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AN ORDINANCE relating to the King County children and youth advisory board; and amending Ordinance 18217, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 2A.300.510.

### STATEMENT OF FACTS:

1. In April 2015, the metropolitan King County council approved Motion 14378, adopting the Youth Action Plan. The Youth Action Plan recommended that King County create an advisory board to support the county's system wide accountability for serving children and families and youth and young adults. The task force recommended this be "an inclusive body comprised of a wide array of citizens, stakeholders, and entities that can draw upon experience, knowledge and information to assist King County policymakers as they consider outcomes, policies, and investments for children and families and youth and young adults."
2. In July 2015, Ordinance 18088 submitted to the voters of King County a proposition known as "best starts for kids levy," authorizing a regular property tax levy in excess of the levy limitation for six consecutive years, commencing in 2016, for the purpose of funding prevention and early intervention strategies to improve the health and well-being of children, youth and their communities. The youth action plan task force members helped shape the first best starts for kids levy proposition.
3. Ordinance 18088 also directed the executive to transmit to the council a plan relating to an oversight and advisory board for the portion of the best starts for kids levy proceeds related to

children and youth strategies and a proposed ordinance identifying the duties and composition of the oversight and advisory board. Ordinance 18088 required that the oversight and advisory plan be consistent with the recommendations in the county's youth action plan.

4. In January 2016, the county enacted Ordinance 18217 establishing the King County children and youth advisory board; and adding a new chapter to K.C.C. Title 2A.

5. In July 2020, council adopted Motion 15673 accepting the Puget Sound Taxpayer Accountability Account ("PSTAA") implementation plan. PSTAA directs transit-related revenue to educational services to improve outcomes in early learning, K-12, and post-secondary education. The PSTAA implementation plan designated the children and youth advisory board to establish and maintain the PSTAA advisory committee.

6. In April 2021, Ordinance 19267 submitted to the voters of King County a proposition to renew the best starts for kids levy, providing for resident oversight and authorizing a property tax levy in excess of the levy limitation contained in chapter 84.55 RCW for a six-year consecutive period, commencing in 2022, at a rate of not more than \$0.19 per one thousand dollars of assessed valuation in the first year, and limiting annual levy increases to three percent in the five succeeding years, all for the purpose of funding prevention and early intervention strategies and a capital grants program to improve the health and well-being of children, youth and their communities.

7. In July 2021 as directed by Ordinance 19267, the Executive developed and transmitted the Best Starts for Kids implementation plan for 2022-2027 in consultation with the King County children and youth advisory board.

8. Ordinance 19267 also directs the executive, by October 1, 2021, to transmit to the council for consideration and adoption by ordinance a best starts for kids governance update report that describes and explains necessary and recommended changes to sections of the King County

Code and applicable ordinances that describe the composition and duties of the King County children and youth advisory board.

9. Research shows inclusion of lived experience perspectives on boards increases the efficacy of policy development, strategic planning, implementation of programs, evaluation and the development of innovative approaches that reach communities and effectively meet their needs.

10. Stipends serve to provide incentive for youth participation on boards, while recognizing their expertise, and helping with living expenses as they engage in board activities.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Ordinance 18217, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 2A.300.510 are hereby amended to read as follows:

A. For the purposes of this section:

1. "Best ~~((s))~~Starts for ~~((k))~~Kids children and youth strategies" means those strategies that are eligible expenditures as defined in Ordinance ~~((18088))~~ 19267, ~~((Section 5.C.1., 2. and 4.))~~ Section 4.C.1. and 2., Section 4.D. and Section 4.E.;

2. "Collective impact" means a process for achieving meaningful and sustainable progress on complex social issues that involves convening stakeholders across sectors and communities, who share a common vision and a shared agenda for assuring accountability and measuring results; and

3. "Youth Action Plan" means the Youth Action Plan approved under Motion 14378.

B. As recommended in the Youth Action Plan and as required by Ordinances 18088 and 19267, the King County children and youth advisory board is created to act in an advisory capacity to the executive and council to:

1. Assist King County policy makers as they consider outcomes, policies and investments for children and families and youth and young adults; and

2. Serve as the ~~((b))~~Best ~~((s))~~Starts for ~~((k))~~Kids children and youth strategies oversight and advisory body, including making recommendations on and monitoring the distributions of levy proceeds described in Ordinance ~~((18088))~~ 19267, ~~((Section 5.C.1., 2. and 4.))~~ Section 4.C.1. and 2., Section 4.D. and Section 4.E..

C. The goal of the board is to improve the health and well-being of children and youth by utilizing a collective impact model to implement strategies that focus on prevention and early intervention.

D.1. The board shall make recommendations to the executive and county council regarding children and youth services, consistent with the recommendations in the Youth Action Plan.

