

**AMENDMENT MATRIX FOR PO 2022-0399 – CRISIS CARE CENTERS LEVY  
REGIONAL POLICY COMMITTEE  
JANUARY 11, 2023**

<b>No.</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Pg. &amp; Line No.</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Amendment Concept</b>
<b>S1</b>	N/A	von Reichbauer	Makes various technical corrections and clarifications
<b>1</b> to S1	Pg. 9, line 184	Zahilay	Restores language from transmitted ordinance and adds clarity
<b>2</b> to S1	Pg. 16, line 342	von Reichbauer	Senior/disabled property tax exemption program admin costs
<b>3</b> to S1	Pg. 18, line 387	Backus	Annual reporting and zip code data
<b>T1</b>	Pg. 1, line 17	von Reichbauer	Aligns the title with the body of the ordinance as amended by S1

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1    **STRIKING AMENDMENT TO PROPOSED ORDINANCE 2022-0399, VERSION**

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3    Beginning on page 1, line 19, strike everything through page 21, line 433, and insert:

4        "STATEMENT OF FACTS:

5            1. King County's behavioral health crisis service system relies heavily on  
6            phone support and outreach services, with very few options of places for  
7            persons to go for immediate, life-saving care when in crisis.

8            2. As of September 2022, the Crisis Solutions Center, operated by  
9            Downtown Emergency Service Center and requiring mobile team, first  
10           responder or hospital referral for entry, is the only voluntary behavioral  
11           health crisis facility for the entirety of King County, and no walk-in urgent  
12           care behavioral health facility exists in King County.

13           3. A coalition of community leaders and behavioral health providers  
14           issued recommendations to Seattle and King County in an October 13,  
15           2021, letter that included recommendations to "expand places for people  
16           in crisis to receive immediate support" and "expand crisis response and  
17           post-crisis follow up services."

- 18 4. Call volume to King County's regional behavioral health crisis line  
19 increased by 25 percent between 2019 and 2021, from 82,523 calls in  
20 2019 to 102,754 calls in 2021.
- 21 5. The number of persons per year who received community-based  
22 behavioral health crisis response services in King County increased 146  
23 percent between 2012 and 2021, from 1,764 persons served in 2012 to  
24 4,336 persons served in 2021.
- 25 6. Referrals for mobile crisis outreach in King County grew 15 percent  
26 between 2019 and 2021, from 4,030 referrals in 2019 to 4,648 referrals in  
27 2021.
- 28 7. King County's designated crisis responders conducted 14 percent more  
29 investigations for involuntary behavioral health treatment in 2021, when  
30 they investigated 9,189 cases, than in 2017 when they investigated 8,066  
31 cases. There was a 10 percent increase in detentions or revocations for  
32 involuntary hospitalization during that same period, from 4,387 in 2017 to  
33 4,806 in 2021.
- 34 8. The wait time for a King County resident in behavioral health crisis in  
35 a community setting to be evaluated for involuntary behavioral health  
36 treatment tripled between January 2019 and June 2022, from 4 days to 12  
37 days.
- 38 9. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services reported that in  
39 August 2022, the first full month that the new national 988 Suicide and  
40 Crisis Lifeline was operational, the overall volume of calls, texts and chats

41 to the Lifeline increased by 152,000 contacts, or 45 percent, compared to  
42 the number of contacts to the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline in  
43 August 2021.

44 10. The federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services  
45 Administration's ("SAMHSA's") National Guidelines for Behavioral  
46 Health Crisis Care, and its vision for the implementation of the new  
47 national 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, call for the development of safe  
48 places for persons in crisis to go for help as part of a robust behavioral  
49 health crisis system.

50 11. In 2021, the Washington state Legislature passed Engrossed Second  
51 Substitute House Bill 1477, which became Chapter 302, Laws of  
52 Washington 2021, to support implementation of 988 in Washington, to  
53 further SAMHSA's overall vision and build on the crisis phone line  
54 change by expanding and transforming crisis services.

