



Signature Report

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

October 24, 2018

Ordinance

Proposed No. 2018-0272.1

Sponsors McDermott

1 AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Harborview Medical
2 Center administrator to issue warrants; and adding a new
3 section to K.C.C. chapter 2.42.

4 **PREAMBLE:**

5 Ordinance 18233, adopted in February 2016, authorizes King County, by
6 and through its executive and its board of trustees for Harborview Medical
7 Center, to execute a Hospital Services Agreement with the Regents of the
8 University of Washington.

9 Included in the Hospital Services Agreement is the Parties Agreement to
10 achieve financial system efficiencies to reduce expenses, including
11 allowing the Medical Center to issue its own warrants to the extent
12 allowed by state law.

13 RCW 36.62.252 allows a county hospital administrator to issue warrants,
14 if authorized by the county legislative authority and the county treasurer.

15 The duties of the county treasurer have been delegated to the finance and
16 business operations division.

17 Paul Hayes, the Harborview Medical Center Executive Director, has
18 requested that the county authorize its hospital administrator be allowed to
19 issue warrants for the Harborview Medical Center operations and for

20 capital projects administered and managed by the University of
21 Washington under the terms of the Hospital Services Agreement.

22 The director of the finance and business operations division has reviewed
23 Harborview's request and the director, acting in the director's capacity as
24 county treasurer, has executed a letter authorizing the Harborview Medical
25 Center administrator to issue warrants, subject to certain conditions.

26 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

27 NEW SECTION. SECTION 1. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 2.42 a
28 new section to read as follows:

29 A. The administrator is authorized to issue warrants for the medical center,
30 subject to the requirements and limitations in subsection B. of this section.

31 B. All warrants issued by the administrator shall comply with the following:

32 1. The warrants shall be issued from the county hospital fund and drawn on an
33 account maintained with the financial institution with which the county has its banking
34 services agreement;

35 2. The warrants shall be issued in a manner consistent with any written
36 procedures established by either the finance and business operations division or the office
37 of performance, strategy and budget, or both;

38 3. The medical center shall coordinate with the finance and business operations
39 division to ensure fiscal responsibility, accountability and auditing as needed;

40 4. The administrator may not issue warrants for medical center capital projects
41 administered and managed by King County, except that warrants for medical center
42 capital projects managed and administered by the University of Washington under the

43 terms of the Hospital Services Agreement dated February 25, 2016, may be issued by the
44 administrator; and

45 5. The administrator must be the signatory on the warrants.

46 SECTION 2. This ordinance takes effect July 1, 2018.

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KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

J. Joseph McDermott, Chair

ATTEST:

Melani Pedroza, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this ____ day of _____, _____.

Dow Constantine, County Executive

Attachments: None