



King County

ORDER PURSUANT TO PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, in my capacity as King County Executive, I issued a Proclamation of Emergency regarding the significant health emergency caused by novel coronavirus, or COVID-19 in King County; and

WHEREAS, RCW chapter 38.52, and King County Code chapters 2.56 and 12.52 authorize me to exercise the emergency powers vested in me as King County Executive; and

WHEREAS, the virus continues to spread rapidly and nine (9) fatalities have occurred to date in Washington state;

WHEREAS, King County provides essential services to the public; and

WHEREAS, response to the emergency may require new and/or different demands on King County services to protect life, health, and safety;

WHEREAS, new and/or different demands for service may require additional staffing and/or changes to staffing; additional hours of operation and/or changes to hours of operation; and

WHEREAS, the County's available workforce may shrink from sickness, school and daycare closures; and

WHEREAS, K.C.C. 12.52.030(C)(10) authorizes the King County Executive to make and proclaim any "orders as are imminently necessary for the protection of life and property"; and

WHEREAS, this continued emergency requires the issuance of an order that is specifically targeted to address collective bargaining agreements with unions representing King County employees and certain aspects of solid waste handling within the County; and

WHEREAS, K.C.C. 10.10.025 sets forth certain notice and comment procedures that are required to change the operating hours of County solid waste facilities; and

WHEREAS, K.C.C.10.12.050(B) authorizes the Executive or Council by motion to waive service fees under a proclamation; and

WHEREAS, interrupted regional waste management activities caused by the novel coronavirus may delay garbage pickup service and present a threat of increased debris requiring disposal;

WHEREAS, it is imperative that the County act quickly to respond to and mitigate this emergency;

**THE FOLLOWING EMERGENCY ORDER IS PROCLAIMED BY THE KING COUNTY EXECUTIVE,
DOW CONSTANTINE**

It is hereby ordered that King County is authorized to temporarily suspend any and all provisions of its collective bargaining agreements between King County government and the unions representing King County employees; and

It is hereby ordered that the Solid Waste Division is authorized to (1) temporarily change, by expanding or reducing, the operating hours of King County solid waste facilities as necessary; (2) temporarily close any King County solid waste facilities as necessary; and (3) waive service fees for municipal waste as necessary.

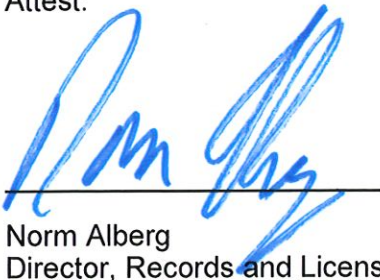
This order shall continue in force and effect until the March 1, 2020, Proclamation of Emergency is terminated by order of the Executive or action by the King County Council by ordinance.

DATED THIS 3rd day of March, 2020.



DOW CONSTANTINE, King County Executive
State of Washington

Attest:



Norm Alberg
Director, Records and Licensing Services Division, Department of Executive Services