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agencies; and amending Ordinance 17932, Section 2, as amended, and Ordinance 12643, Section

19, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.700.210.

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0352_SR_HumanServicesTickets.docx, 6. 2017-0352_SR_HumanServicesTicketsTrEE.docx, 7. 2017-0352_SR_HumanServicesTicketsTrEE_10-31.docx, 8. 18609 amendment package 11-13-17.pdf

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11/13/2017	1	Metropolitan King County Council	Passed as Amended	Pass
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human services agencies; and amending Ordinance 17932, Section 2, as

amended, and Ordinance 12643, Section 19, as amended, and K.C.C.

4A.700.210.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

1. K.C.C. 4A.700.210 authorizes a program for the sale and distribution of fare payment media to human services agencies at ten percent of the face value for the purpose of meeting the transportation needs of low income and homeless populations. The total amount of the ninety

percent discount available under the program is capped at three million six hundred thousand dollars for any one year.

- 2. The discount from the face value of fare media paid by human services agencies was increased from eighty percent to ninety percent effective January 1, 2017.
- 3. This increase in the discount resulted in many human services agencies having funds to purchase additional discounted fare payment media.
- 4. In the spring of 2017, Metro conducted a survey of participating human services agencies to attempt to determine the extent of unmet demand for discounted fare media. Agencies responding to this survey indicated they had need for, and could purchase additional discounted fare payment media.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Ordinance 17932, Section 2, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Ordinance 17932, Section 3, Ordinance 18370, Section 4, ((and)) Ordinance 18399, ((s))Section 4, and section 2 of this ordinance take effect January 1, 2018.

SECTION 2. Ordinance 12643, Section 19, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.700.210 are each hereby amended to read as follows.

A. The director is authorized to establish a program for the sale and distribution of fare payment media to human service agencies at ((ten percent of their)) a discount of the media's cash value for the purpose of meeting the transportation needs of very low income and homeless populations. ((The total amount of the ninety percent discount provided under the program shall not exceed three million six hundred thousand dollars for any one year. The allocation of discount tickets under the program shall be made by the director in conjunction with local jurisdictions and the county's department or departments responsible for human services programs. The local jurisdictions and the county department or departments shall determine the quantity of fare payment media from their respective allocations that shall be sold to the human service agencies eligible under

the program. Tickets sold under the program are valid on all public transportation and paratransit service for the purpose of meeting the transportation needs of low income and homeless populations.)) The program shall provide for the following:

- 1. Metro issued fare payment media, including but not limited to bus tickets, to be sold to human service agencies at ten percent of the cash value; and
- 2. A fare payment medium consisting of a combination of a Metro-issued fare payment medium and a fare payment medium of another transportation agency, to be sold to human services agencies at the higher of either the ten percent of the cash value of the Metro fare medium or the discounted price of the fare medium provided by the other transportation agency under an interagency agreement between Metro and the other transportation agency.
- B. The allocation of discount fare payment media under the program shall be made by the director in conjunction with local jurisdictions and the county's department or departments responsible for human services programs. The local jurisdictions and the county department or departments shall determine the quantity of fare payment media from their respective allocations that shall be sold to the human service agencies eligible under the program.
- C. The total amount of discount provided under the program established under section A. of this section shall not exceed ((three)) <u>four</u> million ((<u>six hundred thousand</u>)) dollars for any one year.
- D. Metro fare payment media sold under the program shall be valid for all Metro transportation and paratransit service as well as for service on those Sound Transit bus routes agreed to by Metro and Sound Transit.