



## Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE approving the updated cost estimates and a financing plan for completing all outstanding preservation and historic restoration on the King County Courthouse identified in the Cardwell/Thomas Courthouse Restoration Study of 1988, as required by proviso in Ordinance 15975.

### STATEMENT OF FACTS:

1. Ordinance 15975 included a proviso requiring that the facilities management division, in collaboration with the historic preservation program staff, the landmarks commission and the office of management and budget, submit to council for its review and approval by ordinance, the updated cost estimates and financing plan for the completion of all outstanding preservation and historic restoration work on the King County Courthouse that was identified in the Cardwell/Thomas Courthouse Restoration Study of 1988.
2. As required in the proviso in the 2008 Budget Ordinance, the office of management and budget, the facilities management division and historic preservation program staff worked together to update the cost estimates in the 1988 report.
3. The county has made significant contributions to the preservation of the courthouse and other county facilities in its administration of the highly regarded major maintenance model and financing structure that preserves and maximizes the useful life of building structures.
4. The county invested over \$80 million in a seismic retrofit project designed to address the risk of earthquake damage that would jeopardize the safety of courthouse occupants.

5. The county included restoration components and public art in the 3rd Avenue courthouse lobby project completed successfully in 2004.
6. The proviso mandated financial plan itemizes the 2008 Budget Ordinance for Courthouse preservation and restoration projects eligible for major maintenance reserve fund resources in the six year plan ending in 2013.
7. The remaining courthouse restoration and preservation work will be prioritized according to a comprehensive project selection methodology and funded as resources are available as described in the proviso report financing plan.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. The report updating the cost estimates in the Cardwell/Thomas Courthouse Restoration Study of 1988 and providing a financing plan to address outstanding preservation and historic preservation work for the King County Courthouse, Attachment A to this ordinance, is hereby adopted and approved.

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