

1 Sponsored by: Councilmember Jani Hitchen
2 Requested by: County Council
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6 **ORDINANCE NO. 2022-56**

7 8 9 **An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Repealing Chapter 2.99 of the** 10 **Pierce County Code, "Pierce County Commission Against** 11 **Domestic Violence."** 12

13 **Whereas**, on May 31, 1994, the Pierce County Council passed Ordinance No.
14 94-72 adopting a new Chapter 2.99 of the Pierce County Code (PCC) and establishing
15 the Pierce County Commission Against Domestic Violence (Commission) to reduce and
16 prevent domestic violence through the development and implementation of a
17 Comprehensive Domestic Violence Plan (Plan) for Pierce County; and
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19 **Whereas**, upon completion of the Plan by the Commission, the Council passed
20 Resolution No. R95-145 on November 28, 1995, adopting the 1995 Comprehensive
21 Domestic Violence Plan for Pierce County; and
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23 **Whereas**, PCC 2.99.040 A. provides that the Commission shall annually review
24 the status of the Plan and shall recommend changes to the Executive and Council; and
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26 **Whereas**, as a result of vacancies and the lack of participation by designated
27 membership agencies and organizations, annual Plan review and recommendations
28 have not occurred; and
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30 **Whereas**, PCC 2.99.040 B. and C. charge the Commission with fostering
31 communication and coordination among domestic violence service providers and to
32 serve as the County's central resource for activities against domestic violence; however,
33 neither of those designated functions have been fulfilled; and
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35 **Whereas**, the County would benefit from a study analyzing, determining and
36 addressing best practices with respect to addressing domestic violence and extending
37 the study to include sexual assault and gender violence; and
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39 **Whereas**, the Performance Audit Committee workplan includes a study
40 evaluating the County's approach to domestic and sexual violence in the community.
41 The study will review the County's relationships with the Crystal Judson Family Justice
42 Center, YWCA, and Domestic Violence Commission, and report on best practices and
43 organizational structures for these services; **Now Therefore**,
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1 **BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of Pierce County:**

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3 Section 1. Chapter 2.99 of the Pierce County Code, "Pierce County Commission
4 Against Domestic Violence," is hereby repealed.

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7 **PASSED** this 18th day of October, 2022.

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9 **ATTEST:**

PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL
Pierce County, Washington

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12 Denise D. Johnson
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14 **Denise D. Johnson**
15 Clerk to the Council

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18 Council Chair

Bruce F. Dammeier
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20 **Bruce F. Dammeier**
21 Pierce County Executive
22 Approved Vetoed , this
23 18th day of October,
24 2022.

25 Date of Publication of
26 Notice of Public Hearing: September 28, 2022

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28 Effective Date of Ordinance: October 30, 2022

