



# King County

1200 King County  
Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

## Meeting Minutes Regional Policy Committee

*Councilmembers: Pete von Reichbauer, Chair;  
Jorge L. Barón, Sarah Perry*

*Sound Cities Association: Nancy Backus, Auburn, Vice Chair;  
Jay Arnold, Kirkland;*

*Armondo Pavone, Renton; Lynne Robinson, Bellevue  
Alternates: Dana Ralph, Kent; Jim Ribail, Carnation*

*City of Seattle: Debora Juarez, Eddie Lin  
Alt: Dionne Foster, Alexis Mercedes Rinck*

*Lead Staff: Miranda Leskinen (206-263-5783)  
Committee Clerk: Angelica Calderon (206-477-0874)*

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3:00 PM

Wednesday, May 13, 2026

Hybrid Meeting

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### DRAFT MINUTES -SPECIAL MEETING

Renton City Hall

7th Floor, Conferencing Center #726, 1055 S. Grady Way,  
Renton, WA 98057

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1. **Call to Order**

*Chair von Reichbauer called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.*

2. **Roll Call**

**Present:** 8 - Arnold, Backus, Pavone, von Reichbauer, Barón, Perry, Robinson and Ralph

**Excused:** 2 - Juarez and Lin

3. **Approval of Minutes**

*Mayor Backus moved approval of February 11, 2026, meeting minutes. There being no objections, the minutes were approved.*

## **Discussion and Possible Action**

4. **[Proposed Motion No. 2025-0252](#)**

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the summary letter and completion of the online annual report requirement for the Crisis Care Centers Levy, in accordance with Ordinance 19572, Section 7.C.9, and Attachment A to Ordinance 19783, Section VIII.A.

**Sponsors:** Mosqueda

*Sam Porter, Council staff, briefed the Committee on the legislation and answered questions from members. Denille Bezemer, Interim Deputy Director, Behavioral Health and Recovery Division (BHRD), Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS) Kelly Tongg, Project/Program Manager, Community & Human Services, DCHS and Katie Rogers, Chief of Staff, Community & Human Services Department, briefed the Committee via PowerPoint Presentation and answered questions from the members. Jennifer Winslow, Crisis Care Centers Strategic Planning Manager, BHRD, DCHS, also answered questions from the members.*

*Due to the design of the legislative tracking software used to produce the proceedings, the vote on this item is misreported. The correct vote is:*

Votes: Yes: 10 von Reichbauer, Barón, Perry, Arnold, Backus, Pavone, and Robinson.

No: 0

Excused: Juarez and Lin

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

**Yes:** 9 - Arnold, Backus, Pavone, von Reichbauer, Barón, Perry, Robinson and Ralph

**Excused:** 2 - Juarez and Lin

## Briefing

5. [Briefing No. 2026-B0054](#)

Solid Waste General Update

*Rebecca Singer, Solid Waste Division Director, King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks, briefed the Committee via PowerPoint presentation and answered questions from the members.*

**This matter was Presented**

## Adjournment

*The meeting was adjourned at 4:19 p.m.*

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

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Clerk's Signature