

Legislation Text

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A MOTION authorizing the chair of the council to enter into a contract amendment increasing the compensation to be paid for services to represent the county with the Washington state Legislature.

WHEREAS, the county is a subdivision of the state of Washington, and

WHEREAS, as a result, the county's services, operations and finances are to a significant extent controlled by the laws of the state, and

WHEREAS, legislation passed by the Washington state Legislature often impacts King County's services, operations and finances, and

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the residents of King County to have representation during the legislative session on a broad range of complex issues, and

WHEREAS, based on a competitive bidding process conducted in 2007, Michael E. Temple was selected to represent King County with state government officials, and

WHEREAS, the term of King County's contract with Michael E. Temple was extended on July 28,

2008, by Motion 12819, to include August 28, 2008, to August 29, 2009, and

WHEREAS, the King County council's government relations consultant Tom Bristow has accepted the position of interim chief of staff to the King County council, and as a result there is need for substantial additional legislative advocacy services, and

WHEREAS, as well as performing duties required by this contract prior to this amendment, Michael Temple will perform the advocacy responsibilities that would otherwise have been assigned to Mr. Bristow during the legislative session. In addition, Mr. Temple will take the primary advocacy lead on the following issues: human services; housing; public health;, criminal justice; and other duties as necessary to accomplish the King County agenda, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Temple has informed the county that the compensation requested for the additional services is an additional \$4,800 per month from January 15, 2009, through June 15, 2009, payable as follows:

\$2,400 for January 15 through 31;
\$4,800 for February;
\$4,800 for March;
\$4,800 for April;
\$4,800 for May; and
\$2,400 for June 1 through 15;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

The chair of the metropolitan King County council is authorized to enter into a contract amendment providing for additional compensation to be paid to Michael E. Temple in the amounts for January 15, 2009, through June 15, 2009, as described in this motion, for the services of monitoring actions by the state Legislature and the state executive branch on all issues of concern to King County, and advocating on the county's behalf on all issues, including, but not limited to, human services, housing, public health, criminal justice, growth management, water and sewer and threatened and endangered species.