

King County

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AN ORDINANCE authorizing the executive to enter into agreements relating to the West Hill community recreation center, including a lease and assignment agreement; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Findings:

- A. King County is facing a multiyear fiscal crisis that is forcing major cuts in all non-mandated government services funded by the current expense fund and as a result does not have a sufficient, stable source of revenue to continue to operate and maintain the West Hill community recreation center ("West Hill") and West Hill is surplus to the county's needs.
 - B. Due to its fiscal crisis, King County is going out of the business of operating community centers.
- C. West Hill is located on property owned by the Renton school district and leased to the county under that certain Lease and Joint Use Agreement for West Hill Community Recreation Center executed on January 22, 1998 ("lease and joint use agreement"), Exhibit A to Attachment C.
- D. King County and the Boys and Girls Clubs of King County have agreed to terms of a lease with respect to West Hill. The terms of the lease are set forth in Attachment A, the Lease Agreement, and Attachment B, King County General Terms and Conditions (collectively, "lease").
- E. The county, the Renton school district and the Boys and Girls Clubs of King County have also agreed to the terms of an assignment of the lease and joint use agreement. The terms of the assignment are in the Tri-Party Agreement for the Assignment of Lease and Joint Use Agreement for West Hill Community

Recreation Center ("tri-party agreement"), Attachment C to this ordinance.

- F. To avoid any service disruption at West Hill, the county, the Renton school district and the Boys and Girls Clubs of King County must have the lease and tri-party agreement become effective on or before December 31, 2002. For that to occur, this ordinance must be adopted on an emergency basis.
- G. The recitals in the lease and tri-party agreement set forth relevant facts supporting and explaining the terms of the lease and tri-party agreement.
- H. The equipment and supplies being leased along with West Hill are integral to the continued operation and maintenance of West Hill and are surplus to the county's needs.
- I. The long-term lease of West Hill under the terms and conditions of the attached lease and tri-party agreement will serve an important county purpose by ensuring that the county is relieved of its obligations under the lease and joint use agreement and that West Hill will remain open and that needed services will continue to be provided to low-income youth and county residents.
- SECTION 2. The King County executive is hereby authorized to enter into a lease and the tri-party agreement with respect to West Hill, substantially in the form of the attached lease and tri-party agreement.
- SECTION 3. For the reasons set forth in section 1 of this ordinance, the county council finds as a fact and declares that an emergency exists and that this ordinance is

necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace, health or safety or for the support of county government and its existing public institutions.