55 12. RCW 71.24.025 defines crisis stabilization services to mean services  
56 such as 23-hour crisis stabilization units based on the living room model,  
57 crisis stabilization centers, short-term respite facilities, peer-operated  
58 respite services, and behavioral health urgent care walk-in centers,  
59 including within the overall crisis system components that operate like  
60 hospital emergency departments and accept all walk-ins, and ambulance,  
61 fire, and police drop-offs. Chapter 302, Laws of Washington 2021 further  
62 expressed the state legislature's intent to expand the behavioral health  
63 crisis delivery system to include these components.

64 13. Multiple behavioral health system needs assessments have identified  
65 the addition of crisis facilities as top priorities to improve community-  
66 based crisis services in King County. Such assessments include the 2016  
67 recommendations of the Community Alternatives to Boarding Task Force  
68 called for by Motion 14225, a Washington state Office of Financial  
69 Management behavioral health capital funding prioritization and  
70 feasibility study in 2018, and a Washington state Health Care Authority  
71 crisis triage and stabilization capacity and gaps report in 2019.

72 14. King County is losing mental health residential treatment capacity that  
73 is essential for persons who need more intensive supports to live safely in  
74 the community due to rising operating costs and aging facilities that need  
75 repair or replacement. As of August 2022, King County had a total of 244  
76 mental health residential beds for the entire county, down 111 beds, or  
77 nearly one third, from the capacity in 2018 of 355 beds.

78 15. As of July 2022, King County residents who need mental health  
79 residential services must wait an average of 44 days before they are able to  
80 be placed in a residential facility.

81 16. Data from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the  
82 U.S. Census Bureau and the Kaiser Family Foundation show that  
83 about three in ten adults in the United States reported symptoms of anxiety  
84 or depressive disorder in June 2022, up from one in ten adults who  
85 reported these symptoms in 2019.

86 17. The National Council for Mental Wellbeing's 2022 access to care  
87 survey found that 43 percent of U.S. adults who say they need mental  
88 health or substance use care did not receive that care, and they face  
89 numerous barriers to accessing and receiving needed treatment.

90 18. According to the Washington state Department of Social and Health  
91 Services, the number of Medicaid enrollees in King County with an  
92 identified mental health need increased by approximately 34 percent for  
93 adults and nine percent for youth between 2019 and 2021.

94 19. The Washington state Department of Social and Health Services  
95 reports that in 2021, among those enrolled in Medicaid in King County,  
96 nearly half of adults and over a third of youth with an identified mental  
97 health need did not receive treatment.

98 20. The Washington state Department of Social Health Services reports  
99 that in 2021, among those enrolled in Medicaid in King County,  
100 approximately 62 percent of adults and 80 percent of youth with an  
101 identified substance use disorder need did not receive treatment.

102 21. SAMHSA's National Guidelines for Behavioral Health Crisis Care  
103 recommend including peers with lived experience of mental health  
104 conditions or substance use disorders on crisis response teams. Those  
105 guidelines also feature the living room model as an example of crisis  
106 service delivery innovation featuring peers.

107 22. The 2021 King County nonprofit wage and benefits survey showed  
108 that many nonprofit employees delivering critical services earn wages at

109 levels that make it difficult to sustain a career doing community-based  
110 work in this region.

111 23. A 2021 King County survey of member organizations of the King  
112 County Integrated Care Network found that job vacancies at these  
113 community behavioral health agencies were at least double what they were  
114 in 2019. Providers cited professionals' ability to earn more in medical  
115 systems or private practice, and the high cost of living in the King County  
116 region, as the top reasons their workers were leaving community  
117 behavioral healthcare.

118 24. The behavioral health workforce advisory committee to the state of  
119 Washington's Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board  
120 found in 2021 that Washington continues to face a shortage of behavioral  
121 health professionals, while demand for services, and qualified workers to  
122 deliver them, continues to grow. The advisory committee also found that  
123 workers need increased financial support and incentives to remain in  
124 community behavioral health care.

125 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

126 SECTION 1. Definitions. The definitions in this section apply throughout this  
127 ordinance unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

128 A. "Crisis care center" means a single facility or a group of facilities that provide  
129 same-day access to multiple types of behavioral health crisis stabilization services, which  
130 may include, but are not limited to, those described in RCW 71.24.025(20), as amended.  
131 A crisis care center shall endeavor to accept at least for initial screening and triage any

132 person who seeks behavioral health crisis care. Among the types of behavioral health  
133 crisis stabilization services that a crisis care center shall provide are a behavioral health  
134 urgent care clinic that offers walk-in and drop-off client screening and triage twenty-four  
135 hours per day, seven days per week; access to onsite assessment by a designated crisis  
136 responder; a twenty-three-hour observation unit or similar facility and service that allows  
137 for short-term, onsite stabilization of a person experiencing a behavioral health crisis; and  
138 a crisis stabilization unit that provides short-term, onsite behavioral health treatment for  
139 up to fourteen days or a similar short-term behavioral health treatment facility and  
140 service. A crisis care center shall be staffed by a multidisciplinary team that includes  
141 peer counselors. A crisis care center may incorporate pre-existing facilities that provide  
142 crisis stabilization services so long as their services and operations are compatible with  
143 this definition. Where a crisis care center is composed of more than one facility, those  
144 facilities shall either be geographically adjacent or shall have transportation provided  
145 between them to allow persons using or seeking service to conveniently move between  
146 facilities.

147 B. "Designated crisis responder" has the same meaning as in RCW 71.05.020, as  
148 amended.

149 C. "King County crisis response zone" means each of four geographic subregions  
150 of King County:

151 1. North King County crisis response zone, which is the portion of King County  
152 within the boundaries of the cities of Bothell, Duvall, Kenmore, Kirkland, Lake Forest  
153 Park, Shoreline, Skykomish and Woodinville, plus the unincorporated areas within King



154 County council district three as it is drawn on the effective date of this ordinance that are  
155 north or northeast of the city of Redmond;

156           2. Central King County crisis response zone, which is the portion of King  
157 County within the boundaries of the city of Seattle, plus all unincorporated areas within  
158 King County council districts two and eight as they are drawn on the effective date of this  
159 ordinance;

160           3. South King County crisis response zone, which is the portion of King County  
161 within the boundaries of the cities of Algona, Auburn, Black Diamond, Burien,  
162 Covington, Des Moines, Enumclaw, Federal Way, Kent, Maple Valley, Milton,  
163 Normandy Park, Pacific, Renton, SeaTac and Tukwila, plus all unincorporated areas  
164 within King County council districts five, seven and nine as they are drawn on the  
165 effective date of this ordinance; and

166           4. East King County crisis response zone, which is the portion of King County  
167 within the boundaries of the cities of Beaux Arts, Bellevue, Carnation, Clyde Hill, Hunts  
168 Point, Issaquah, Medina, Mercer Island, Newcastle, North Bend, Redmond, Sammamish,  
169 Snoqualmie and Yarrow Point, plus the unincorporated areas within King County council  
170 district three as it is drawn on the effective date of this ordinance that are east or  
171 southeast of the city of Redmond, plus all unincorporated areas within King County  
172 council district six as it is drawn on the effective date of this ordinance.

173           D. "Levy" means the levy of regular property taxes for the specific purposes and  
174 term provided in this ordinance and authorized by the electorate in accordance with state  
175 law.

176 E. "Levy proceeds" means the principal amount of moneys raised by the levy and  
177 any interest earnings on the moneys and the proceeds of any interim or other financing  
178 following authorization of the levy.

179 F. "Regional behavioral health services and capital facilities" means programs,  
180 services, activities, operations, staffing and capital facilities that: promote mental health  
181 and wellbeing and that treat substance use disorders and mental health conditions;  
182 promote integrated physical and behavioral health; promote and provide therapeutic  
183 responses to behavioral health crises; promote equitable and inclusive access to mental  
184 health and substance use disorder services, including capital facilities for racial, ethnic,  
185 experiential and geographic communities that experience disparities in mental health and  
186 substance use disorder conditions and outcomes; build the capacity of mental health and  
187 substance use disorder service providers to improve the effectiveness, efficiency, and  
188 equity, of their services and operations; provide transportation to care for persons  
189 receiving, seeking, or in need, of mental health or substance use disorder services;  
190 promote housing stability for persons receiving or leaving care from a facility providing  
191 mental health or substance use disorder services; promote service and response  
192 coordination, data sharing, and data integration amongst first responders, mental health  
193 and substance use disorder providers, and King County staff; promote community  
194 participation in levy activities, including payment of stipends to persons with relevant  
195 lived experience who participate in levy activities whose employment does not already  
196 compensate them for such participation; administer, coordinate and evaluate levy  
197 activities; apply for federal, state and philanthropic moneys and assistance to supplement

198 levy proceeds; and promote stability and sustainability of the behavioral health  
199 workforce.

200 G. "Residential treatment" means a licensed, community-based facility that  
201 provides twenty-four-hour on-site care for persons with mental health conditions,  
202 substance use disorders, or both, in a residential setting.

203 H. "Strategy" means a program, service, activity, initiative or capital investment  
204 intended to achieve the purposes described in section 4 of this ordinance.

205 I. "Technical assistance and capacity building" means assisting organizations in  
206 applying for grants funded by the levy and in implementing and improving delivery of a  
207 strategy or strategies for which levy moneys are eligible, and includes assisting  
208 community-based organizations in delivery of strategies to persons and communities that  
209 are disproportionately impacted by behavioral health conditions.

210 **SECTION 2. Levy submittal.** To provide necessary moneys to fund, finance or  
211 refinance the purposes identified in section 4 of this ordinance, the King County council  
212 shall submit to the qualified electors of the county a proposition authorizing a regular  
213 property tax levy in excess of the levy limitation contained in chapter 84.55 RCW for  
214 nine consecutive years, with collection commencing in 2024, at a rate not to exceed  
215 \$0.145 per one thousand dollars of assessed value in the first year of the levy period. The  
216 dollar amount of the levy in the first year shall be the base upon which the maximum  
217 allowable levy amounts in years two through nine (2025-2032) shall be calculated using  
218 the limit factor in chapter 84.55 RCW, as amended.

219 **SECTION 3. Deposit of levy proceeds.** The levy proceeds shall be deposited  
220 into the crisis care centers fund, or its successor.

221            SECTION 4. Levy purposes.

222            A. The paramount purpose of the levy shall be to establish and operate a regional  
223 network of five crisis care centers in King County, with each of the four King County  
224 crisis response zones containing at least one crisis care center and at least one of the five  
225 crisis care centers specializing in serving persons younger than nineteen years old.

226            B. The levy's supporting purpose one shall be to restore the number of mental  
227 health residential treatment beds in King County to at least three hundred fifty-five beds  
228 and to expand the availability and sustainability of residential treatment in King County.

229            C. The levy's supporting purpose two shall be to increase the sustainability and  
230 representativeness of the behavioral health workforce in King County by increasing  
231 recruitment and retention, and by improving financial sustainability for the behavioral  
232 health workforce through increased wages, apprenticeship programming and, where  
233 possible, reduction of costs such as costs of insurance, child care, caregiving and fees or  
234 tuition associated with behavioral health training and certification.

235            D. The levy implementation plan required by section 7 of this ordinance may  
236 specify additional supporting purposes so long as those additional supporting purposes  
237 are not inconsistent with and are subordinate to the paramount purpose and supporting  
238 purposes one and two described in subsections A. through C. of this section.

239            SECTION 5. Eligible expenditures.

240            A. If approved by the qualified electors of the county, such sums from the first  
241 year's levy proceeds as are necessary may be used to provide for the costs and charges  
242 incurred by the county that are attributable to the election, and an amount from the first

243 year's levy proceeds not to exceed one million dollars may be used for initial levy  
244 implementation planning activities.

245 B. After the amounts authorized in subsection A. of this section, the remaining  
246 levy proceeds shall not be expended until King County enacts an ordinance adopting the  
247 implementation plan required by section 7 of this ordinance. The council's process to  
248 consider and adopt the levy implementation plan and any amendments shall include  
249 mandatory referral to the regional policy committee or its successor. After King County  
250 enacts an ordinance adopting the levy implementation plan, levy proceeds shall be  
251 expended in accordance with the implementation plan, as amended, and with this  
252 ordinance.

253 C. Levy proceeds described in subsection B. of this section shall only be used to  
254 fund, finance or refinance costs to:

255 1. Plan, site, construct, acquire, restore, maintain, operate, implement, staff,  
256 coordinate, administer and evaluate regional behavioral health services and capital  
257 facilities that achieve and maintain the paramount purpose, supporting purpose one, and  
258 supporting purpose two of the levy that are described in section 4. and as they may be  
259 further described in the implementation plan;

260 2. Plan, site, construct, acquire, restore, maintain, operate, implement, staff,  
261 coordinate, administer and evaluate regional behavioral health services and capital  
262 facilities that achieve additional levy purposes that are included in the implementation  
263 plan, so long as those purposes are subordinate to and not inconsistent with the  
264 paramount purpose and supporting purposes one and two; and

265           3. Provide for regional behavioral health services and capital facilities provided  
266 by metropolitan park districts, fire districts or local public hospital districts in King  
267 County in an amount up to the lost revenues to the individual district resulting from  
268 prorationing, as mandated by RCW 84.52.010, to the extent the levy was a demonstrable  
269 cause of the prorationing and only if the county council has authorized the expenditure by  
270 ordinance.

271           D. Unless made otherwise eligible in subsection C. of this section, levy proceeds  
272 shall not be used to provide, supplant, replace or expand funding for non-behavioral  
273 health purposes including, but not limited to, jails, prisons, courts of law, criminal  
274 prosecution, criminal defense or law enforcement, except for costs that provide or  
275 coordinate regional behavioral health services and capital facilities within or between  
276 crisis care centers and other health care settings or that remove or reduce a barrier to  
277 receiving behavioral health services such as quashing a warrant. Nothing in this  
278 subsection shall be interpreted or construed to limit, discourage, or impede law  
279 enforcement agencies' or other first responders' coordination with, use of and access to  
280 crisis care centers for persons they encounter in the conduct of their duties.

281           SECTION 6. Call for special election. In accordance with RCW 29A.04.321,  
282 the King County council hereby calls for a special election to be held on April 25, 2023,  
283 to consider a proposition authorizing a regular property tax levy for the purposes  
284 described in this ordinance. The King County director of elections shall cause notice to  
285 be given of this ordinance in accordance with the state constitution and general law and  
286 to submit to the qualified electors of the county, at the said special county election, the

287 proposition hereinafter set forth. The clerk of the council shall certify that proposition to  
288 the director of elections in substantially the following form:

289 PROPOSITION\_\_\_: The King County Council passed Ordinance \_\_\_\_\_  
290 concerning funding for mental health and substance use disorder services.  
291 If approved, this proposition would fund behavioral health services and  
292 capital facilities, including a countywide crisis care centers network,  
293 increased residential treatment; mobile crisis care; post-discharge  
294 stabilization; and workforce supports. It would authorize an additional  
295 nine-year property tax levy for collection beginning in 2024 at \$0.145 per  
296 \$1,000 of assessed valuation, with the 2024 levy amount being the base  
297 for calculating annual increases in 2025-2032 under chapter 84.55 RCW,  
298 and exempt eligible seniors, veterans, and disabled persons under RCW  
299 84.36.381. Should this proposition be:

300 Approved? \_\_\_\_\_

301 Rejected? \_\_\_\_\_

302 **SECTION 7. Implementation plan.**

303 A. If voters approve the levy, the executive shall transmit by December 31, 2023,  
304 a proposed levy implementation plan for council review and adoption by ordinance. The  
305 proposed implementation plan shall direct levy expenditures from 2024 through 2032.

306 B. The executive shall electronically file the implementation plan required in  
307 subsection A. of this section with the clerk of the council, who shall retain the original  
308 and provide an electronic copy to all councilmembers, the council chief of staff, the  
309 policy staff director and the lead staff for the law, justice, health and human services

310 committee and the regional policy committee, or their successors. The implementation  
311 plan shall be accompanied by proposed ordinances that adopt the implementation plan  
312 and that establish or empower the advisory body, the description of which is set forth in  
313 subsection C.9. of this section.

314 C. The implementation plan required in subsection A. shall include:

315 1. A list and descriptions of the purposes of the levy, which must at least include  
316 and may not materially impede accomplishment of the paramount purpose and supporting  
317 purposes one and two described in section 4 of this ordinance;

318 2. A list and descriptions of strategies and allowable activities to achieve the  
319 purposes described in subsection C.1. of this section, which strategies shall at least  
320 include:

321 a. planning, capital, operations and services investments for crisis care centers,  
322 which may include construction of new or acquisition, renovation, updating or expanding  
323 existing buildings in whole or in part;

324 b. capital and maintenance investments for mental health residential treatment  
325 capacity;

326 c. investments to increase attraction to, retention in, and sustainability of the  
327 behavioral health workforce;

328 d. establishment and maintenance of levy and capital reserves to promote  
329 continuity of levy-funded activities and prioritization of the paramount purpose and then  
330 supporting purposes one and two in the event of fluctuations in levy revenue or strategy  
331 costs;



- 332 e. activities that promote post-crisis stabilization, including housing stability,  
333 for persons receiving or discharging from levy-funded services;
- 334 f. a plan for the initial period of the levy prior to initiation of operations of the  
335 first crisis care center for the provision of mobile and site-based behavioral health  
336 activities that promote access to behavioral health services for persons experiencing or at  
337 risk of a behavioral health crisis;
- 338 g. technical assistance and capacity building for organizations applying for or  
339 receiving levy funding, including a strategy or strategies to promote inclusive care at  
340 levy-funded facilities for racial, ethnic and other demographic groups that experience  
341 disproportionate rates of behavioral health conditions in King County;
- 342 h. levy administration activities and activities that monitor and promote  
343 coordination, more effective crisis response, and quality of care within and amongst crisis  
344 care centers, other behavioral health crisis response services in King County, and first  
345 responders; and
- 346 i. performance measurement and evaluation activities;
- 347 3. A financial plan to direct the use of the proceeds for regional behavioral  
348 health services and capital facilities that achieve the purposes and strategies described in  
349 subsection C.1. and 2. of this section, which must at a minimum include:
- 350 a. the forecast of annual revenue for each year of the levy;
- 351 b. an annual expenditure plan for each year of the levy that allocates forecasted  
352 levy proceeds among the levy's strategies;

353 c. a description of the sequence and timing of planned expenditures and  
354 activities to establish and operate the regional network of five crisis care centers required  
355 to satisfy the levy's paramount purpose; and

356 d. a description of how a portion of first-year levy proceeds will be allocated to  
357 make rapid initial progress towards fulfilling supporting purposes one and two;

358 4. A description of how the executive will seek and incorporate when available  
359 federal, state, philanthropic and other moneys that are not proceeds of the levy to  
360 accelerate, enhance, compliment or sustain accomplishment the levy's paramount purpose  
361 and supporting purposes one and two;

362 5. A description of the executive's assumptions about the role of Medicaid  
363 funding in the financial plan and the executive's planned approach to billing eligible crisis  
364 care services to Medicaid or other sources of potential payment such as private insurance;

365 6. A description of the process by which King County and partner cities shall  
366 collaborate to support siting of new capital facilities that use proceeds from the levy for  
367 such facilities' construction or acquisition;

