



KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

January 9, 2007

Ordinance 15671

Proposed No. 2007-0032.2

Sponsors Ferguson, Hague and Lambert

1 AN ORDINANCE waiving certain statutory and code
2 requirements relating to the citizen engagement process to
3 development countywide priorities; and declaring an
4 emergency.

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7 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

8 **SECTION 1. Findings:**

9 A. The metropolitan King County council's adopted 2007 budget identified
10 priorities for people that are designed to earn public trust, to enhance the quality of life
11 and to protect public health and safety.

12 B. The metropolitan King County council included in the 2007 budget an
13 initiative to earn public trust that would engage county citizens through workshops and
14 other means in developing countywide priorities for their county government.

15 The report from this citizen engagement process will guide alignment of county
16 services to these priorities and will be adopted as a policy directive for development of
17 the executive's proposed 2008 budget.

18 C. The metropolitan King County council wishes to secure a contract with an
19 independent consultant to help in the conduct of this citizen engagement process by
20 conducting focus groups/workshops with randomly selected citizens. The work of the
21 focus groups/workshops will be used to provide guidance to the council on the citizens'
22 2008 budget priorities.

23 D. An emergency waiver of competitive bidding and formal solicitation
24 requirements of state and county law is necessary in order to expedite selection of the
25 consultant to assure that the results of the citizen engagement process are available in a
26 timely manner to inform the executive as he prepares his proposed budget for 2008, and
27 to provide citizen-based policy direction and budget priorities to the council during their
28 2008 budget deliberations.

29 E. It is the intent of the council to encourage participation of women and
30 minority-owned business enterprises in securing such a contract to honor the spirit of
31 K.C.C. chapter 4.18 to the fullest extent possible.

32 SECTION 2. The requirements for competitive bidding and formal solicitation of
33 services under chapters 36.32, 39.80 and 39.10 RCW and K.C.C. chapters 4.04, 4.16,
34 4.18, 12.16 and 12.18 are hereby waived with reference to any contracts relating to the
35 independent consultant to conduct this citizen involvement process. This waiver expires
36 upon completion of this project.

37 SECTION 3. For the reasons set forth in section 1 of this ordinance, the county
38 council finds as a fact and declares that an emergency exists due to the imminent

39 timelines required for this citizen process, and that this ordinance is necessary for the
40 immediate preservation of the peace, health, safety and welfare of the public.
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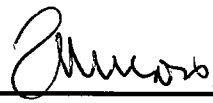
Ordinance 15671 was introduced on 1/8/2007 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 1/8/2007, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Mr. Gossett, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Hague and Mr. Constantine
No: 0
Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Larry Gossett, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

Attachments None