

THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF KING

RESOLUTION NO. 5198

**AUTHORIZING ONE-FOR-ONE REPLACEMENT OF PUBLIC HOUSING UNITS AT
BIRCH CREEK APARTMENTS**

WHEREAS, The King County Housing Authority (KCHA) is committed to improving the physical condition and long term viability of its public housing communities; and

WHEREAS, KCHA is currently engaged in the substantial renovation of the Birch Creek (formerly Springwood) Apartments on the East Hill of Kent; and

WHEREAS, KCHA has determined that the site is overly dense with inadequate open space and parking; and

WHEREAS, several of the existing residential buildings impinge on Soosette Creek, a protected waterway, and are vulnerable to periodic flooding and foundation erosion; and,

WHEREAS, KCHA, in order to provide a higher quality living environment, protect an environmentally sensitive stream and provide adequate parking and open space will not be rebuilding 22 units previously removed through fire and the development of the Kent Family Center, and will be reducing the existing number of units on-site by 62; and

WHEREAS, KCHA is committed to maintaining, and if possible, expanding the supply of “hard” units affordable to extremely low income households;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF KING:**


SECTION 1: The King County Housing Authority shall provide one-for-one replacement for the 84 units being removed or not rebuilt at Birch Creek.

SECTION 2: That these units will be replaced by either “turning on” public housing subsidies at new sites or by project-basing Section 8 vouchers at housing owned or controlled by either the Housing Authority or non-profit housing developers.

SECTION 3: That the number of housing units that KCHA may project-base pursuant to its Project Basing Policy in order to provide one-for-one replacement is increased by 84.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF KING AT A MEETING THEREOF THIS 15TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2008.

**THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE
COUNTY OF KING, WASHINGTON**



NANCY HOLLAND-YOUNG, Chair
Board of Commissioners



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