



King County

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Meeting Minutes

Metropolitan King County Council

*Councilmembers: Claudia Balducci, Chair;
Joe McDermott, Vice Chair of Policy Development and Review;
Reagan Dunn, Vice Chair of Regional Coordination;
Rod Dembowski, Jeanne Kohl-Welles, Kathy Lambert, Dave
Upthegrove, Pete von Reichbauer, Girmay Zahilay*

1:00 PM

Tuesday, November 9, 2021

Virtual Meeting

DRAFT MINUTES

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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:13 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: 9 - Ms. Balducci, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Dunn, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Lambert, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Upthegrove, Mr. von Reichbauer and Mr. Zahilay

3. Flag Salute and Pledge of Allegiance

Councilmember McDermott read the poem Harlem, A Dream Deferred, by Langston Hughes.

4. Approval of Minutes of November 2, 2021

Councilmember McDermott moved to approve the minutes of the November 2, 2021, meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.

5. Additions to the Council Agenda

There were no additions.

Briefing**6. [Briefing No. 2021-B0148](#)**

A briefing from Public Health on the COVID-19 response.

Dennis Worsham, Interim Director, Public Health - Seattle & King County, briefed the Council on the COVID-19 response.

This matter was presented.

7. Special Item**Martin Luther King Medal of Distinguished Service Awards - Districts 1, 4, and 9**

Councilmember Dembowski presented the Martin Luther King Medal of Distinguished Service Award to Ming Ming Tung-Edelman. Ms. Tung-Edelman made remarks and thanked the Council.

Councilmember Kohl-Welles presented the Martin Luther King Medal of Distinguished Service Award to Carlye Teel, Executive Director, Ballard NW Senior Center. Ms. Teel made remarks and thanked the Council.

Councilmember Dunn presented the Martin Luther King Medal of Distinguished Service Award to Carmen Goers and shared a video. Ms. Goers made remarks and thanked the Council.

Hearing and Second Reading of Ordinances from Standing Committees and Regional Committees, and of Ordinances related to Collective Bargaining**Mobility and Environment****8. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2021-0301.2](#)**

AN ORDINANCE establishing a commercial property assessed clean energy and resiliency financing program; amending Ordinance 4461, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 20.22.040 and Ordinance 4461, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 20.22.040 and adding a new chapter to K.C.C Title 18.

Sponsors: Mr. Dembowski, Ms. Balducci, Ms. Kohl-Welles and Mr. Zahilay

Councilmember Upthegrove made a motion to defer Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2021-0301 for one week, to the November 16, 2021 Council agenda. Seeing no objection the Chair so ordered.

*A Public Hearing was held and closed. The following people spoke:
Court Olson
Deepa Sivarajan*

A Public Hearing was held and closed. This matter was Deferred.

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

Consent Items 9-25

9. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0285](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of a report providing analysis of the causes and consequences of the January 13, 2021, discharges of untreated wastewater into Puget Sound and Lake Washington from the West Point Treatment Plant and several pump stations as required by Motion 15832.

Sponsors: Mr. Dunn

The enacted number is 15963.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

10. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0299](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Jessica Bloom, who resides in council district three, to the King County agriculture commission.

Sponsors: Ms. Lambert

Councilmember Balducci announced that Proposed Motion 2021-0299 would be deferred one week, to the November 16, 2021, Council agenda. Seeing no objection it was so ordered.

This matter was Deferred.

11. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0300](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Janet Keller, who resides in council district three, to the King County agriculture commission.

Sponsors: Ms. Lambert

Councilmember Balducci announced that Proposed Motion 2021-0300 would be deferred one week, to the November 16, 2021, Council agenda. Seeing no objection it was so ordered.

This matter was Deferred.

12. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0332](#)

A MOTION relating to public transportation; acknowledging receipt of the Access paratransit service update submitted in response to the 2021-2022 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19210, Section 113, Proviso P2.

Sponsors: Mr. Dembowski

The enacted number is 15964.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

13. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0338](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Tracy Banaszynski, who resides in council district one, to the King County parks levy oversight board, as the district one representative.

Sponsors: Mr. Dembowski

The enacted number is 15965.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

14. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0340](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Yvonne Thomas, who resides in council district three, to the King County parks levy oversight board, as the district three representative.

Sponsors: Ms. Lambert

Councilmember Balducci announced that Proposed Motion 2021-0340 would be deferred one week, to the November 16, 2021, Council agenda. Seeing no objection it was so ordered.

This matter was Deferred.

15. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0341](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of BrynDel Swift, who resides in council district four, to the King County parks levy oversight board, as the district four representative.

Sponsors: Ms. Kohl-Welles

The enacted number is 15966.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

16. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0342](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Jeron Gates, who resides in council district five, to the King County parks levy oversight board, as the district five representative.

Sponsors: Mr. Upthegrove

The enacted number is 15967.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

17. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0343](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Kevin Killeen, who resides in council district six, to the King County parks levy oversight board, as the district six representative.

Sponsors: Ms. Balducci

The enacted number is 15968.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

18. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0344](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Mike Murphy, who resides in council district seven, to the King County parks levy oversight board, as the district seven representative.

Sponsors: Mr. von Reichbauer

The enacted number is 15969.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

19. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0345](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Thomas Stafford, who resides in council district nine, to the King County parks levy oversight board, as the district nine representative.

Sponsors: Mr. Dunn

The enacted number is 15970.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

20. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0357](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Fred Swanson to the King County gender identity and sexual orientation inclusion task force, representing Gay City.

Sponsors: Mr. McDermott

The enacted number is 15971.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

21. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0358](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Catherine West to the King County gender identity and sexual orientation inclusion task force, representing Legal Voice.

Sponsors: Mr. McDermott

The enacted number is 15972.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

22. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0359](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Dennis Worsham to the King County gender identity and sexual orientation inclusion task force, representing the King County department of public health.

Sponsors: Mr. McDermott

The enacted number is 15973.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

23. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0360](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Al Guerra to the King County gender identity and sexual orientation inclusion task force, representing Seattle Counseling Service.

Sponsors: Mr. McDermott

The enacted number is 15974.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

24. [Proposed Substitute Motion No. 2021-0390.2](#)

A MOTION authorizing the King County executive to accept a donation of seven million five-hundred thousand dollars from Amazon, to aid the King County parks and recreation division of the department of natural resources and parks in completion of the two Wilburton projects of Eastrail.

Sponsors: Ms. Balducci

The enacted number is 15975.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

25. [Proposed Substitute Motion No. 2021-0417.2](#)

A MOTION making an appointment to fill a judicial vacancy in the south division, southeast electoral district, judge position number one of the King County district court.

Sponsors: Mr. McDermott

The enacted number is 15976.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

Passed On The Consent Agenda

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

Yes: 9 - Ms. Balducci, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Dunn, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Lambert, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Upthegrove, Mr. von Reichbauer, and Mr. Zahilay

Local Services

26. [Proposed Substitute Motion No. 2021-0287.2](#)

A MOTION requesting the executive review home occupation and home industry regulations and update as necessary to account for workforce and business operation changes related to the COVID-19 pandemic; and requiring a report.

Sponsors: Mr. Dunn

The enacted number is 15977.

A motion was made by Councilmember Dunn that this Motion be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Ms. Balducci, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Dunn, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Lambert, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Upthegrove, Mr. von Reichbauer, and Mr. Zahilay

First Reading and Referral of Ordinances

27. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2021-0426](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to the creation of criminal court commissioner positions for the King County superior court; amending Ordinance 16819, Section 2, and adding a new section to K.C.C. chapter 2.69.

Sponsors: Ms. Balducci

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Law, Justice, Health and Human Services Committee.

First Reading and Referral of Motions

28. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0421](#)

A MOTION declaring a policy of the council to establish a neighborhood safety Learn and Educate; Assist and Develop; Engage and Recruit program led by the department of public safety.

Sponsors: Mr. Dunn

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Law, Justice, Health and Human Services Committee.

29. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0422](#)

A MOTION related to the transfer of retired vanpool vans to nonprofit organizations and local governments to meet the needs of low-income, seniors or young people or people with disabilities; and rescinding Motion 15893.

Sponsors: Ms. Lambert

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Mobility and Environment Committee.

30. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0423](#)

A MOTION relating to the King County Metro Transit Strategic Plan for Public Transportation 2011-2021 and King County Metro Transit Service Guidelines and accepting the King County Metro transit department 2021 System Evaluation.

Sponsors: Mr. Upthegrove

This is a dual referral first to the Regional Transit Committee and then to the Mobility and Environment Committee.

This is a nonmandatory referral to the Regional Transit Committee under KCC 1.24.065.I as an issue that would benefit from interjurisdictional discussion.

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Regional Transit Committee.

31. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0424](#)

A MOTION related to the transfer of retired vanpool vans to nonprofit organizations and local governments to meet the needs of low-income, seniors or young people or people with disabilities; and rescinding Motion 15894.

Sponsors: Mr. Upthegrove

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Mobility and Environment Committee.

32. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0425](#)

A MOTION requesting the King County sheriff establish a fentanyl interdiction task force to develop strategies and techniques to stop the flow of fentanyl in order to reduce fentanyl-related overdoses and deaths in the Puget Sound region through the development of strategies to enhance coordination among local law enforcement agencies, including a report; and requesting the sheriff to seek grants to assist in the development and implementation of recommended strategies and techniques identified by the task force.

Sponsors: Mr. Dunn

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Law, Justice, Health and Human Services Committee.

33. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0427](#)

A MOTION appointing a qualified city of Newcastle resident to a vacant position on the Newcastle city council.

Sponsors: Mr. Dunn

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

34. [Reports on Special and Outside Committees](#)

No reports were given.

Other Business

35. Labor Policy Committee

At 2:23 p.m., the Labor Policy Committee went into Closed Session for approximately 20 minutes, until 2:43 p.m.

At 2:42 p.m., the Chair announced that the Closed Session would be extended approximately 10 minutes, until 2:52 p.m.

The Labor Policy Committee meeting reconvened at 2:52 p.m.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:52 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature