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AN ORDINANCE pertaining to the roads capital improvement program; transmitting an updated South Park Bridge funding plan; amending the 2010/2011 Biennium Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 16717, Section 137, as amended; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. **Findings:**

A. The South Park Bridge has provided access for residents of the South Park neighborhood and for commercial and industrial freight traffic within the Duwamish manufacturing and industrial area for the past eighty-one years.

B. The South Park Bridge came to the end of its useful life and was closed to the public on June 30, 2010.

C. The South Park Bridge is located on 14th/16th Avenue South across the Duwamish river. The south half of the bridge is located in King County. The north half of the bridge is located in the city of Tukwila. The northern and southern surface roadway approaches to the bridge and the South Park neighborhood immediately adjacent to the bridge are located within the city of Seattle.

D. King County is responsible for the operation and maintenance of all county roads, bridges and rights-of-way located within the county until and unless they are annexed by other jurisdictions.

E. King County and the city of Tukwila previously entered into an agreement, executed January 3, 2003, in which the city of Tukwila granted the county authority to make any decisions related to the operation, maintenance and management of the bridge to the same extent as if the entire bridge were part of the county road system.

F. King County has been awarded funding for a replacement bridge, including funds from a broad group of partners and grants including the successful application for a $34,000,000 TIGER II grant from the United States Department of Transportation.

G. The South Park Bridge is partially located adjacent to the city of Seattle's South Park neighborhood in an unincorporated area of King County that may be considered for annexation by the city of Seattle.

H. The bridge replacement provides a clear benefit to the county, the city of Seattle, the Port of Seattle and the industrial areas of the Duwamish Manufacturing/Industrial Center, as designated by the Puget Sound Regional Council, by reducing traffic congestion in and around other county and city roadways.

I. The bridge replacement project will improve safety for drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians while providing benefits to air quality and waterway restoration.

J. The county has advertised for bids for the project construction contract and is prepared to open bids on March 8, 2011. Opening bids on this date is essential to allow the county to award a contract in late March,

allowing the construction contract to take advantage of the Duwamish River "fish window" for construction activities in 2011. A delay in the bid opening could potentially result in a delay in construction of a year. Enactment of this ordinance as an emergency is necessary to remove the expenditure restriction ensuring that the county may in a timely manner open bids and award the project construction contract.

SECTION 2. Ordinance 16717, Section 137, as amended, is hereby amended by adding thereto and inserting therein the following:

ROADS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM - From several capital improvement project funds there is hereby appropriated and authorized to be disbursed the following amounts for the specific projects identified in Attachment A to this ordinance.

Fund	**Fund Name**	**Amount**
3860	ROADS CONSTRUCTION	$10,352,354

((~~ER1 EXPENDITURE RESTRICTION:~~

~~For CIP Project 300197, South Park Bridge, $29,900,000 may not be expended or encumbered until the executive transmits an update of the South Park Bridge funding plan, including executed legally binding commitments for all funds identified in the plan.~~))

P1 PROVIDED THAT:

For CIP Project 300610, South Park Bridge Demolition, no more than $1,800,000 may be expended or encumbered for right-of-way acquisition, and no more than $1,400,000 may be expended or encumbered for other project purposes until the executive has transmitted a report certifying that insufficient funding is available for CIP Project 300197, South Park Bridge Replacement, or providing an update on an executive plan to fund CIP Project 300197. The report shall include the finalized closure plan for the South Park Bridge.

The report required to be submitted by this proviso must be filed in the form of a paper original and an electronic copy with the clerk of the council, who shall retain the original and provide an electronic copy to all councilmembers and to the committee coordinator for the physical environment committee or its successor.

P2 PROVIDED FURTHER THAT:

For CIP Project 300197, South Park Bridge Replacement, none of the amount appropriated in 2010 may be expended or encumbered until the executive has transmitted, and the council has approved by motion, a funding plan for the project. Any ordinance necessary for implementation of the funding plan shall be transmitted with the plan.

Any plan or legislation required to be submitted by this proviso must be filed in the form of a paper original and an electronic copy with the clerk of the council, who shall retain the original and provide an electronic copy to all councilmembers and to the committee coordinator for the physical environment committee or its successor.

SECTION 3. Attachment A to this ordinance hereby transmits the updated South Park Bridge funding plan as required by ER1 Expenditure Restriction in Ordinance 16717, Section 137, as amended.

SECTION 4. For the reasons described 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.

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