



Legislation Text

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A MOTION accepting the loan of two personal watercraft from any nationally recognized law enforcement loaner program.

WHEREAS, the King County sheriff's office operates a marine unit responsible for patrolling waterways, educating, and enforcing watercraft safety, and

WHEREAS, using personal watercraft in emphasis patrol of areas of high complaints such as Juanita bay, north end seaplane zone, Lake Sammamish state park boat ramp and Sammamish slough and at public events will enhance public safety and education, and

WHEREAS, nationally recognized law enforcement loaner programs contribute to boating safety, and

WHEREAS, since 1996 the sheriff's office has participated in this program under the following conditions:

1. The watercraft would be used solely to help with public safety responsibilities;
2. The watercraft would be returned to the dealer at the end of the loan period; and
3. The county would pay for the maintenance of the watercraft and any damage other than ordinary

wear and tear, and

WHEREAS, there has been a significant positive public service impact with the use of the watercraft, and

WHEREAS, local dealers participating in the nationally recognized law enforcement loaner programs are willing to loan the county two personal watercraft in one-year increments, under the same conditions that have applied since 1996;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

The county executive is authorized to accept the loan of two personal watercraft from any nationally recognized law enforcement loaner program each year, in one-year

increments, to be used exclusively by the King County sheriff's office for public safety purposes.

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