



King County
Metropolitan King County Council
Committee of the Whole

STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item No.: 6 & 7	Date: 21 July 2010
Motion No.: 2010-0408 and 0411	Prepared by: Nick Wagner

SUMMARY

Proposed Motions 2010-0408 and 2010-0411 (pp. 3-9 of these materials) would appoint committees to write the voters' pamphlet statements for and against the proposed charter amendments that the Council has voted to place on the November 2010 general election ballot.

As introduced, the motions have blanks for the names of the appointees, since the appointees have not yet been determined. It is expected that the motions will be voted out of committee without recommendation and that the names of the appointees will be inserted by amendment when the full Council takes up the motions.

BACKGROUND

The Council has placed on the November 2010 general election ballot two proposed charter amendments. The proposed charter amendments are:

- The **Campaign Finance Reporting charter amendment** (Ordinance 2009-0496), which would modify the charter requirement that reports of campaign receipts and expenditures be filed locally with King County Elections; the amendment would provide that the charter filing requirement is satisfied by filing the same campaign finance reports with the State Public Disclosure Commission, which places the reports online, where the public can access them; and
- The **Unincorporated Areas Representation charter amendment** (Ordinance 2010-0328), which would amend the Charter Preamble to (1) recognize the county's role as both a regional and a local government, (2) emphasize the county's responsibility to both urban and rural areas of the county, and (3) make clear that the county's concern extends to the county's economy as well as its environment.

RCW 29A.32.280 (p. 11 of these materials) provides that for each measure from a unit of local government that is included in a local voters' pamphlet, the legislative authority of

that jurisdiction shall formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating voter approval of the measure and a committee to prepare arguments advocating voter rejection of the measure.

THE MOTIONS

Proposed Motion 2010-0408 (pp. 3-5 of these materials) would appoint pro-con committees for the Campaign Finance Reporting charter amendment (Ordinance 2009-0496).

Proposed Motion 2009-0411 (pp. 7-9 of these materials) would appoint committees for the Unincorporated Areas Representation charter amendment (Ordinance 2010-0328).

AMENDMENTS TO BE MADE IN COUNCIL

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INVITEES

1. None.

ATTACHMENTS

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KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

July 19, 2010

Motion

Proposed No. 2010-0408.1

Sponsors Lambert

1 A MOTION appointing committees to write the voters'
2 pamphlet statements for and against the charter amendment
3 placed on the ballot by Ordinance _____ (Proposed
4 Ordinance 2009-0496) for the November 2, 2010, election.

5 WHEREAS, K.C.C. chapter 1.10 provides for the publication and distribution of
6 local voters' pamphlets in conformity with the provisions of chapter 29A.32 RCW for
7 annual general elections held in King County, and

8 WHEREAS, RCW 29A.32.280 provides that for each measure from a unit of
9 local government that is included in a local voters' pamphlet, the legislative authority of
10 that jurisdiction shall formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating
11 voter approval of the measure and a committee to prepare arguments advocating voter
12 rejection of the measure, and

13 WHEREAS, Ordinance _____ (Proposed Ordinance 2009-0496), passed by the
14 council on July __, 2010, provided for submission to the voters at the November 2, 2010,
15 general election of a charter amendment that would: (1) amend Section 690 of the King
16 County Charter to specify that timely filing of a statement of campaign receipts and
17 expenditures with the Washington state Public Disclosure Commission in accordance
18 with chapter 42.17 RCW satisfies the filing obligations of Section 690 of the King

19 County Charter; and (2) make technical corrections to Section 690 of the King County
20 Charter;

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

22 Pursuant to RCW 29A.32.280, the following individuals are appointed to serve on
23 the voters' pamphlet committees for the charter amendment proposed in Ordinance _____
24 (Proposed Ordinance 2009-0496), each committee to write a statement for or against the
25 proposed amendment, for the 2010 general election:

26 FOR

27 1. _____

28 2. _____

29 3. _____

30 AGAINST

31 1. _____

Motion

32 2. _____

33 3. _____

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KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Robert W. Ferguson, Chair

ATTEST:

Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this ____ day of _____, _____.

Dow Constantine, County Executive

Attachments: None

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Motion

Proposed No. 2010-0411.1

Sponsors Hague

1 A MOTION appointing committees to write the voters'
2 pamphlet statements for and against the charter amendment
3 placed on the ballot by Ordinance _____ (Proposed
4 Ordinance 2010-0328) for the November 2, 2010, election.

5 WHEREAS, K.C.C. chapter 1.10 provides for the publication and distribution of
6 local voters' pamphlets in conformity with the provisions of chapter 29A.32 RCW for
7 annual general elections held in King County, and

8 WHEREAS, RCW 29A.32.280 provides that for each measure from a unit of
9 local government that is included in a local voters' pamphlet, the legislative authority of
10 that jurisdiction shall formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating
11 voter approval of the measure and a committee to prepare arguments advocating voter
12 rejection of the measure, and

13 WHEREAS, Ordinance _____ (Proposed Ordinance 2010-0328), passed by the
14 council on July __, 2010, provided for submission to the voters at the November 2, 2010,
15 general election of a charter amendment that would amend the Preamble of the King
16 County Charter to specify the local and regional role of county government and clarify
17 the purposes of county government;

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

19 Pursuant to RCW 29A.32.280, the following individuals are appointed to serve on
20 the voters' pamphlet committees for the charter amendment proposed in Ordinance _____
21 (Proposed Ordinance 2010-0328), each committee to write a statement for or against the
22 proposed amendment, for the 2010 general election:

23 FOR

24 1. _____

25 2. _____

26 3. _____

27 AGAINST

28 1. _____

Motion

29 2. _____

30 3. _____

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KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Robert W. Ferguson, Chair

ATTEST:

Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this ____ day of _____, _____.

Dow Constantine, County Executive

Attachments: None

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RCW 29A.32.280

Arguments advocating approval or disapproval — Preparation by committees.

For each measure from a unit of local government that is included in a local voters' pamphlet, the legislative authority of that jurisdiction shall, not later than forty-five days before the publication of the pamphlet, formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating voters' approval of the measure and shall formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating voters' rejection of the measure. The authority shall appoint persons known to favor the measure to serve on the committee advocating approval and shall, whenever possible, appoint persons known to oppose the measure to serve on the committee advocating rejection. Each committee shall have not more than three members, however, a committee may seek the advice of any person or persons. If the legislative authority of a unit of local government fails to make such appointments by the prescribed deadline, the county auditor shall whenever possible make the appointments.

[2003 c 111 § 820. Prior: 1994 c 191 § 2; 1984 c 106 § 10. Formerly RCW 29.81A.080.]