



King County

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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 7, 2026

Hybrid Meeting

REVISED AGENDA - ADDED ITEM 29

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1. Call to Order

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

Chair Barón recessed the meeting at 2:03 p.m.

Chair Barón reconvened the meeting at 2:07 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: 8 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Fain, Lewis, Mosqueda and von Reichbauer

Excused: 1 - Perry

3. Flag Salute and Pledge of Allegiance

Councilmember von Reichbauer led the flag salute and Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Minutes of March 24, 2026

Councilmember Dunn moved to approve the minutes of the March 24, 2026, meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.

5. Additions to the Council Agenda

Item 29 was added to the agenda.

6. Special Item**Proclamation of April 13-17, 2026, as Black Wellness Week in King County**

Councilmember Lewis made remarks, presented the proclamation, and introduced Christina Blocker, Co-Founder, elevate Black Wellness. Christina Blocker made remarks and thanked the Council.

Recognition of the 2026 Rainier Beach Vikings boys Basketball Team for their outstanding accomplishments

Councilmember Lewis and Executive Zahilay made remarks and presented the recognition to the 2026 Rainier Beach Viking boys Basketball Team and Coach Mike Bethea. Coach Bethea made remarks and thanked the Council. Achilles Reyna, Wes Armstrong, and Kam Babbs also spoke, sharing their perspectives on gun safety in schools.

County Service Awards

Executive Zahilay presented service awards to the following King County Employees:

METRO TRANSIT

Ruby Carlisle - 20 Years
Joyce Wiedemann - 20 Years
Rob Loer - 25 Years
Dhrup Chand - 35 Years

ADULT AND JUVENILE DETENTION

Michael West - 20 Years

COMMUNITY AND HUMAN SERVICES

Stephanie Moyes - 35 Years
Holly Woo - 40 Years

EXECUTIVE SERVICES

Hector Golla - 20 Years
Susan Broome - 25 Years
Jennifer Anshell - 30 Years

LOCAL SERVICES

Wesley Harvey - 30 Years
Rose LeSmith - 35 Years

PUBLIC HEALTH

Garrett Turner - 20 Years
Phala Chea - 20 Years
Heather Maisen - 20 Years
Starla Wright - 30 Years
Linh Le - 30 Years
Kim Vuong - 30 Years

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 6-10, 17, and 28

*The following person spoke:
Jeremy Ward*

Consent Items 7-10

7. [**Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2026-0026.2**](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to the sale of the surplus property located at XXX NE 140th Avenue, Woodinville, Washington, in council district three.

Sponsors: Perry

The enacted number is 20049.

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

8. [**Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0036**](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the King County executive to enter into an agreement with the Washington state Department of Commerce Public Works Board for loan financing for a wastewater capital project.

Sponsors: Dembowski

The enacted number is 20050.

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

9. [**Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0039**](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to the real estate excise tax, number 2 fund; and amending Ordinance 12076, Section 27, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.200.590 and Ordinance 10455, Sections 1, 3, 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.510.120.

Sponsors: Dembowski

The enacted number is 20051.

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

10. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0061](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to the 2025 levy of property taxes in King County for collection in the year 2026; and amending Ordinance 20030, Section 4.

Sponsors: Dembowski

The enacted number is 20052.

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 Dunn that the Consent Agenda be passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Fain, Lewis, Mosqueda, and von Reichbauer

Excused: 1 - Perry

Hearing Examiner Consent Agenda 11-16**11. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2026-0003.2](#)**

AN ORDINANCE concurring with the recommendation of the hearing examiner to approve, subject to conditions, the application for public benefit rating system assessed valuation for open space submitted by Mark Newcomb and Kathy Seamon for property located at 41710 SE 66th Street, Snoqualmie, WA, designated department of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E25CT001.

Sponsors: Perry

The enacted number is 20053.

This matter passed on the Hearing Examiner Consent Agenda.

12. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2026-0004.2](#)

AN ORDINANCE concurring with the recommendation of the hearing examiner to approve, subject to conditions, the application for public benefit rating system assessed valuation for open space submitted by Joe and Dana Gagner for property located at 25504 SE 394 Street, Enumclaw, WA, designated department of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E25CT002.

Sponsors: Perry

The enacted number is 20054.

This matter passed on the Hearing Examiner Consent Agenda.

13. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2026-0005.2](#)

AN ORDINANCE concurring with the recommendation of the hearing examiner to approve, subject to conditions, the application for public benefit rating system assessed valuation for open space submitted by Jeremy Calvert for property located at north and abutting 14035 107th Way SW, Vashon, WA, designated department of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E25CT003.

Sponsors: Perry

The enacted number is 20055.

This matter passed on the Hearing Examiner Consent Agenda.

14. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2026-0006.2](#)

AN ORDINANCE concurring with the recommendation of the hearing examiner to approve, subject to conditions, the application for public benefit rating system assessed valuation for open space submitted by Troy and Kristen Barrows for property located at 22332 and 22531 SE 474th Street, Enumclaw, WA, designated department of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E25CT004.

Sponsors: Perry

The enacted number is 20056.

This matter passed on the Hearing Examiner Consent Agenda.

15. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2026-0007.2](#)

AN ORDINANCE concurring with the recommendation of the hearing examiner to approve, subject to conditions, the application for public benefit rating system assessed valuation for open space submitted by Melissa Mohr and Eric Seidenberger for property located at 1705 SW 156th Street, Vashon, WA, designated department of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E25CT006.

Sponsors: Perry

The enacted number is 20057.

This matter passed on the Hearing Examiner Consent Agenda.

16. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2026-0008.2](#)

AN ORDINANCE concurring with the recommendation of the hearing examiner to approve, subject to conditions, the application for public benefit rating system assessed valuation for open space submitted by Darrin and Sherry Qualls for property located at 26244 SE 383 St, Enumclaw, WA, designated department of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E25CT008.

Sponsors: Perry

The enacted number is 20058.

This matter passed on the Hearing Examiner Consent Agenda.

Passed On The Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Fain that the Consent Agenda be passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Fain, Lewis, Mosqueda, and von Reichbauer

Excused: 1 - Perry

Motions, from Standing Committees and Regional Committees and Motions related to Collective Bargaining, for Council Action**Consent Item 17****17. [Proposed Substitute Motion No. 2026-0025.2](#)**

A MOTION related to public transportation, approving the King County Metro Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan 2025 and the King County Metro Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan 2026, in accordance with the Federal Transit Administration's Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan regulations and the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

Sponsors: Fain

The enacted number is 16963.

A motion was made by Councilmember Dunn that this Motion be Passed on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Fain, Lewis, Mosqueda, and von Reichbauer

Excused: 1 - Perry

First Reading and Referral of Ordinances

18. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0052](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving an application for current use assessment for public benefit rating system, submitted by Janice and Cody Hodge and Theresa Styka for property located at 46728 SE 161st Street, North Bend, WA 98045, designated department of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E25CT013.

Sponsors: Perry

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

19. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0053](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving an application for current use assessment for public benefit rating system, submitted by Richard Young for property located south and abutting 16532 426th Way SE, North Bend, WA 98045, designated department of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E25CT030.

Sponsors: Perry

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

20. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0065](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the vacation of a portion of 149th Avenue SE and portions of King County Road Nos. 949, 1182, 1244, and 23-23-5-4, lying between the Cedar River and the existing cul-de-sac limits for 149th Avenue SE north of Maple Valley Highway, V-2771; Petitioner: King County department of natural resources and parks water and land resources division.

Sponsors: Perry

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

21. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0066](#)

AN ORDINANCE updating the capacity charge methodology; and amending Ordinance 13680, Section 16, as amended, and K.C.C. 28.86.160.

Sponsors: Balducci

This is a dual referral first to the Budget and Fiscal Management Committee and then to the Regional Water Quality Committee.

This is a mandatory referral to the Regional Water Quality Committee as set forth in King County Charter Section 270.30 and K.C.C. 1.24.065.

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Budget and Fiscal Management Committee.

22. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0067](#)

AN ORDINANCE related to notification requirements for booking restrictions at King County adult detention facilities; and adding a new chapter to K.C.C. Title 2.

Sponsors: Dembowski

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

23. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0071](#)

AN ORDINANCE making a net supplemental appropriation of \$48,730,000 to various general fund agencies, a net supplemental appropriation of \$136,073,000 to various non-general fund agencies and a net supplemental appropriation of \$208,368,141 from various capital fund budgets; amending the 2026-2027 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 20023, Sections 16, 21, 21, 33, 33, 34, 34, 35, 43, 43, 46, 47, 50, 51, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 59, 60, 60, 64, 64, 70, 70, 71, 79, 80, 82, 83, 87, 90, 90, 91, 94, 94, 96, 96, 98, 98, 101, 102, 102, 103, 104, 105, 107, 109, 109, 110, 110, 111, 111, 115, 115, 116, 116, 122, 124, 126, 132, and 132, as amended, and Attachment A, as amended, adding a new section to Ordinance 20023, as amended, and repealing Ordinance 20023, Sections 17, 18, 19, 20, 27, and 28, as amended.

Sponsors: Dembowski

This matter was Introduced and Referred to the Budget and Fiscal Management Committee

First Reading and Referral of Motions

24. [Proposed Motion No. 2026-0064](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Sabina Perry, who resides in council district four, to the behavioral health advisory board, as a representative who has lived experience with one or more behavioral health conditions.

Sponsors: Barón

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Health, Housing, and Human Services Committee.

25. [Proposed Motion No. 2026-0068](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the first semiannual report on the status of activities related to contract management and compliance reporting protocols, as required by Ordinance 20023, Section 60, Proviso P1.

Sponsors: Barón

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

26. [Proposed Motion No. 2026-0072](#)

A MOTION approving a memorandum of understanding to restructure the Eastrail regional advisory council.

Sponsors: Balducci

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

27. Reports on Special and Outside Committees

No reports were given.

Other Business**Proclamations/Recognitions Presented in the Community****28. Recognition of the Annual Blessing of the Fleet**

Chair Barón announced that the Recognition of the Annual Blessing of the Fleet has been officially acknowledged and presented in the community

Added Item 29

First Reading and Referral of Ordinances

29. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0082](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving King County's partial participation in the city of Bellevue's Tax Increment Financing project, as authorized in RCW 39.114.020; and specifying conditions on the county's participation.

Sponsors: Balducci and Dunn

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Budget and Fiscal Management Committee.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:51 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature