



KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

May 9, 2018

Motion 15143

Proposed No. 2018-0225.1

Sponsors McDermott

1 A MOTION establishing a process to review applications
2 for service on the Vashon Island ferry advisory committee.

3 WHEREAS, RCW 47.60.310 provides for the appointment of ferry advisory
4 committees to express to the management of Washington state ferries the views of local
5 community groups regarding the service provided by the state ferry system and any
6 problems being experienced within the area served by the ferry system, and

7 WHEREAS, RCW 47.60.310 provides for Vashon Island to have a ferry
8 advisory committee consisting of three members, and

9 WHEREAS, RCW 47.60.310 provides that at least one person appointed to
10 the Vashon Island ferry advisory committee shall be a representative of an established
11 ferry user group or of frequent users of the ferry system, and

12 WHEREAS, RCW 47.60.310 provides that each member of the Vashon
13 Island ferry advisory committee shall reside in the vicinity of the Vashon Island ferry
14 terminal, and

15 WHEREAS, RCW 47.60.310 provides that not more than two members of
16 the Vashon Island ferry advisory committee may be from the same political party at the
17 time of their appointment, and

18 WHEREAS, RCW 47.60.310 provides that the members of the Vashon Island
19 ferry advisory committee shall be appointed by the Vashon/Maury Island community

20 council to serve staggered four-year terms, and

21 WHEREAS, RCW 47.60.310 provides that if the Vashon/Maury Island
22 community council fails to appoint a qualified person to fill a vacancy on the Vashon
23 ferry advisory committee within ninety days after the vacancy occurs, the legislative
24 authority of King County, which is the King County council, shall appoint a qualified
25 person to fill the vacancy, and

26 WHEREAS, the Vashon/Maury Island community council is no longer
27 operating and was administratively dissolved by the Washington secretary of state in
28 September 2013, and

29 WHEREAS, in 2016, upon the expiration of the terms of the members of the
30 Vashon Island ferry advisory committee, and in the absence of the Vashon/Maury Island
31 community council, the King County council appointed as members of the Vashon Island
32 ferry advisory committee the three people who had been most recently appointed by the
33 Vashon/Maury Island community council, and

34 WHEREAS, for the 2016 appointments to the Vashon Island ferry advisory
35 committee, the King County council set staggered terms, with one each for two years,
36 three years and four years, and

37 WHEREAS, the King County council desires that the ferry advisory committee
38 provide opportunities for clear and collegial communication between community
39 members and staff of the Washington State Ferries, so as to ensure efficient and effective
40 ferry services to King County residents and businesses, and

41 WHEREAS, the King County council recognizes that this goal of enhancing
42 communication requires a significant and ongoing time commitment by members of the

43 ferry advisory committee, including regular meetings of the ferry advisory committee,
44 meetings with staff of the Washington State Ferries and outreach to community members,
45 and

46 WHEREAS, the King County council wishes to develop a process for future
47 appointments to the Vashon Island ferry advisory committee that will provide notice of
48 vacancies to the community, provide the opportunity for interested community members
49 from Vashon/Maury Island to apply to serve and provide for a structured review of
50 applications that are received that considers the responsibilities of ferry advisory
51 committee members;

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

53 A. When the King County councilmember who represents Vashon/Maury
54 Island is alerted to a vacancy on the Vashon Island ferry advisory committee, either
55 because of the expiration of a term or because of a member choosing to resign prior to the
56 expiration of that member's term, the councilmember shall:

57 1. Provide information to residents of Vashon/Maury Island about the
58 Vashon Island ferry advisory committee and an application to serve on the Vashon Island
59 ferry advisory committee, with a deadline by which applications must be received,
60 through means that could include but are not limited to the King County council web site,
61 King County council mailing lists, notices in Vashon/Maury Island media or notices at
62 the Vashon Island ferry terminal; and

63 2. Convene a Vashon Island ferry advisory committee membership review
64 group with the following representation:

65 a. one representative of the King County councilmember who represents

66 Vashon/Maury Island;

67 b. two representatives of the King County executive; and

68 c. two representatives of organizations that serve the Vashon/Maury Island
69 community.

70 B. The Vashon Island ferry advisory committee membership review group
71 shall review applications that are received for service on the Vashon Island ferry advisory
72 committee and shall submit up to two recommendations for each vacant position to the
73 King County councilmember who represents Vashon/Maury Island. The
74 recommendations shall meet the requirements for membership on the Vashon Island ferry
75 advisory committee described in RCW 47.60.310.

76 C. The King County council shall appoint a member to each vacant position
77 on the Vashon Island ferry advisory committee using the appointment process described
78 in RCW 47.60.310.

Motion 15143 was introduced on 4/23/2018 and passed by the Metropolitan King
County Council on 5/7/2018, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Dunn,
Mr. McDermott, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Upthegrove, Ms. Kohl-Welles
and Ms. Balducci

No: 0

Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON




ATTEST:



Melani Pedroza, Clerk of the Council

Attachments: None