



Legislation Text

File #: 2022-0347, **Version:** 1

Clerk 09/06/2022

A MOTION extending the waiver of competitive bidding and solicitation requirements for contracts relating to the King County housing crisis emergency.

WHEREAS, the King County executive on August 16, 2022, issued a proclamation of emergency, included as Attachment A to this motion, declaring that extraordinary measures must be taken in response to the nationwide housing unaffordability crisis that is causing the homelessness crisis in King County, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the authority granted to the executive upon issuing a proclamation of emergency, the executive ordered that the public advertising and competitive procurement requirements of state law and the King County Code, including K.C.C. chapter 2.93, all applicable executive policies and procedures and K.C.C. chapter 12.19 are waived relating to county contracts for purchases or leases of: tangible personal property; public works as defined by RCW 39.040.010; and services, including professional or technical services, and

WHEREAS, under K.C.C. 2.93.080.B. and K.C.C. 12.52.030.C., the waiver of competitive procurement requirements of state and county law shall have force and effect until it expires, which shall be twenty-one calendar days after its issuance, unless terminated sooner by order of the executive or action of the council by motion. However, the council, by motion, may extend a waiver beyond the twenty-one-day period, and

WHEREAS, an extension of the waiver from competitive procurement requirements is necessary as it is clear that this emergency will not be resolved by September 6, 2022, and the ability to procure quickly the goods and services necessary to the SoDo Hub will be critical;

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

The waiver from competitive bidding and solicitation requirements of state and county law as set forth in the August 16, 2022, proclamation of emergency issued by the executive is extended by twenty-one calendar days; however the council may, by motion, further extend the waiver or sooner terminate the waiver.