368 7. A summary of the process and key findings of the community and  
369 stakeholder engagement process that informs the proposed implementation plan;

370 8. A process to make substantial adjustments to the financial plan required in  
371 subsection C.3. of this section, which process shall require notice to the council and  
372 provide for the council the ability to stop any substantial adjustment that the council does  
373 not support;

374 9. A description of the composition, duties of, and process to establish the  
375 advisory body for the levy. The advisory body may be a preexisting King County board

376 or commission that has relevant expertise or a new advisory body. The composition of  
377 the advisory body shall be demographically representative of the population of King  
378 County and shall include at least one resident of each King County crisis response zone,  
379 persons who have previously received crisis stabilization services, and persons with  
380 professional training and experience in the provision of behavioral health crisis care. The  
381 duties of the advisory body shall include advising the executive and council on matters  
382 pertaining to implementation of the levy, annually visiting each existing crisis care center  
383 and reporting annually to the council and community, through online annual reports  
384 beginning in 2025, on the levy's progress over the previous year towards accomplishing  
385 the levy purposes described in section 4 of this ordinance and on the levy's actual  
386 financial expenditures in the previous year relative to the financial plan required in  
387 subsection C.3. of this section;

388           10. A description of how the executive shall provide each online annual report  
389 described in subsection C.9. of this section to the clerk of the council, to all  
390 councilmembers and all members and alternate members of the regional policy  
391 committee, or its successor, including confirmation that the executive shall electronically  
392 file a proposed motion that shall acknowledge receipt of the report; and

393           11. A description of how the purpose of the crisis response zones described in  
394 this levy will promote geographic distribution of crisis care centers so that they are  
395 accessible for walk-in and drop-off crisis care throughout King County, but that the crisis  
396 care zones shall not be used to limit the ability of any person in King County to use any  
397 particular crisis care center.

398            **SECTION 8. Updating the definition of crisis care center.** If new research,  
399 changing best practices, updated federal or state regulations or other evidence-based  
400 factors cause this ordinance's definition of "crisis care center" to become infeasible,  
401 impracticable or inconsistent with the levy's paramount purpose, King County may, upon  
402 recommendation of the advisory body described in section 7.C.9. of this ordinance and  
403 with mandatory referral to the regional policy committee, update the definition of "crisis  
404 care center" through adoption of an ordinance to a definition substantially similar to what  
405 is recommended by the advisory body.

406            **SECTION 9. Exemption.** The additional regular property taxes authorized by  
407 this ordinance shall be included in any real property tax exemption authorized by RCW  
408 84.36.381.

409            **SECTION 10. Ratification and confirmation.** Certification of the proposition  
410 by the clerk of the county council to the director of elections in accordance with law  
411 before the special election on April 25, 2023, and any other act consistent with the  
412 authority and before the effective date of this ordinance are hereby ratified and  
413 confirmed.

414            **SECTION 11. Severability.** If any provision of this ordinance or its application  
415 to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance or the  
416 application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected."

417 **EFFECT prepared by M. Leskinen & W. Soo Hoo: Updates the ballot language in**  
418 **section 6 to include reference to the property tax exemptions authorized by RCW**  
419 **84.36.381, clarifies that levy proceeds may be used for financing or refinancing, and**  
420 **makes other technical corrections and clarifications.**



- 18 **EFFECT prepared by *M. Leskinen*: *Would restore original language or concepts***
- 19 ***from the transmitted ordinance and add clarity pursuant to Executive request.***







**T1**

1/11/2023

Title Amendment for S1

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1 **TITLE AMENDMENT TO PROPOSED ORDINANCE 2022-0399, VERSION 1**

2 On page 1, line 17, after "stabilization;" insert "to pay, finance or refinance costs of those  
3 projects;"

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5 **EFFECT prepared by *W. Soo Hoo: Conforms title to S1, which clarifies that levy***  
6 ***proceeds may be used for financing or refinancing costs***