2. The board shall receive and review King County outcomes and data, recommending improvements and modifications to achieve outcomes and support strong data collection and indicator protocols.

3. The board shall assist the executive and the council with the comprehensive review and analysis of King County government's programs, services and outcomes for children, families, youth and young adults for alignment with other initiatives and coalitions that have outcomes identified for children, families, youth and young adults.

4. The board shall recommend policy, budget, and other findings to the executive and the council, ensuring alignment with other initiatives and coalitions that have outcomes identified for children, families, youth and young adults.

5. The board shall participate with, track and report on efforts of partnerships, coalitions and networks throughout the region to inform the development of an aligned, region wide response that leads to improved outcomes.

6. The board shall be a forum for discussion and exchange of ideas in response to emergent needs, promising practices, and continuous improvement.

E. The board shall ~~((work in collaboration with the executive to develop an implementation plan for))~~ provide oversight for the ~~((b))~~Best ~~((s))~~Starts for ~~((k))~~Kids children and youth strategies ~~((to be transmitted to~~

~~the council by June 1, 2016))~~ outlined in the Best Starts for Kids implementation plan. The board shall:

1. ~~((Make recommendations for the plan consistent with Ordinance 18088;~~

~~2. Make recommendations for the plan so it is consistent with other adopted county plans and policies such as the King County Strategic Plan, the Youth Action Plan and Ordinance 16948, which transformed the county's work on equity and social justice from an initiative to an integrated effort that applies the King County Strategic Plan 2010-2014's "fair and just" principle to all the county does in order to achieve equitable opportunities for all people and communities;~~

~~3.)) Advise on development of indicators and targets for ((b))Best ((s))Starts for ((k))Kids children and youth strategies ((for inclusion in the plan));~~

~~((4. Make recommendations that ensure the work of the county's steering community to address juvenile justice disproportionality is taken into consideration in development of the plan, to the maximum extent possible;~~

~~5. Make recommendations on and)) 2. ((m))Monitor the distribution of best starts for kids levy proceeds; ((and~~

~~6. Make recommendations on an)) 3. Work in collaboration with executive staff on any recommended changes to the children and youth strategies in the Best Starts for Kids implementation plan; and~~

~~4. Consult on and review annual ((reporting process)) reports to the council and community that demonstrate((s)) transparency regarding the expenditure of levy proceeds and the effectiveness of the best starts for kids children and youth strategies in meeting the goals and outcomes established in Ordinance ((18088)) 19267.~~

F. The board may establish standing and ad hoc work groups focusing on specific components of children and youth services and ((b))Best ((s))Starts for ((k))Kids strategies. Individuals or representative from entities whose work is closely related to children and youth prevention and early intervention strategies may be

invited to participate in work groups as nonvoting members.

G. Consistent with a collective impact model, the board shall:

1. Review and advise the executive and council on emerging and evolving best and promising practices to improve the health and well-being of children and youth;
2. Coordinate with other county boards and groups including, but not limited to, the steering committee to address juvenile justice disproportionality, the mental illness and drug dependency oversight board, the regional human services levy citizen oversight board and the veterans levy citizen oversight board, to maximize the impact of the county's children and youth services;
3. Serve as a forum to promote coordination and collaboration between entities involved in improving the health and well-being of children and youth; and
4. Coordinate and share information with other related external efforts and groups.

H. The board shall adopt rules governing its operations at its first meeting, which may be revised in subsequent meetings.

I.1. The board shall be composed of not more than forty members, at least ~~three~~ five of whom shall be youth age twenty-four or under.

2. As required by Ordinance 18088, the board shall be comprised of a wide array of King County residents and stakeholders with geographically and culturally diverse perspectives.

3. Members of the advisory board shall be appointed by the executive and confirmed by the council.

J. ~~((The board shall establish terms of appointment by lot. ((Thirteen positions shall have initial terms of two years, thirteen positions shall have initial terms of three years and the remainder of the positions shall have initial terms of four years. After the initial terms have expired, all t))~~Terms for members of the board shall be for three years.

K. In accordance with K.C.C. 2.28.006, youth members aged twenty-four years old and younger of the board who are neither employees of King County nor employees of other municipal governments shall receive

compensation. The initial compensation shall be one hundred twenty-five dollars per meeting and shall not exceed one hundred twenty-five dollars per month before December 31, 2022. Beginning January 1, 2023, the compensation amount per meeting and the maximum compensation amount per month shall be automatically adjusted annually, and every year thereafter, at the rate equivalent to the twelve-month change in the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue Statistical Metropolitan Area, which is known as "the CPI-U." However, if the twelve-month change in the CPI-U is negative, there shall not be an adjustment.

L. The board shall provide support to enable youth board members aged twenty-four years old and younger to earn service-learning hours and community service hours for their participation on the board, where participation so qualifies.