



King County

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ATTACHMENT 4

June 21, 2006

Honorable Ron Sims
King County Executive
701 Fifth Avenue, Suite 3210
Seattle, WA 98104

Dear Executive Sims:

Proposed Ordinance 2006-0250 seeking a supplemental appropriation request of \$6.8 million for acquisition of NCOB Furniture Fixtures & Equipment (FF&E) modular workstations was transmitted on May 24, 2006.

The adopted 2005 Space Plan states that the new space standards for county employees will be tested during the programming for the New County Office Building. Subsequently, adjustments may need to be made. The Space Plan policy on modular furniture also states that approval of modular furniture systems is conditional upon cost benefit analysis.

As a consequence, on March 13, 2006 the Council included a proviso in Ordinance 15390 requiring a report on the status of the NCOB tenant programming, space planning, fixtures furniture and equipment acquisition and reuse strategies and estimated tenant move costs and schedule. The report was due May 15, 2006 but has yet to be transmitted. It is critical for the Council to review the status of the NCOB programming prior to consideration of a supplemental appropriation of this magnitude for modular furnishings. Therefore, I am compelled to withhold review of the funding request until after the Council has had an opportunity to review the policy framework.

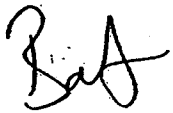
Additionally, at the request of the Executive, the Council changed the due date for transmittal of the annual Space Plan from August 15th to March 1st. The Space Plan

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has not been transmitted. Please let me know when the Space Plan will be transmitted.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bob', written in a cursive style.

Bob Ferguson
King County Councilmember

cc: Rebecha Cusack