



# King County

1200 King County  
Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

## Meeting Minutes

### Metropolitan King County Council

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

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1:30 PM

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

Hybrid Meeting

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**1. Call to Order**

*The meeting was called to order at 1:33 p.m.*

**2. Roll Call**

**Present:** 9 - Balducci, Dembowski, Dunn, Kohl-Welles, Perry, McDermott, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer and Zahilay

**3. Flag Salute and Pledge of Allegiance**

*Councilmember McDermott led the flag salute and Pledge of Allegiance.*

**4. Approval of Minutes of May 16, 2023**

*Councilmember Kohl-Welles moved to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2023, meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.*

**5. Additions to the Council Agenda**

*There were no additions.*

**6. Special Items****Council Service Awards**

*Councilmember Upthegrove made remarks and presented service awards to the following employees:*

*Janine Weihe - 25 years  
Elaida Burrow - 25 years  
Leah Krekel-Zoppi - 20 years  
Luc Poon - 10 years*

**Proclaiming May 2023 as Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Heritage Month**

*Councilmember Dembowski made remarks, introduced Tepatasi Vaina, Health Clinic Director, Utopia, and presented the proclamation with Kristina Logsdon, Chief of Staff, District 1. Tepatasi Vaina made remarks, thanked the Council and introduced Paris Yandall, Operations Director, Utopia. Paris Yandall made remarks and thanked the Council.*

**Proclamation of May 2023 as Treatment Court Month in King County**

*Councilmember Perry made remarks, presented the proclamation of May 2023, as Treatment Court Month in King County and introduced Judge Elizabeth Berns, King County Superior Court and Terese Anderson-Harper, graduate of the Family Treatment Court Program. Terese Anderson-Harper made remarks and thanked the Council.*

**7. Public Comment**

*The following people spoke:  
Alex Tsimmerman  
Marguerite Richard  
Andrea Lister-Pierce  
Julie Seitz  
Lanell Washington  
Dana Yang  
Joe Kunzler*

**Hearing and Second Reading of Ordinances from Standing Committees and Regional Committees, and of Ordinances related to Collective Bargaining**

**There will be one public hearing on Items 6-15 and 21**

*The Public Hearing was held under Public Comment*

**Consent Items 8-9**

**8. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2023-0104.2](#)**

AN ORDINANCE relating to King County district court electoral district boundaries for 2023; and amending Ordinance 16803, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 1.12.050.

**Sponsors:** Upthegrove

*The enacted number is 19614.*

**A Public Hearing was held and closed. This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.**

**9. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0156](#)**

AN ORDINANCE abolishing a county fund and transferring any remaining net assets and fund balance; and repealing Ordinance 17527, Section 160, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.200.650.

**Sponsors:** McDermott

*The enacted number is 19615.*

**A Public Hearing was held and closed. This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.**

**Passed On The Consent Agenda**

**A motion was made by Councilmember Kohl-Welles that the Consent Agenda be passed. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 9 - Balducci, Dembowski, Dunn, Kohl-Welles, Perry, McDermott, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

### **Government Accountability and Oversight**

10. **[Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2023-0152.2](#)**

AN ORDINANCE relating to translated voting materials; and amending Ordinance 18086, Section 2, and K.C.C. 2.16.136.

**Sponsors:** Upthegrove and Dembowski

*The enacted number is 19616.*

*Kendall Hodson, Chief of Staff, Elections, made remarks and thanked the Council.*

**A Public Hearing was held and closed. A motion was made by Councilmember von Reichbauer that this Ordinance be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 9 - Balducci, Dembowski, Dunn, Kohl-Welles, Perry, McDermott, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

### **Metropolitan King County Council**

11. **[Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0194](#)**

AN ORDINANCE approving and adopting the collective bargaining agreement negotiated by and between King County and the Professional and Technical Employees, Local 17 representing Transit Chief employees in the King County Metro Transit Department; and establishing the effective date of the agreement.

**Sponsors:** Upthegrove

*The enacted number is 19617.*

*Jeff Muhm, Chief Policy Officer, briefed the Council and answered questions.*

*Angela Marshall, Deputy Director, Office of Labor Relations, briefed the Council and answered questions.*

*Regan McBride, Union Representative, briefed the Council and answered questions.*

**A Public Hearing was held and closed. A motion was made by Councilmember Kohl-Welles that this Ordinance be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 9 - Balducci, Dembowski, Dunn, Kohl-Welles, Perry, McDermott, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

**12. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0196](#)**

AN ORDINANCE approving and adopting the collective bargaining agreement negotiated by and between King County and the Professional and Technical Employees, Local 17 representing Transit Superintendent employees in the King County Metro Transit Department; and establishing the effective date of the agreement.

