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Ethel Craven-Sweet
2319 Talbot Crest Drive South
Renton, WA 98055

Dear Ms. Craven-Sweet:

Earlier this year you wrote to me about the City's proposed cost recovery plan for special events. At that time, I told you that my office would be working with event promoters and City staff to develop a reasonable, equitable means by which the City would recover some of its costs for providing police services at special events.

Our goal in this process has been to bring consistency and fairness to the City's process of billing groups for public safety costs, and to contain public safety costs for community groups, event promoters and the City.

It has taken many months of work, but we have a draft proposal that we believe is fair and should not cause undue hardship for any group or community.

I am enclosing a copy of the proposed ordinance which I hope you will review and let me know if it addresses the concerns you expressed in your letter. You are welcome to attend the public hearing I have scheduled for Monday, November 25, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers on the 11th floor of the Municipal Building. If you cannot attend the hearing, please let me know what you think by letter, or by calling Joyce Nichols in my office at 684-8803.

Thank you for your input during this process. I hope we are able to finally get a cost recovery ordinance we can ALL live with.

Sincerely,

Jane Noland, Councilmember
Seattle City Council

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