



King County

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Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Meeting Minutes

Metropolitan King County Council

*Councilmembers: Sarah Perry, Chair;
Jorge Barón, Vice Chair of Policy Development and Review;
Reagan Dunn, Vice Chair of Regional Coordination;
Claudia Balducci, Rod Dembowski, Steffanie Fain,
Rhonda Lewis, Teresa Mosqueda, Pete von Reichbauer*

1:30 PM

Tuesday, February 10, 2026

Hybrid Meeting

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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:31 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: 8 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Fain, Lewis, Perry and von Reichbauer

Excused: 1 - Mosqueda

3. Flag Salute and Pledge of Allegiance

Councilmember Lewis led the flag salute and Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Minutes of February 3, 2026

Councilmember Barón moved to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2026, meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.

5. Additions to the Council Agenda

There were no additions.

6. Special Item

Recognition of Mary Yu for her distinguished career, dedicated service, and commitment to fairness, justice, and respect for all.

Councilmember Barón and Councilmember Dembowski made remarks and presented the recognition. Mary Yu made remarks and thanked the Council.

There will be one public hearing on Items 6-11

The following people spoke:

Alex Tsimerman

Yvette Dinish

Kristie Johnson

Motions, from Standing Committees and Regional Committees and Motions related to Collective Bargaining, for Council Action

Consent Items 7-11

7. Proposed Motion No. 2025-0217

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the third annual report on the second Best Starts for Kids initiative, in accordance with Ordinance 19354.

Sponsors: Mosqueda and von Reichbauer

The enacted number is 16948.

A Public Hearing was held and closed. This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

8. Proposed Motion No. 2025-0237

A MOTION approving the 2024 annual mental illness and drug dependency evaluation summary report, in compliance with K.C.C. 4A.500.309.

Sponsors: Mosqueda and von Reichbauer

The enacted number is 16949.

A Public Hearing was held and closed. This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

9. Proposed Motion No. 2025-0340

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Laura Zaichkin, who resides in council district eight, to the Harborview Medical Center board of trustees, as the district eight representative.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

The enacted number is 16950.

A Public Hearing was held and closed. This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

10. Proposed Substitute Motion No. 2025-0355.2

A MOTION confirming the appointment of Minh Duc Nguyen to the citizens' elections oversight committee as a representative of the Vietnamese-speaking community.

Sponsors: Perry

The enacted number is 16951.

A Public Hearing was held and closed. This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

11. Proposed Motion No. 2026-0001

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Richa Malik, who resides in council district nine, to the Harborview Medical Center board of trustees, as the council district seven representative.

Sponsors: von Reichbauer

The enacted number is 16952.

A Public Hearing was held and closed. This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

Passed On The Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Barón that the Consent Agenda be passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Fain, Lewis, Perry, and von Reichbauer

Excused: 1 - Mosqueda

12. Reports on Special and Outside Committees

No reports were given.

Other Business

No other business was presented.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:57 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature