



# King County

1200 King County  
Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

## Meeting Minutes Budget and Fiscal Management Committee

**Councilmembers:**  
*Rod Dembowski, Chair;*  
*Jorge L. Barón, Vice Chair;*  
*Claudia Balducci, Teresa Mosqueda, Sarah Perry, De'Sean  
Quinn, Girmay Zahilay*

**Lead Staff:** *April Sanders (206-263-3412)*  
**Committee Clerk:** *Gabbi Williams (206-477-7470)*

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9:30 AM

Wednesday, March 26, 2025

Hybrid Meeting

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### DRAFT MINUTES - REVISED AGENDA

1. **Call to Order**

*Chair Dembowski called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.*

2. **Roll Call**

**Present:** 7 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Mosqueda, Perry, Quinn and Zahilay

3. **Approval of Minutes**

*Councilmember Barón moved approval of the March 12, 2025 meeting minutes. There being no objections, the minutes were approved.*

4. **Public Comment**

*The following individuals were present to provide public comments:  
Nigel Herbig, Scott Morris, Will Daugherty, Derek Baker, Kerston Swartz, Mikkell  
Roeland, Joe Miles, Joy Shigaki, Malai Jenkins, Nicole Grant, Justin Moser, Aaron  
Garcia, Katherine Hollis, Samuel Ferrezano, Greg Ramirez, Kelly Carlson, Rachel  
Schaeffer, Kris Olsen, Heather Carney, Jen Southwell, Kerri, Ken Spencer, Mary Kay  
Anderson, Sarah Beth Wood, John Upthegrove, Laura Wright, and Brad Kelman.*

## Discussion and Possible Action

5. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0054](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the execution of a new lease to support the operation of local services and transit.

*Gene Paul, Council staff, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members.*

*Councilmember Mosqueda moved Amendment 1. The Amendment was adopted.*

**A motion was made by Councilmember Mosqueda that this Ordinance be Recommended Do Pass Substitute Consent. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Barón, Dembowski, Mosqueda, Perry, Quinn and Zahilay

**Excused:** 1 - Balducci

6. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0070](#)

AN ORDINANCE providing for the submission to the qualified electors of King County at a special election to be held in King County on August 5, 2025, of a proposition authorizing a property tax levy in excess of the levy limitation contained in chapter 84.55 RCW for a period of six consecutive years, at a total rate of not more than \$0.2351 per one thousand dollars of assessed valuation in the first year and limiting annual levy increases by the King County inflation plus population index published by the King County office of economic and financial analysis, or the chapter 84.55 RCW limitation, whichever is greater in years two through six for the purpose of maintaining and operating King County's open space system; improving parks, recreation, access, and mobility in King County by acquiring lands and continuing to develop and support parks, recreation facilities, and regional trails; improving parks and trails in and acquiring lands by metropolitan parks districts, towns and cities in King County; funding environmental education, maintenance and conservation programs at the Woodland Park Zoo; funding environmental education, maintenance and conservation programs at the Seattle Aquarium; funding development, maintenance, and programming for Seattle's Waterfront park; funding environmental and climate stewardship and education at Pacific Science Center; funding a capital project at Memorial Stadium; and funding capital improvements at public pools, for all King County residents.

*Sherrie Hsu, Jake Tracy, and Brandi Paribello, Council staff, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members. Warren Jimenez, Division Director, Parks and Recreation Division, Department of Natural Resources and Parks (DNRP), John Taylor, Director, Department of Natural Resources and Parks, and Dwight Dively, Director, PSB, also addressed the committee and answered questions from the members.*

*Councilmember Barón moved Striking Amendment S1. The Amendment was adopted. Councilmember Mosqueda moved Amendment 1 to S1. The Amendment was adopted. Councilmember Barón moved Amendment 2 to S1. The Amendment was adopted. Title Amendment T1 was not offered. Councilmember Barón moved Title Amendment T2. The Amendment was adopted.*

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

**Yes:** 5 - Barón, Dembowski, Mosqueda, Perry and Quinn

**Excused:** 2 - Balducci and Zahilay

7. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0077](#)

A MOTION related to a property tax levy for 2026 through 2031 for the purpose of: maintaining and operating King County's open space system; improving parks, recreation, access, and mobility in King County by acquiring lands and continuing to develop and support parks, recreation facilities, and regional trails; improving parks and trails in and acquiring lands by metropolitan parks districts, towns, and cities in King County; funding environmental education, maintenance, and conservation programs at the Woodland Park Zoo; funding environmental education, maintenance and conservation programs at the Seattle Aquarium; funding environmental and climate stewardship and education at Pacific Science Center; funding development, maintenance, and programming for Seattle's Waterfront park; funding a capital project at Memorial Stadium; and funding for capital improvements at public pools, for all King County residents.

*Sherrie Hsu, Jake Tracy, and Brandi Paribello, Council staff, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members. Joy Shigaki, President & CEO, Friends of the Waterfront, Warren Jimenez, Division Director, Parks and Recreation Division, Department of Natural Resources and Parks (DNRP), John Taylor, Director, Department of Natural Resources and Parks, and Dwight Dively, Director, Office of Performance, Strategy, and Budget (PSB), also addressed the committee and answered questions from the members.*

*Councilmember Barón moved Striking Amendment S1. The Amendment was adopted. Councilmember Barón moved Amendment 1 to S1. The Amendment was adopted. Councilmember Mosqueda moved Amendment 2 to S1. Councilmember Mosqueda offered an oral amendment to Amendment 2. On line 4, strike "The executive should submit a report on the plan no later than April 30, 2026." and on line 72 of S1 strike "F.,". Amendment 2 was adopted with the oral amendment accepted as friendly. Councilmember Mosqueda moved Amendment 3 to S1. The Amendment was adopted. Councilmember Mosqueda moved Amendment 4 to S1. The Amendment was adopted. Councilmember Mosqueda moved Amendment 5 to S1. The Amendment was adopted. Councilmember Mosqueda moved Amendment 6 to S1. Councilmember Mosqueda offered an oral amendment to Amendment 6 to add ",if permissible" on line 10 after "Steve Cox park". Amendment 6 was adopted with the oral amendment accepted as friendly.*

*Councilmember Mosqueda moved Amendment 7 to S1. The Amendment was adopted. Councilmember Mosqueda moved Amendment 8 to S1. The Amendment was adopted. Councilmember Mosqueda moved Amendment 9 to S1. The Amendment was adopted. Councilmember Mosqueda moved Amendment 10 to S1. The Amendment was adopted.*

*Councilmember Mosqueda moved Amendment 11 to S1. The Amendment was adopted.*

*Councilmember Dembowski offered an oral amendment to Attachment A. In the first bullet in Footnote 16, after "acquisitions" insert "and improvements to parks". The oral amendment was adopted.*

*Title Amendment T1 was not offered.*

*Councilmember Barón moved Title Amendment T2. The Amendment was adopted.*

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

**Yes:** 4 - Barón, Dembowski, Mosqueda and Quinn

**No:** 1 - Perry

**Excused:** 2 - Balducci and Zahilay

### **Other Business**

*There was no other business to come before the committee.*

### **Adjournment**

*The meeting was adjourned at 12:31 p.m.*

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

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Clerk's Signature