



King County

1200 King County
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, April 28, 2026

Hybrid Meeting

2ND REVISED AGENDA - ADDED ITEM 21 DRAFT MINUTES

Hybrid Meetings: Attend King County Council meetings in person in Council Chambers (Room 1001), 516 3rd Avenue in Seattle, or through remote access. Details on how to attend and/or provide comment remotely are listed below.

HOW TO PROVIDE PUBLIC TESTIMONY: The Council values community input and looks forward to hearing from you. Testimony must be limited to items listed on the agenda for council action, unless it's the fourth Tuesday of the month, when the Council will hear general comment on matters relating to county government. You are not required to sign up in advance.

There are three ways to provide public testimony:

1. **In person:** You may attend the meeting in person in Council Chambers.
2. **By email:** You may testify by submitting a COMMENT email. If your testimony is submitted before 10:00 a.m. on the day of the Council meeting, your email testimony will be distributed to the Councilmembers and appropriate staff prior to the meeting. Please submit your testimony by emailing clerk@kingcounty.gov.
3. **Remote attendance on the Zoom Webinar:** You may provide oral public testimony at the meeting by connecting to the meeting via phone or computer using the ZOOM application at <https://zoom.us/>, and entering the Webinar ID below.

CONNECTING TO THE WEBINAR

Webinar ID: 873 0459 1515

If you do not have access to the ZOOM application, you can connect to the meeting by calling 1 253 215 8782 and using the Webinar ID. Connecting in this manner, however, may impact your ability to be unmuted to speak.

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HOW TO LISTEN TO THE MEETING: There are several ways to listen to the meeting if you don't wish to provide public testimony:

- 1. Stream online via this link: <https://kingcounty.gov/kctv>, or input the link web address into your web browser.**
- 2. Watch King County TV on Comcast Channel 22 and 322(HD), and Astound Broadband Channels 22 and 711 (HD).**
- 3. Listen to the meeting by telephone – See “Connecting to the Webinar” above.**

1. Call to Order

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

2. Roll Call

Present: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Fain, Lewis, Mosqueda, Perry and von Reichbauer

3. Flag Salute and Pledge of Allegiance

Councilmember Dunn led the flag salute and Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Minutes of April 21, 2026

Councilmember Barón moved to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2026, meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.

5. Additions to the Council Agenda

Item 21 was added to the agenda.

6. Special Item**Proclamation of April 2026 as Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month in King County**

Councilmember Balducci and Councilmember Barón made remarks and presented the proclamation to Amarinthia Torres, Co-Executive Director-Policy, Coalition Ending Gender-Based Violence; and Laurel Redden, Director of Communications & Policy, King County Sexual Assault Resource Center. Amarinthia Torres and Laurel Redden made remarks and thanked the Council.

Recognition of the 51st Anniversary of the Khmer Rouge Genocide

Councilmember Mosqueda and Councilmember Barón made remarks and presented the recognition to Jenny Ap, Sameth Mell, Suorsday Kadenn Sou, Sina Sam, and Thyda Chom. Jenny Ap, Sameth Mell, Suorsday Kadenn Sou, Sina Sam, and Thyda Chom made remarks and thanked the Council.

7. Public Comment

The following people spoke:
Kevin Altheimer
Yvette Dinish
Alex Tsimmerman
Danielle Wallace
Tonya Coburn
Susan VerGowe
Nikki Bragg
Melody Correia

*Joe Hannan
Nicole Caprice
Whitney Schrader
Kurt Schreiber
Maggie Austin
James Hietala
Amber Spady
Dennis Pearce
Alex Taber
Teresa Bechtold
Nivedita Tanwar
Raj Jadeja
Tim Brown
Vera Volk
Charles Vision
Jon Schrader
Sonu Batra
Travis Grizzel
Michael Westgaard
Austin Field
Scott Boze
Joseph Smith
Daniel Alvarado
John Houston
Jaeden Noll
Ryan Porter
Wren McDonald
Jeremy Ward
Gerry Grasseth
Aidan Farr
Travis Butcher
Casey Gifford
Richard Wilson
Erin Fenner
Andy Strehler
Rachel Brown
Lucas Smith
Chuck Lare
Zac Pinard
Luka Ukrainczyk
Bonnie Helms
Ben Tibbetts
Tarn Ohana
Oliver Hansen
Patricia Traub
Kristine Moreland
Marissa Bean
Jacki Riley
Lexyy Power
Brayden Pittsenbarger*

First Reading and Referral of Ordinances

8. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0091](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving an application for current use assessment for public benefit rating system, submitted by Debbie Mallery and John Van Wieringen for property located at 26218 SE 464th Street, Enumclaw, WA 98022, designated department of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E25CT005.

Sponsors: Perry

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Hearing Examiner.

9. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0092](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving an application for current use assessment for public benefit rating system, submitted by Robert Deppiesse for property located at 29609 Cherry Valley Road NE, Duvall, WA 98019, designated department of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E25CT007.

Sponsors: Perry

This matter was Introduced and Referred to the Hearing Examiner

10. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0093](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving an application for current use assessment for public benefit rating system, submitted by GROW Inc. for property located at 16034 Greenwood Avenue N, Shoreline, WA 98133, designated department of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E25CT019SH.

Sponsors: Perry

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Hearing Examiner.

11. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0094](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving an application for current use assessment for public benefit rating system, submitted by GROW Inc. for property located at 4807 SW 54th Street, Seattle, WA 98116, designated department of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E25CT021S.

Sponsors: Perry

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Hearing Examiner.

12. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0095](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving an application for current use assessment for public benefit rating system, submitted by Peter Schilling for properties located at 4447 and 14823 S 148th Street, Tukwila, WA 98027, designated department of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E25CT026T.

Sponsors: Perry

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Hearing Examiner.

13. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0096](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving an application for current use assessment for public benefit rating system, submitted by Kerry and Sarah Dochow for property located at 31515 NE Tolt Hill Road, Carnation, WA 98014, designated department of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E25CT031.

Sponsors: Perry

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Hearing Examiner.

14. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0099](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving and adopting the collective bargaining agreement negotiated by and between King County and the King County Juvenile Detention Guild, representing juvenile detention officers in the juvenile division of the department of adult and juvenile detention; and establishing the effective date of said agreement.

Sponsors: Perry

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Metropolitan King County Council.

15. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0101](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to the prevention, detection, and response to fraud, waste, and abuse of county-administered moneys, and creating an inspector general division within the office of public complaints.

Sponsors: Dembowski, Dunn, Perry, von Reichbauer and Fain

This matter was Introduced and Referred to the Government Accountability and Oversight Committee

16. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0102](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving and adopting the Coalition Labor Agreement negotiated by and between King County and the King County Coalition of Unions representing employees in the departments of executive services, local services, natural resources and parks, public health, and King County sheriff's office; and establishing the effective date of the agreements.

Sponsors: Perry

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Metropolitan King County Council.

First Reading and Referral of Motions

17. [Proposed Motion No. 2026-0085](#)

A MOTION approving the extension of the executive's appointment of Megan Pedersen as acting director of the King County department of human resources.

Sponsors: Barón

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

18. [Proposed Motion No. 2026-0089](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Brian Flaherty, who resides in council district nine, to the public defense advisory board, representing the Washington Defender Association.

Sponsors: Dunn

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Law and Justice Committee.

19. Reports on Special and Outside Committees**Other Business****Required notification pursuant to K.C.C. 4A.100.080****20. April 21, 2026, Exception Notification Regarding Transfer from the Public Transportation Infrastructure Capital Fund to the Metro Facility Security Improvements Budget - Project Number 1141996.**

Chair Perry announced that under K.C.C. 4A.100.080 a transfer of emergent need contingency exceeding 25% of total project costs shall be noticed on two council agendas to give councilmembers an opportunity to object at either of these meetings. In addition to the April 28, 2026, agenda the notification will also be included on the May 5, 2026, agenda. Unless a councilmember objects, the transfer will go forward.

Added Item 21

First Reading and Referral of Motions

21. [Proposed Motion No. 2026-0107](#)

A MOTION relating to the King County Regional Homelessness Authority, providing notice of King County's intent to terminate participation in the authority under the Amended and Restated Interlocal Agreement.

Sponsors: Dembowski and Dunn

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

Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting in honor of Larry Evans at 3:54 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature