and military
293 servicemembers, including assessment and referral for substance abuse treatment, mental
294 health counseling, transitional housing assistance and job referral and placement services

295 such as those provided through the incarcerated veterans pilot program established under
296 Motion 14632 and Motion 14766;

297 11. Those services, programs, operations and capital facilities that further a goal
298 of allowing seniors to age in place and enjoy a high quality of life in their own homes;

299 12. Those services, programs, operations and capital facilities that improve and
300 expand services for youth in crisis; and

301 13. Those services, programs, operations and capital facilities that provide
302 education and work force development and training for vulnerable populations.

303 G. "Senior" means a person who is at least fifty-five years old.

304 H. "Technical assistance and capacity building" means assisting small
305 organizations, partnerships and groups to enable such entities to provide regional health
306 and human services and capital facilities funded by the levy's proceeds. Assistance may
307 include, but is not limited to, providing or funding legal, accounting, human resources
308 and leadership development services and support.

309 I. "Veteran" means a person who has served as either an active duty or a reservist
310 member of the U.S. Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force or Coast Guard, or in the National
311 Guard.

312 J. "Vulnerable population" means persons or communities that are susceptible to
313 reduced health, housing, financial or social stability outcomes because of current
314 experience of or historical exposure to trauma, violence, poverty, isolation, bias, racism,
315 stigma, discrimination, disability or chronic illness. Examples of vulnerable populations
316 include, but are not limited to survivors of domestic violence; survivors of sexual assault;
317 survivors of human trafficking, including labor trafficking and sex trafficking; survivors

318 of commercial sexual exploitation; persons who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual,
319 transgender, queer or intersex; persons with a disability; African Americans and other
320 persons of color who have been disproportionately impacted by policies and practices
321 resulting in housing instability or housing insecurity; family caregivers for persons with a
322 disability; immigrants and refugees; low-income residents of rural communities; persons
323 living in poverty; persons at risk of or experiencing homelessness; youth involved in the
324 child welfare system, including youth in the foster care system, and young adult alumni
325 of the child welfare system; minors who have been separated from both parents and other
326 relatives and are not being cared for by an adult who, by law or custom, is responsible for
327 doing so; persons reentering society from criminal justice system involvement; and
328 persons at risk of criminal justice system involvement due to disproportionate practices of
329 enforcement, mental illness or substance use disorders.

330 SECTION 2. Levy submittal to the voters. To provide necessary moneys for
331 the provision of regional health and human services to King County's veterans and
332 military servicemembers and their respective families, seniors and their caregivers and
333 vulnerable populations, technical assistance and capacity building, and for limiting the
334 impact of this levy on metropolitan park districts and fire districts due to prorationing
335 mandated under RCW 84.52.010, the county council shall submit to the qualified electors
336 of the county a proposition to replace an expiring levy and authorize a regular property
337 tax levy in excess of the levy limitation contained in chapter 84.55 RCW for six
338 consecutive years, at a rate not to exceed ten cents per one thousand dollars of assessed
339 value in the first year and collections commencing in 2018, with the 2017 levy amount
340 serving as the base for annual increases limited by the limit factor.

341 SECTION 3. Deposit of levy proceeds. The levy proceeds shall be deposited in
342 a special revenue fund, which fund shall be created by ordinance.

343 SECTION 4. Eligible expenditures.

344 A. If approved by the qualified electors of the county, at least one percent of each
345 year's levy proceeds must be used to fund technical assistance and capacity building.

346 B. From the remaining levy proceeds after the amount required in subsection A.
347 of this section, except for three hundred thousand dollars of each year's levy proceeds
348 reserved for the purposes set forth in subsection C. of this section, all levy proceeds shall
349 be divided into three equal parts and used for the following purposes:

350 1. One third of those proceeds shall be used to plan, provide, administer and
351 evaluate a wide range of regional health and human services and capital facilities for
352 veterans and military servicemembers and their respective families. In this levy's first
353 year, at least fifty percent of the proceeds described in this subsection shall be used to
354 fund those capital facilities and regional health and human services that promote housing
355 stability for veterans and military servicemembers and their respective families. In
356 subsequent years, at least twenty-five percent of the proceeds described in this subsection
357 shall be used to fund those capital facilities and regional health and human services that
358 promote housing stability for veterans and military servicemembers and their respective
359 families. No more than five percent of the proceeds described in this subsection shall be
360 used to fund the planning, ^{and} administration ~~and evaluation~~ of the wide range of regional
361 health and human services and capital facilities to be provided under this subsection;

362 2. One third of those proceeds shall be used to plan, provide, administer and
363 evaluate a wide range of regional health and human services and capital facilities for

364 seniors and their caregivers and to promote healthy aging in King County. Until seventy
365 five percent of those ^{seniors, who are also} veterans or military servicemembers in King County, who as of the
366 date this ordinance is enacted are homeless, obtain housing, at least fifty percent of the
367 proceeds described in this subsection shall be used to fund capital facilities and regional
368 health and human services for seniors who are also veterans or military servicemembers
369 and their respective caregivers and families. In this levy's first year, at least fifty percent
370 of the proceeds described in this subsection shall be used to fund those capital facilities
371 and regional health and human services that promote housing stability for seniors. In
372 subsequent years, at least twenty-five percent of the proceeds described in this subsection
373 shall be used to fund those capital facilities and regional health and human services that
374 promote housing stability for seniors. No more than five percent of the proceeds
375 described in this subsection shall be used to fund the planning ^{and} administration and ~~and~~
376 ^g evaluation of the wide range of regional health and human services and capital facilities
377 to be provided under this subsection; and

378 3. One third of those proceeds shall be used to plan, provide, administer and
379 evaluate a wide range of regional health and human services and capital facilities for
380 vulnerable populations. In this levy's first year, at least fifty percent of the proceeds
381 described in this subsection shall be used to fund those capital facilities and regional
382 health and human services that promote housing stability for vulnerable populations. In
383 subsequent years, at least twenty-five percent of the proceeds described in this subsection
384 shall be used to fund those capital facilities and regional health and human services that
385 promote housing stability for vulnerable populations. No more than five percent of the
386 proceeds described in this subsection shall be used to fund the planning ^{and} administration ^{and}

387 and ~~evaluation~~ of the wide range of regional health and human services and capital
388 facilities to be provided under this subsection.

389 C.1. Of the levy proceeds annually reserved in subsection B. of this section, the
390 council may by ordinance authorize the expenditure of those levy proceeds to ^{mitigate} reduce the
391 levy's impact on metropolitan park districts and fire districts to the extent their levies may
392 be prorated as mandated by RCW 84.52.010 and to the extent the prorationing was
393 caused by this levy. Metropolitan park districts and fire districts shall use any moneys
394 received under authority of this subsection C. to fund, within their districts, regional
395 health and human services for veterans and military servicemembers and their respective
396 families, seniors and their caregivers and vulnerable populations.

397 2. Unless the council by ordinance otherwise directs, reserved levy proceeds not
398 expended as authorized in subsection C.1. of this section shall be, no earlier than June 1,
399 2023, divided in thirds and one third expended for each of the purposes set forth in
400 subsection B.1. through 3. of this section.

401 SECTION 5. Call for special election. In accordance with RCW 29A.04.321,
402 the King County council hereby calls for a special election to be held in conjunction with
403 the general election on November 7, 2017, to consider a proposition authorizing a regular
404 property tax levy for the purposes described in this ordinance. The King County director
405 of elections shall cause notice to be given of this ordinance in accordance with the state
406 constitution and general law and to submit to the qualified electors of the county, at the
407 said special county election, the proposition hereinafter set forth. The clerk of the council
408 shall certify that proposition to the director of elections in substantially the following
409 form, with such additions, deletions or modifications as may be required for the

410 proposition listed below by the prosecuting attorney:

411 PROPOSITION ___; The King County Council has passed Ordinance _____ concerning
412 funding for veterans, seniors and vulnerable populations. If approved, this proposition
413 would replace an expiring levy and fund capital facilities and regional health and human
414 services for veterans and military servicemembers and their respective families, seniors
415 and their caregivers, and vulnerable populations, including domestic violence survivors
416 and persons with disabilities. It would authorize King County to levy an additional
417 property tax for six years beginning in 2018 at a rate of \$0.10 per \$1,000 of assessed
418 valuation, the 2018 levy amount being the base for subsequent annual increases of up to
419 3.5%.
0.12 failed

420 Should this proposition be:

421 Approved? _____

422 Rejected? _____

423 SECTION 6. Governance.

424 A. No later than August 23, 2017, the executive shall develop and transmit a plan
425 for council review and approval by ordinance to create and prescribe the composition and
426 duties of a board or boards to provide oversight of the expenditure of the proceeds
427 described in section 4.A. and B. of this ordinance. The creation of the board or boards
428 shall be contingent upon voter approval of the ballot proposition described in section 5 of
429 this ordinance.

430 B. The board or boards shall be charged to oversee the distribution of levy
431 proceeds consistent with section 4.A. and B. of this ordinance and to report annually to
432 the executive and council on the fiscal and performance management of the levy. The

433 plan may describe additional matters on which the board or boards are empowered to
434 provide advice to the executive and county council.

435 C. The proposed ordinance required by this section may be combined with the
436 proposed ordinance required by section 7.A. of this ordinance.

437 **SECTION 7. Implementation planning.**

438 A. No later than August 23, 2017, the executive shall transmit for council review
439 and approval by ordinance a proposed transition plan for the veterans, seniors and human
440 services levy. Contingent upon voter approval of the ballot proposition described in
441 section 5 of this ordinance, a transition plan, for spending of levy proceeds in 2018 or
442 later years as authorized under this ordinance, should address the following elements:

443 1. A recommended course of action that would minimize service discontinuity
444 for veterans and military servicemembers and their respective families and other
445 individuals and families in need during the transition between the veterans and human
446 services levy and the veterans, seniors and human services levy;

447 2. Any proposed new staffing and planning activities required to plan for and
448 administer the veterans, seniors and human services levy during the 2018 transition
449 period, and prior to the adoption of the implementation plan required in subsection 7.B.
450 of this ordinance;

451 3. A plan for the portion of veterans, seniors and human services first-year
452 proceeds required in section 4.B.1. through 3. of this ordinance to fund those capital
453 facilities and regional and human services that promote housing stability for veterans,
454 seniors and vulnerable populations. The executive shall develop and include a definition
455 of housing stability that shall address but not be limited to: the appropriate percentage

456 that housing costs should represent of a person's income as compared to costs of other
457 necessities, such as food, clothing, transportation and medical care; risk factors for
458 housing instability or housing insecurity; and housing safety and quality. The transition
459 plan shall include and utilize criteria that address geographic differences and trends in
460 housing stability, including housing costs, to assess the need for and to allocate housing
461 stability investments. The transition plan shall include a process to streamline the review
462 and approval of capital facilities designed to promote housing stability for veterans,
463 servicemembers and their respective families, seniors and vulnerable populations so that
464 resources are made available in an expeditious and responsible manner while also
465 reducing administrative costs;

466 4. A methodology to determine the number of ^{seniors who are also} veterans and military
467 servicemembers who are homeless as of the date this ordinance is enacted and to track
468 the number of veterans and military servicemembers who obtain housing over the term of
469 this levy and the plan to implement that methodology and tracking; and

470 5. Definitions of planning, ^{and} administration and ~~evaluation~~ as those terms are used
471 in section 4.B.1., 2. and 3. of this ordinance and the percentage of proceeds by each of the
472 three equal parts as described in section 4.B. of this ordinance that will be used to
473 perform these activities.

