



## King County

### **Dow Constantine**

King County Executive  
401 Fifth Avenue, Suite 800  
Seattle, WA 98104-1818

**206-263-9600** Fax 206-296-0194  
TTY Relay: 711  
[www.kingcounty.gov](http://www.kingcounty.gov)

January 14, 2022

The Honorable Claudia Balducci  
Chair, King County Council  
Room 1200  
C O U R T H O U S E

Dear Councilmember Balducci:

As called for by Motion 15955 and Ordinance 19364, please find the enclosed report.

This report addresses plans for assessing and addressing safety concerns relating to City Hall Park and the King County Courthouse in downtown Seattle. This report also addresses a proviso in Ordinance 19364 related to placement of a hygiene center in the vicinity of City Hall Park.

I am very appreciative that on December 14, 2021 the King County Council passed Ordinance 19379 authorizing me to execute a land transfer with the City of Seattle to acquire City Hall Park.<sup>1</sup> As of the writing of this report, the Seattle City Council has yet to authorize the land transfer but I am hopeful this will happen soon. The transfer of ownership of the property from the City of Seattle to King County is a critical step for King County to undertake long term planning and implementation for the Courthouse vicinity and City Hall Park.

The attached report was developed by the Facilities Management Division and the Department of Executive Services Director's Office. This report includes information from the City of Seattle, consultants, and neighboring agencies.

This report furthers the efficient, accountable regional and local government goal of the King County Strategic Plan.

The enclosed report took approximately 90 hours to prepare for an estimated cost of \$12,930.

---

<sup>1</sup> Ordinance 19379 [\[Link\]](#)

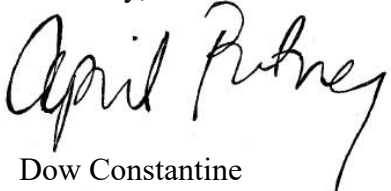
The Honorable Claudia Balducci

January 14, 2022

Page 2

If your staff have any questions, please contact Anthony Wright, Director, Facilities Management Division, at 206-477-9352.

Sincerely,

 for

Dow Constantine  
King County Executive

Enclosure

cc: King County Councilmembers  
ATTN: Janine Weihe, Acting Chief of Staff  
Melani Pedroza, Clerk of the Council  
Shannon Braddock, Chief of Staff, Office of the Executive  
Karan Gill, Deputy Chief of Staff, Office of the Executive  
Mina Hashemi, Director, Council Relations, Office of the Executive  
Caroline Whalen, County Administrative Officer, Department of Executive Services  
(DES)  
Anthony Wright, Director, Facilities Management Division, DES