**Sponsors:** Upthegrove

*The enacted number is 19618.*

*Jeff Muhm briefed the Council and answered questions.*

*Angela Marshall briefed the Council and answered questions.*

*Regan McBride briefed the Council and answered questions.*

**A Public Hearing was held and closed. A motion was made by Councilmember Kohl-Welles that this Ordinance be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 9 - Balducci, Dembowski, Dunn, Kohl-Welles, Perry, McDermott, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

**13. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0198](#)**

AN ORDINANCE approving and adopting the collective bargaining agreement negotiated by and between King County and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 117 representing employees in the King County Office of the Ombuds; and establishing the effective date of the agreement.

**Sponsors:** Upthegrove

*The enacted number is 19619.*

*Jeff Muhm briefed the Council and answered questions.*

*Maria Williams, Union Representative, briefed the Council and answered questions.*

*Angela Marshall briefed the Council and answered questions.*

**A Public Hearing was held and closed. A motion was made by Councilmember Kohl-Welles that this Ordinance be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 9 - Balducci, Dembowski, Dunn, Kohl-Welles, Perry, McDermott, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

## Hearing Examiner Consent Agenda Item 14

14. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2022-0447.2](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the vacation of a portion of 49th Avenue S / Kansas Street, file no. V-2733; Petitioners: Sergey and Vera Kondratyev.

**Sponsors:** Balducci and Upthegrove

*The enacted number is 19620.*

**A Public Hearing was held and closed. A motion was made by Councilmember Dembowski that this Ordinance be Passed on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 9 - Balducci, Dembowski, Dunn, Kohl-Welles, Perry, McDermott, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

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

### Consent Item 15

15. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0190](#)

A MOTION approving the job descriptions for positions within the office of public complaints/tax advisor.

**Sponsors:** Upthegrove

*The enactment number is 16365.*

**A Public Hearing was held and closed. A motion was made by Councilmember Kohl-Welles that this Motion be Passed on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 9 - Balducci, Dembowski, Dunn, Kohl-Welles, Perry, McDermott, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

## First Reading and Referral of Ordinances

16. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0197](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving and adopting the memorandum of agreement negotiated by and between King County and Professional and Technical Employees, Local 17 (Representing Employees in the Departments of Public Health and Community and Human Services), Service Employees International Union, Local 925 (Involuntary Commitment Specialists - Mental Health, Department of Community & Human Services), and International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 117 (Joint Units Agreement) regarding the June 2023 Behavioral Health Workforce Stabilization Bonus Program; and declaring an emergency.

**Sponsors:** Upthegrove and Dembowski

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

17. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0199](#)

AN ORDINANCE adopting and ratifying amendments to the 2021 King County Countywide Planning Policies.

**Sponsors:** Kohl-Welles

**This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Local Services and Land Use Committee.**

18. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0202](#)

AN ORDINANCE declaring a fifteen-month interim zoning ordinance regulating residentially zoned land in the Rural Town of Fall City; and amending Ordinance 10870, Section 340, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.12.030.

**Sponsors:** Perry

**This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Local Services and Land Use Committee.**



### First Reading and Referral of Motions

19. Proposed Motion No. 2023-0193

A MOTION authorizing the King County executive to accept a donation of five hundred thousand dollars from Kaiser Permanente of Washington, to aid the King County parks and recreation division of the department of natural resources and parks in completion of the Wilburton Trestle project of Eastrail.

Sponsors: Balducci

**This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Transportation, Economy and Environment Committee.**

20. Reports on Special and Outside Committees

*Councilmember von Reichbauer announced that King County employees and their families are invited to attend the Emerald Downs racetrack for King County Day on Sunday, July 9, 2023.*

### Other Business

### Proclamation/Recognition Presented in the Community

21. **Proclamation of May 29, 2023, as Memorial Day in King County**

*Councilmember Upthegrove acknowledged the Proclamation of May 29, 2023, as Memorial Day in King County.*

### Adjournment

*The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.*

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

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Clerk's Signature