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From: "Calderwood, Amy" <Amy.Calderwood@METROKC.GOV> [[Save Address](#)]
To: "Chen, Ho-Chuan" <Ho-Chuan.Chen@METROKC.GOV>
Cc: "Barahimi, Hossein" <Hossein.Barahimi@METROKC.GOV>, "Davis, Jim" <Jim.Davis@METROKC.GOV>, "Ishimaru, Jim" <Jim.Ishimaru@METROKC.GOV>, "Wellander, Sean" <Sean.Wellander@METROKC.GOV>
Subject: **RE: Request for an investigation of the King County Transportation Concurrency program, team and management for legality of actions and potential misconduct**
Date: Wed, 11 Jun 2003 08:39:07 -0800

That would be fine. Could I ask you to present your amendment in letter form to our Office?

Thank you,

Amy Calderwood
Ombudsman-Director
King County Office of Citizen Complaints-Ombudsman
206-296-3506

-----Original Message-----

From: Chen, Ho-Chuan
Sent: Wednesday, June 11, 2003 9:37 AM
To: Calderwood, Amy
Cc: Barahimi, Hossein; Davis, Jim; Ishimaru, Jim; Wellander, Sean
Subject: RE: Request for an investigation of the King County Transportation Concurrency program, team and management for legality of actions and potential misconduct

Amy,

Per the PA's direction, we would like to amend the Ombudsman's complaint we filed on 3/3/03 to include the attached investigation request. Thanks.

Ho-Chuan Chen, Ph.D., P.E., Supervisor, Travel Forecasting and Data Management Group (TFDM)
Hossein Barahimi, Transportation Planner III, TFDM
Jim Davis, Transportation Planner II, TFDM
Jim Ishimaru, Transportation Planner III, TFDM
Sean Wellander, Transportation Planner III, TFDM

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From: Manion, Leesa
Sent: Tuesday, June 10, 2003 3:07 PM
To: Chen, Ho-Chuan
Cc: Calderwood, Amy; Barahimi, Hossein; Davis, Jim; Ishimaru, Jim; Wellander, Sean
Subject: FW: Request for an investigation of the King County Transportation Concurrency program, team and management for legality of actions and potential misconduct

Dear Mr. Chen:

Norm Maleng has read your email and has forwarded it to me for response.

Thank you for taking the time to write to us regarding this matter. Our office does not investigate potential crimes. We do not have investigators. Instead, we file cases only after they have been referred to us by police or some other investigative agency. It was wise of you to report your concerns to the King County Ombudsman. At the conclusion of its investigation, the Ombudsman's Office may choose to refer this matter to the proper agency/authority for action or further investigation.

I hope this information has been helpful.

Sincerely,

Leesa A. Manion

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King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office
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From: Chen, Ho-Chuan
Sent: Tuesday, June 10, 2003 11:52 AM
To: Maleng, Norm
Cc: Calderwood, Amy; Barahimi, Hossein; Davis, Jim; Ishimaru, Jim; Wellander, Sean
Subject: Request for an investigation of the King County Transportation Concurrency program, team and management for legality of actions and potential misconduct

Norm Maleng, King County Prosecuting Attorney
W554 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

June 10, 2003

RE: Request for an investigation of the King County Transportation Concurrency program, team and management for legality of actions and potential misconduct.

This is an investigation request under RCW 9A.72.020 and King County Ordinance 3.42.030. It also pertains to elements of RCW 36.70A.070.

We, the Travel Forecasting and Data Management group (TFDM), working for the King County Department of Transportation, Roads Services Division, CIP & Planning Section, request that the King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office conduct a thorough investigation of the King County Transportation Concurrency program, team and management. We have also filed a complaint with the King County Ombudsman's office (February 6, 2003) that is currently under investigation.

The TFDM group believes that the King County Transportation Concurrency program may have deliberately provided false information to the King County Council, and that the King County Council adopted Transportation Concurrency Ordinances based on that information. We also believe that portions of the ordinance developed by the Transportation Concurrency program were developed in part to act as protection from challenges to arbitrary and inaccurate assumptions used to issue a Concurrency Certificate for the Redmond Ridge East (RRE) development, as well as other developments.

In addition, the Transportation Concurrency program may have used those Ordinances adopted based on false information to fight against citizens in Hearing and Appeal processes.

In addition, the TFDM suspects that the Concurrency program has not completely complied with RCW 42.17. The TFDM suspects that crucial emails and documents have not been disclosed to citizens when asked for information and emails related to the Transportation Concurrency program.

The TFDM believes that the Transportation Concurrency team may be in violation of County, State, and/or Federal laws, and requests a full and complete investigation of this program.

Sincerely,

Ho-Chuan Chen, Ph.D., P.E., Supervisor, Travel Forecasting and Data Management Group (TFDM)
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