



King County

1200 King County
Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Meeting Minutes Law and Justice Committee

Councilmembers:
Jorge L. Barón, Chair;
Claudia Balducci, Vice-Chair;
Rod Dembowski, Teresa Mosqueda

Lead Staff: Leah Krekel-Zoppi (206-477-0892)
Committee Clerk: Gabbi Williams (206-477-7470)

9:30 AM

Wednesday, September 3, 2025

Hybrid Meeting

DRAFT MINUTES

1. **Call to Order**

Chair Barón called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Present: 4 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski and Mosqueda

3. **Approval of Minutes**

Councilmember Balducci moved approval of the minutes of the July 29, 2025 meeting. Seeing no objections, the minutes were approved.

4. **Public Comment**

The following individuals were present to provide public comment:
Alex Tsimmerman

Discussion and Possible Action

5. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0201](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of a report on the results of an analysis of racial disparities in response to infractions as required by the 2025 Annual Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19861, Section 54, Proviso P1.

Leah Krekel-Zoppi, Council staff, briefed the committee. Dr. Jennifer Albright, Deputy Chief of Administration, Department of Adult and Juvenile Detention, and Allen Nance, Director, Department of Adult and Juvenile Detention, also addressed the committee and answered questions from the members.

This matter was Deferred

6. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0220](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of a plan for use of the west wing of the King County Correctional Facility as an area to provide alternatives to secure detention services as required by the 2025 Annual Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19861, Section 54, Proviso P2.

Leah Krekel-Zoppi, Council staff, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members. Steve Larsen, Deputy Director, Department of Adult and Juvenile Detention, and Susan McLaughlin, Division Director, Behavioral Health and Recovery Division, Department of Community and Human Services, also addressed the committee and answered questions from the members.

A motion was made by Councilmember Balducci that this Motion be Recommended Do Pass Consent. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski and Mosqueda

7. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0206](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of an independent monitoring report on the confinement of juveniles in county detention facilities as required by the 2025 Annual Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19861, Section 54, Proviso P3.

Leah Krekel-Zoppi, Council staff, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members. Allen Nance, Director, Department of Adult and Juvenile Detention, and Kathryn Olson, Independent Monitor, also addressed the committee and answered questions from the members.

Councilmember Balducci moved Amendment 1. The Amendment was adopted.

A motion was made by Councilmember Balducci that this Motion be Recommended Do Pass Substitute. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Balducci, Barón and Mosqueda

No: 1 - Dembowski

Other Business

There was no other business to come before the committee.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____.

Clerk's Signature