



# KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

## Signature Report

### Ordinance

**Proposed No.** 2024-0236.1

**Sponsors** Balducci and Zahilay

1           AN ORDINANCE approving the King County Doors Open  
2           Program implementation plan, required by Ordinance  
3           19710, Section 9, to govern the expenditure of the cultural  
4           access sales and use tax from 2024 through 2031 to achieve  
5           outcomes related to public and educational benefits and  
6           economic support for arts, science, and heritage  
7           organizations.

8           STATEMENT OF FACTS:

- 9           1. The Washington state Legislature declared in RCW 36.160.010 that  
10          there is a need to provide public and educational benefits and economic  
11          support for arts, science, and heritage organizations.
- 12          2. The King County council, through Ordinance 19710, created the Doors  
13          Open Program to support arts, science, and heritage organizations, and  
14          approved a new one-tenth of one percent sales tax to fund the Doors Open  
15          Program.
- 16          3. Ordinance 19710, Section 9, requires the executive, in consultation  
17          with 4Culture, to transmit the implementation plan and an ordinance to  
18          approve the plan to the council no later than July 15, 2024. The  
19          implementation plan, once effective, will govern the expenditure of the

20 sales and use tax's proceeds until the tax expires in 2031. The required  
21 implementation plan is Attachment A to this ordinance.

22 4. Ordinance 19710, Section 9, enumerates specific requirements for the  
23 implementation plan. The Doors Open Program Implementation Plan for  
24 2024-2031, dated XXX, 2024, Attachment A to this ordinance, responds  
25 to the requirements set out by Ordinance 19710 Section 9, by: itemizing  
26 start-up funding costs incurred or to be incurred by 4Culture and the  
27 county; establishing guidelines for eligible expenditures for each Doors  
28 Open Program element; providing detailed program descriptions of the  
29 elements of the Doors Open Program and a framework for 4Culture  
30 administration of these programs; and providing a timeline for the Doors  
31 Open Program Assessment Report that will address the effectiveness of  
32 the Doors Open Program funding.

33 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

34 SECTION 1. The Doors Open Program Implementation Plan for 2024-2031,  
35 dated, XXX, 2024, Attachment A to this ordinance is hereby approved to govern the

- 36 expenditure of the cultural access sales and use tax proceeds as authorized under
- 37 Ordinance 19710.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Dave Upthegrove, Chair

ATTEST:

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Melani Pedroza, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

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Dow Constantine, County Executive

**Attachments:** A. Doors Open Implementation Plan