



King County
Meeting Proceedings

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Metropolitan King County Council

Councilmembers: Larry Gossett, Chair;
Julia Patterson, Vice Chair of Policy;
Jane Hague, Vice Chair of Employment and Administration;
Dow Constantine, Reagan Dunn, Bob Ferguson, Kathy Lambert, Larry
Phillips,
Pete von Reichbauer

Room 1001

July 2, 2007

1:30 PM

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:06 p.m.
The meeting was recessed at 3:10 p.m.
The Chair reconvened the meeting at 5:01 p.m.
The meeting was recessed at 5:04 p.m. until 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 3, 2007
The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am.
The meeting was recessed at 9:00 a.m.
The Chair reconvened the meeting at 1:25 p.m. Tuesday, July 3, 2007

Roll Call

Present: Mr. Gossett, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Hague and Mr. Constantine

Flag Salute and Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Phillips led the flag salute and Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Approval of Minutes of June 25, 2007

Ms. Patterson moved to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2007 meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.

2. Reports on Special and Outside Committees

Ms. Patterson reported on the Board of Health. She stated the Board continues to do its work relating to the issues of trans fats and menu labeling in King County. At the next meeting the Board will be considering legislation relating to these items.

Mr. Phillips reported on the Sound Transit Board meeting. The Board took up the sale of a parcel of land adjacent to the Federal Way transit center to the city of Federal Way. Mr. Phillips indicated that Sound Transit will begin to integrate sustainable business practices and strategies. He also gave an update regarding link light rail.

Ms. Hague briefed the Council on the Washington State Association of Counties east/west conference in Walla Walla. She stated she had the opportunity to present the collaborative in ethics that was signed into effect by the King County Ethics and Elections Commission and the Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission. She indicated the idea is to have particular criteria that is embraced by all counties statewide. WSAC did endorse that, and all counties in the future will be moving towards the same criteria.

Hearing and Second Reading of Ordinances

Growth Management and Natural Resources

3. Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2007-0339.2 **Mr. Phillips**

AN ORDINANCE directing the development of a work program; expansion of water quality monitoring programs and scientific studies; and analysis of options to reorganize the office of the county executive or department of natural resources and parks to support the work of the Puget Sound Partnership and meet King County's responsibilities for the implementation of Washington State Engrossed Senate Bill 5372.

On 7/2/2007, a public hearing was held and closed.

The Chair indicated that Proposed Substitute Ordinance 2007-0339 is deferred until the July 9, 2007 Council meeting.

Deferred

Operating Budget, Fiscal Management and Mental Health

The Chair asked the Clerk to remind the members what was before them for action, as a continuation from the recessed meeting of July 2, 2007. The Clerk clarified that the Council was in a position to act on Items 4, 5 and 6.

4. Proposed Ordinance No. 2007-0281 **Mr. Phillips, Mr. Ferguson and Ms. Patterson**

AN ORDINANCE providing for the submission to the qualified electors of King County at a special election to be held on November 6, 2007, of a proposition to fund Medic One and emergency medical services by authorizing a regular property tax levy in excess of the limitations contained in chapter 84.55 RCW, for a consecutive six-year period, collection beginning in 2008, at a rate of not more than \$0.254 per one thousand dollars of assessed valuation in the first year and using the annual growth in the medical care consumer price index to establish the limit factor for the levy in years two through six, for the purpose of providing an efficient and effective regional response to medical emergencies.

On 6/25/2007, a public hearing was held and remained open.

On 7/2/2007, a public hearing was held and closed.

The following people appeared to speak on 7/2/2007 :

Mayor Robert L. Ransom
Hon. Linda Kochmar
Chief Walt Mauldin
Chief Mario Trevino
Hon. Roger Hershey
Chief Gregory Dean
Greg Markley
Alan Wike
Bob Zappone

The Chair indicated that Proposed Ordinance 2007-0281 is re-referred to the Operating Budget, Fiscal Management and Mental Health Committee.

Re-referred to Operating Budget, Fiscal Management and Mental Health Committee

5. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2007-0282.2](#)

Mr. Phillips, Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Patterson, Mr. Constantine, Mr. Gossett, Mr. Dunn, Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Hague and Ms. Lambert

AN ORDINANCE relating to the funding and provision of Medic One emergency medical services; providing for the submission to the electorate of King County, at a special election on November 6, 2007, a proposition imposing the levy of a regular property tax each year for six years, collection beginning in 2008, at a rate of ____ or less per \$1,000 of assessed valuation to continue to provide Medic One emergency medical services.

On 6/25/2007, a public hearing was held and remained open.

On 7/2/2007, a public hearing was held and closed.

The enacted number is 15861.

Mr. Ferguson moved Striking Amendment S2. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yes: 8 - Mr. Gossett, Mr. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Hague and Mr. Constantine

No: 0

Excused: 1 - Mr. Phillips

Mr. Ferguson moved title Amendment T2. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yes: 8 - Mr. Gossett, Mr. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Hague and Mr. Constantine

No : 0

Excused: 1 - Mr. Phillips

The Chair announced that Councilmember Phillips wanted the record to show him as a co-sponsor, and read the following statement from Councilmember Phillips regarding Medic One/EMS:

As the prime sponsor of the Medic One/EMS levy, I am pleased to fully support both striking amendments and have signed my name to both.

As you know, my chief concerns have been ensuring accountability to the taxpayers as well as making high quality services available to the public.

As a voter and a councilmember, I am pleased to have historically supported the Medic One/EMS levy at every opportunity, and I am pleased to support Medic One/EMS once again.

Thank you to the Medic One/EMS providers who advised the council through the stakeholder process, and thank you to my council colleagues and the council staff for their hard work on this levy.

The levy will ensure that we provide necessary funding to maintain and improve our world-class emergency medical services, while ensuring accountability to voters through regular audits, oversight of reserve funds and policies to make sure we are only collecting what we need.

I regret that I am unable to be present for today's Medic One/EMS vote. I sincerely wanted to fulfill the council's commitment to vote on Medic One/ EMS this week, but long-standing travel plans prevent me from attending this morning.

Sincerely,

Larry Phillips

A motion was made by Mr. Ferguson that this matter be Passed as Amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yes: 8 - Mr. Gossett, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Hague and Mr. Constantine

No: 0

Excused: 1 - Mr. Phillips

6. Proposed Ordinance No. 2007-0365

Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Constantine, Ms. Patterson, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Lambert, Ms. Hague, Mr. Dunn and Mr. von Reichbauer

AN ORDINANCE adopting financial policies and a financial plan for the emergency medical services fund, and establishing a committee to plan funding options for any subsequent levy periods.

On 7/2/2007, a public hearing was held and closed.

The enacted number is 15862.

Mr. Ferguson moved Striking Amendment S1.

Mr. Ferguson offered an amendment, on page 4, line 66, after 'The' and before 'strategic', to insert "proposed". Mr. Dunn offered a friendly amendment, on page 3, line 47, after 'division:' to insert "the city of Seattle medical director;" Ms. Lambert offered a friendly amendment, on page 4, line 66, after 'The', to insert "proposed". Mr. Ferguson accepted the amendments.

Mr. Ferguson's motion to adopt Striking Amendment S1, as amended, carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yes: 8 - Mr. Gossett, Mr. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Hague and Mr. Constantine

No: 0

Excused: 1 - Mr. Phillips

Mr. Ferguson moved Title Amendment T1. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yes: 8 - Mr. Gossett, Mr. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Hague and Mr. Constantine

No: 0

Excused: 1 - Mr. Phillips

Mr. Gossett thanked all staff who worked on this item, with particular thanks to William Nogle and Polly St. John.

A motion was made by Mr. Ferguson that this matter be Passed as Amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yes: 8 - Mr. Gossett, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Hague and Mr. Constantine

No: 0

Excused: 1 - Mr. Phillips

Transportation

7. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2007-0329.2](#) **Mr. Phillips**

AN ORDINANCE relating to the operation and maintenance of the Seattle Streetcar on behalf of the city of Seattle, adopting an agreement between King County and the city of Seattle and consenting to the city of Seattle's exercise of power reserved to King County in accordance with RCW 35.58.260.

On 6/25/2007, a public hearing was held and closed.

On 7/2/2007, a public hearing was held and closed.

The following people appeared to speak on 7/2/2007 :

Belle Silver

The enacted number is 15860.

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

Votes: Yes: 9 - Mr. Gossett, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Hague and Mr. Constantine

No: 0

Excused: 0

Motions for Council Action

Committee of the Whole

8. [Proposed Motion No. 2007-0274](#) **Mr. Gossett**

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Sherril Huff as director of the records, elections and licensing services division in the King County department of executive services.

The enacted number is 12532.

Ms. Huff thanked the Council.

A motion was made by Ms. Patterson that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yes: 9 - Mr. Gossett, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Hague and Mr. Constantine

No: 0

Excused: 0

Consent Items 9-14

9. **Proposed Motion No. 2006-0394** **Mr. Ferguson and Ms. Lambert**
A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of The Honorable David Baker, Deputy Mayor, city of Kenmore, who resides in Council district one, to the King County solid waste advisory committee, as a local elected official representative.
The enacted number is 12533.
This Matter was Passed on the Consent Agenda.
10. **Proposed Motion No. 2007-0004** **Ms. Hague and Mr. Phillips**
A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Ron Sher, who resides in Council district six, to the King County cultural development authority (4Culture).
The enacted number is 12534.
This Matter was Passed on the Consent Agenda.
11. **Proposed Motion No. 2007-0066** **Mr. Constantine**
A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Kevin Buckley, who resides in council district eight, to the King County rural forest commission.
The enacted number is 12535.
This Matter was Passed on the Consent Agenda.
12. **Proposed Motion No. 2007-0069** **Ms. Lambert**
A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Ron Baum, who resides in council district three, to the King County rural forest commission.
The enacted number is 12536.
This Matter was Passed on the Consent Agenda.
13. **Proposed Motion No. 2007-0360** **Mr. Constantine**
A MOTION approving the Dockton Road Preservation - north half and south half Alternatives Analysis Revised Work Plan.
The enacted number is 12537.
This Matter was Passed on the Consent Agenda.
14. **Proposed Motion No. 2007-0361** **Mr. Constantine**
A MOTION approving the Vashon Highway Preservation Alternatives Analysis Revised Work Plan.
The enacted number is 12538.
This Matter was Passed on the Consent Agenda.

Passed The Consent Agenda

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

Votes: Yes: 9 - Mr. Gossett, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Hague and Mr. Constantine
No: 0
Excused: 0

Regional Transit

15. **Proposed Substitute Motion No. 2007-0311.2** **Mr. Dunn**

A MOTION approving the 2007-2008 mission and goals of the transit division of the department of transportation.

The enacted number is 12539.

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

Votes: Yes: 9 - Mr. Gossett, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Hague and Mr. Constantine
No: 0
Excused: 0

Reappointment Consent Agenda Item 16

16. **Proposed Motion No. 2007-0287** **Ms. Lambert and Ms. Hague**

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Robert Blumenfeld, who resides in council district six, to the King County section 504/Americans with Disabilities Act advisory committee.

The enacted number is 12540.

Ms. Hague acknowledged the appointee resided in district three and offered a technical amendment. The Clerk clarified that this advisory committee does not have council district specific positions. The Chair acknowledged Ms. Hague's technical amendment and authorized the Clerk to make the correction.

This Matter was Passed on the Consent Agenda.

Passed The Consent Agenda

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

Votes: Yes: 9 - Mr. Gossett, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Hague and Mr. Constantine
No: 0
Excused: 0

Employment Committee Consent Agenda Item 17

17. Hire an Interim Policy Staff Director

A motion was made by Ms. Hague that this matter be passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yes: 9 - Mr. Gossett, Mr. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Constantine and Ms. Hague

No: 0

Excused: 0

Ms. Hague introduced Nancy Glaser, Interim Policy Staff Director. Ms. Glaser thanked the Council.

First Reading and Referral of Ordinances

18. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2007-0366](#) **Mr. Phillips and Mr. Dunn**

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the King County executive to enter into amended and restated contracts with respect to the sale of landfill gas generated at the Cedar Hills regional landfill.

Introduced and Referred to Growth Management and Natural Resources Committee

19. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2007-0367](#) **Mr. Gossett and Ms. Hague**

AN ORDINANCE related to exterior bus advertising; and amending the 2007 Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 15652, Section 99, as amended.

Introduced and Referred to Operating Budget, Fiscal Management and Mental Health Committee

20. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2007-0368](#) **Ms. Lambert and Mr. Phillips**

AN ORDINANCE naming the equestrian park at Trilogy in honor of Kathryn Taylor to recognize her dedication to the equestrian community in King County, her legacy of numerous equestrian projects in conjunction with King County and her instrumental role in the creation of this park.

Introduced and Referred to Growth Management and Natural Resources Committee

21. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2007-0371](#) **Mr. Gossett**

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the vacation of a portion of 56th Avenue South, dedicated as Pennsylvania Avenue, File V-2584, Petitioner: Peter J. Christensen.

Introduced and Referred to Hearing Examiner

First Reading and Referral of Motions

22. [Proposed Motion No. 2007-0362](#) **Mr. Phillips**

A MOTION approving a report on noxious weed control by county land managers as meeting the requirements in the 2007 Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 15625, Section 72, Proviso P1.

Introduced and Referred to Growth Management and Natural Resources Committee

23. **Proposed Motion No. 2007-0369** **Mr. Gossett**
A MOTION approving the King County executive's response to the 2007 Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 15652, Section 28, Proviso P2, regarding the King County animal control citizen's advisory committee.
Introduced and Referred to General Government and Labor Relations Committee
24. **Proposed Motion No. 2007-0370** **Ms. Lambert**
A MOTION appointing the King County prosecuting attorney.
Introduced and Referred to Committee of the Whole

Other Business

The Chair asked for a moment of silence regarding the passing of former King County Councilmember Bernice Stern. He indicated Ms. Stern served on the Council from 1969 to 1980.

Ms. Lambert commented and praised EMS regarding a rescue mission on June 23, 2007 near Snoqualmie Pass, using the hoist for the helicopter.

Rereferral

25. **Proposed Motion No. 2007-0358** **Mr. von Reichbauer and Mr. Phillips**
A MOTION authorizing the chair of the council to enter into a contract for services to represent the county with the Washington state legislature.
Re-referred to External Affairs Committee
26. Introduction of newly hired Legislative Branch employees
Ms. Hague introduced Janna Lewis, recently hired as Deputy Ombudsman.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:01 p.m. Tuesday, July 3, 2007

Approved this _____ day of _____.

Clerk's Signature