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April 2, 2026

The Honorable Sarah Perry
Chair, King County Council
Room 1200
COURTHOUSE

Dear Councilmember Perry:

This letter transmits the proposed first omnibus supplemental budget Ordinance of the 2026-2027 biennium. The proposed legislation includes technical adjustments, reappropriations, updates to Proviso and expenditure restriction language, and changes to Ordinance 20023 to implement reorganization of the Executive Office. Details are provided in the narrative table included in this package.

The proposed budget supplemental totals approximately \$394 million, comprised of \$185 million in operating appropriations and \$209 million in capital appropriations. The proposal includes 47.5 full-time equivalent positions, which are all revenue backed. The proposed increase of General Fund expenditures is approximately \$49 million, of which \$16 million is revenue backed and \$33 million is supported by General Fund fund balance.

The proposed Ordinance includes expenditures in the following areas:

- \$101 million to reappropriate funds for projects that were approved in 2025 and need additional time to complete;
- \$4.9 million to fund labor agreements for represented employees.;
- \$2 million to provide rental assistance, legal resources, and food assistance to immigrant and refugee communities;
- \$12.5 million for communities impacted by the flood emergency in December, including \$11.7 million for emergency repairs for roads and bridges and \$1.5 million to expand flood recovery programs for residents;
- \$25 million to ensure the King County Sheriff's Office and Office of Emergency Management have the resources they need to keep our community safe during local World Cup games;
- \$9.1 million for critical life safety projects and building upgrades at the King County Courthouse, the Chinook Building, Maleng Regional Justice Center, the Dexter Horton building, and the King County Correctional Facility; and

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- \$5.4 million to continue implementing the County's long-term hybrid workplace plans, supported by one-time savings across the enterprise.

I certify that funds are available.

Thank you for your consideration of this legislation. If your staff have questions, please contact Aaron Rubardt, Chief Budget Officer, at 206-263-9715.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

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