474 B. Contingent upon voter approval of the ballot proposition described in section 5
475 of this ordinance and no later than March 16, 2018, the executive shall transmit an
476 implementation plan for the veterans, seniors and human services levy for council review
477 and adoption by ordinance. The implementation plan shall describe the expenditure of
478 levy proceeds to achieve outcomes related to healthy living, housing stability, financial

479 stability, social engagement, service system improvement and service system access for
480 veterans and military servicemembers and their respective families, seniors and their
481 caregivers and vulnerable populations, consistent with the eligible expenditures described
482 in section 4 of this ordinance. This plan shall include definitions of planning *and*
483 ~~administration and evaluation~~ *o* as those terms are used in section 4.B.1., 2. and 3. of this
484 ordinance and the percentage of proceeds by each of the three equal parts as described in
485 section 4.B. of this ordinance that will used to perform these activities. The definitions
486 and percentages may be refined from the definitions and percentages included in the
487 transition plan required in subsection A. of this section. This plan shall include a
488 definition of housing stability for the purposes of expenditures of levy proceeds that shall
489 address but not be limited to: the appropriate percentage that housing costs should
490 represent of a person's income as compared to costs of other necessities, such as food,
491 clothing, transportation and medical care; risk factors for housing instability or housing
492 insecurity; and housing safety and quality. The definition may be refined from the
493 definition included in the transition plan required in subsection A. of this section. The
494 implementation plan shall include and utilize criteria that address geographic differences
495 and trends in housing stability, including housing costs, to assess the need for and to
496 allocate housing stability investments. The plan shall include identification of services,
497 programs, operations and capital facilities that build the capacity and support the
498 operations of health and human services providers to serve their clients and communities,
499 including strategies to promote retention, recruitment and pay of high quality service
500 providers. The plan shall also identify and describe: accountability measures, including
501 measurable outcomes or results expected for each of the three populations, which are

502 veterans, seniors and vulnerable populations, across each of the five outcome areas,
503 which are healthy living, housing stability, financial stability, social engagement, service
504 system improvement and service system access, due to the expenditure of levy funds; a
505 regular performance monitoring program that will assess and report on how well the
506 veterans, seniors and human services levy is achieving those outcomes; and how this
507 veterans, seniors and human services levy program-specific performance monitoring and
508 reporting will be coordinated with performance monitoring and reporting on other
509 dedicated human service funds, such as the best starts for kids fund and the mental illness
510 and drug dependency fund. The plan shall also include the methodology of how the
511 number of ^{seniors, who are also} veterans and military servicemembers, who were homeless as of the date this
512 ordinance was enacted, was determined and the methodology to track the number of
513 veterans and military servicemembers who obtain housing over the term of this levy. The
514 plan shall also provide for the implementation of the tracking. The methodology and
515 plan may be refined from those included in the transition plan required in subsection A.
516 of this section. The plan should describe how performance monitoring and reporting will
517 focus on results and not simply on numbers served.

518 C. No levy proceeds may be expended until the council adopts by ordinance the
519 transition plan referenced in subsections 7.A.1. through 3. of this ordinance. Until the
520 council approves by ordinance the implementation plan referenced in subsection 7.B. of
521 this ordinance, the transition plan, approved under subsection 7.A. of this ordinance, shall
522 govern the expenditure of levy proceeds. After adoption of the implementation plan, it
523 shall govern the expenditure of levy proceeds and the transition plan shall no longer have
524 force or effect.

525 SECTION 8. It is the intent of the council that the additional regular property
526 taxes authorized by this ordinance shall be included in any real property tax exemption
527 authorized by RCW 84.36.381, including any amendment that is adopted by the state
528 legislature during the term of this levy.

529 SECTION 9. Ratification. Certification of the proposition by the clerk of the
530 county council to the director of elections in accordance with law before the general
531 election on November 7, 2017, and any other act consistent with the authority and before
532 the effective date of this ordinance are hereby ratified and confirmed.

533 SECTION 10. The plans specified in sections 6 and 7.B. of this ordinance are
534 countywide plans included in the work plan of the regional policy committee and as part
535 of the council review shall be referred to the regional policy committee in accordance
536 with Section 270.30 of the King County Charter and K.C.C. 1.24.065.D.2.

537 SECTION 11. Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or its application
538 to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance or the
539 application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected."

540 ***EFFECT: This striker would amend Version 5 to include the requirement that 50***
541 ***percent of the seniors allocation be used for seniors who are also veterans or military***
542 ***servicemembers and their respective caregivers and families until 75 percent of***
543 ***veterans or military servicemembers who are homeless at the time of the enactment.***
544 ***The methodology is to be determined as part of the transition and implementation plan.***