



Legislation Text

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A MOTION approving the facilities management division report titled New County Office Building: Prospective Tenants, and supporting occupancy recommendations in the New County Office Building in response to a proviso included in Ordinance 15042.

WHEREAS, the county council recently authorized the execution of the necessary lease documents to finance the new county office building ("NCOB") project after more than two years of continuous feasibility studies that concluded that the county should own rather than lease downtown office space and that the county should construct a new building rather than purchase an existing building, and

WHEREAS, the county council recently approved Ordinance 15042, which authorized an expenditure of \$1.6 million to design the NCOB, and

WHEREAS, the county council desired to deliberate on and approve the occupancies of the NCOB and established a proviso to Ordinance 15042 that restricted \$150,000 of expenditures on design until such time as the county executive made formal occupancy recommendations to the council, and

WHEREAS, the county council further required that the rationale for NCOB occupancy recommendations and how the recommendations for occupancy fit within the projected financial pro forma and adopted and proposed space plans be disclosed, and

WHEREAS, the county council further required that the report on the NCOB occupancy be transmitted to county council by January 31, 2005, and

WHEREAS, the report on the NCOB occupancy was delayed until early March in order to evaluate

whether the NCOB was an appropriate location for consolidating all of King County elections functions into one facility, and

WHEREAS, the preliminary evaluation concluded that the NCOB would not meet the programmatic needs of the elections consolidation and alternatives for elections facilities are being aggressively evaluated by the facilities management division, and

WHEREAS the department of executive services, facilities management division has now produced a report, titled New County Office Building: Prospective Tenants, in response to Ordinance 15042;

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

The King County executive's occupancy recommendations for the new county office building, Attachment A to this motion, is hereby approved.