



King County
Meeting Proceedings

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Operating Budget, Fiscal Management and
Mental Health Committee

*Councilmembers: Bob Ferguson, Chair; Jane Hague, Vice Chair;
Dow Constantine, Reagan Dunn, Julia Patterson*

*Staff: William Nogle (296-1632), Lead Analyst; Patrick Hamacher (296-1642),
Analyst; Mamie Marcuss (296-1638), Analyst; Wendy Soo Hoo (296-0352),
Analyst;
Polly St. John (296-1641), Analyst*

Gennevie Cook (205-5079), Committee Assistant

Room 1001

May 01, 2007

9:30 AM

SPECIAL MEETING

Call to Order

The Operating Budget, Fiscal Management and Mental Health Committee Special Meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m. by Bob Ferguson, Chair.

Roll Call

**Also present was Councilmember Kathy Lambert*

Present: Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Constantine, Mr. Dunn and Ms. Patterson

Excused: Ms. Hague

1. Approval of Minutes

Councilmember Patterson moved to approve the meeting minutes of April 25, 2007, as presented. The motion passed.

Briefing

2. Briefing No. 2007-B0093

Transit Biennial Budget - Budget Overview

Patrick Hamacher, Council Staff, briefed and answered questions of the Committee regarding the Transit Biennial Budget Overview. Kevin Desmond, General Manager, Transit Division, King County Department of Transportation, answered questions of the Committee regarding Transit Biennial Budgeting.

This matter was Presented.

Discussion and Possible Action

3. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2007-0224.3](#) **Mr. Phillips, Mr. Ferguson and Mr. Constantine**

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 21, 2007, 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 \$0.050 per one thousand dollars of assessed valuation in the first year with annual increases in the levy amount by the percentage change in the consumer price index in years two through six, for the purpose of providing funds to enable the continued and increased operation and maintenance supporting King County's regional and rural parks and recreation facilities and programs, and increased accessibility for the disabled; providing for the resubmission of the proposition to the voters at the special election held on November 6, 2007, should this measure be rejected by the voters at the August 21, 2007, election; and providing for other related matters.

Susan Neely, Council Staff, briefed and answered questions of the Committee regarding Proposed Ordinances 2007-0224.2 and 2007-0225.2 relating to the Parks Levy. Kevin Brown, Director, Parks and Recreations, King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks, Pam Bissonnette, Director, King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks, and Peggy Pahl, Legal Counsel, King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, answered questions of the Committee.

The following people spoke during Public Testimony

01) Paul W. Locke

A motion was made by Councilmember Patterson to adopt proposed Amendment R1. The motion passed 3-0 with Councilmembers Constantine and Hague excused.

A motion was made by Councilmember Patterson to adopt proposed Amendment R2. The motion passed 4-0 with Councilmember Hague excused.

A motion was made by Councilmember Patterson to adopt proposed Amendment R3. The motion passed 3-1 with Councilmember Dunn voting no and Councilmember Hague excused.

A motion was made by Councilmember Patterson to adopt proposed Amendment R4. The motion passed 4-0 with Councilmember Hague excused.

A motion was made by Councilmember Patterson to adopt proposed Amendments TR2 and TR3. The motion passed 4-0 with Councilmember Hague excused.

This item was EXPEDITED to the Metropolitan King County Council's agenda for Monday, May 7, 2007.

A motion was made by Ms. Patterson that this matter be Recommended Do Pass Substitute. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yes: 4 - Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Constantine, Mr. Dunn and Ms. Patterson

No: 0

Excused: 1 - Ms. Hague

4. Proposed Substitute Ordinance No.
2007-0225.3

Mr. Phillips and Mr. Ferguson

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 21, 2007, 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 \$0.05 per one thousand dollars of assessed valuation in the first year with annual increases in the levy amount by the percentage change in the consumer price index in years two through six, for the purpose of providing funds to King County, Seattle and suburban cities for trail and open space acquisitions and capital programs, with recognition of the health benefits associated with the accessibility of quality community parks, trails and open space, and for the purpose of providing funds to the Woodland Park Zoo for environmental education, conservation programs, green space acquisitions and capital improvement projects, excluding parking facilities, at the Woodland Park Zoo; and providing for other related matters.

Susan Neely, Council Staff, briefed and answered questions of the Committee regarding Proposed Ordinances 2007-0224.2 and 2007-0225.2 relating to the Parks Levy. Pam Bissonnette, Director, King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks, and Kevin Brown, Director, Parks and Recreations, King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks, answered questions of the Committee.

The following people spoke during Public Testimony

01) Paul W. Locke

A motion was made by Councilmember Patterson to adopted proposed amendment E1. The motion passed 4-0 with Councilmember Hague excused.

A motion was made by Councilmember Patterson to adopted proposed amendment E2. The motion passed 4-0 with Councilmember Hague excused.

A motion was made by Councilmember Patterson to adopted proposed amendment E3. The motion passed 4-0 with Councilmember Hague excused.

A motion was made by Councilmember Patterson to adopted proposed amendment E5. The motion passed 4-0 with Councilmember Hague excused.

A motion was made by Councilmember Patterson to adopted proposed amendment TE1 and TE2. The motion passed 4-0 with Councilmember Hague excused.

This item was EXPEDITED to the Metropolitan King County Council's agenda for Monday, May 7, 2007.

A motion was made by Ms. Patterson that this matter be Recommended Do Pass Substitute. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yes: 3 - Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Constantine and Ms. Patterson

No: 1 - Mr. Dunn

Excused: 1 - Ms. Hague

5. Proposed Ordinance No. 2007-0281

Mr. Phillips, Mr. Ferguson and Ms.
Patterson

AN ORDINANCE providing for the submission to the qualified electors of King County at a special election to be held on November 6, 2007, of a proposition to fund Medic One and emergency medical services by authorizing a regular property tax levy in excess of the limitations contained in chapter 84.55 RCW, for a consecutive six-year period, collection beginning in 2008, at a rate of not more than \$0.254 per one thousand dollars of assessed valuation in the first year and using the annual growth in the medical care consumer price index to establish the limit factor for the levy in years two through six, for the purpose of providing an efficient and effective regional response to medical emergencies.

Councilmember Kathy Lambert gave a few opening remarks.

Polly St. John, Council Staff, briefed and answered questions of the Committee regarding Proposed Ordinances 2007-0281 and 2007-0282 relating to the Medic One and EMS Levy.

Mayor John Wise, City of Enumclaw and Regional Policy Committee's Republican Caucus Chair, spoke regarding the EMS and Medic One Plan.

William Nogle, Council Staff, and Chris Bushnell, Economist, Department of Executive Services, answered questions of the Committee.

Deferred

6. Proposed Ordinance No. 2007-0282

Mr. Phillips, Mr. Ferguson and Ms.
Patterson

AN ORDINANCE relating to the funding and provision of Medic One emergency medical services; providing for the submission to the electorate of King County, at a special election on November 6, 2007, a proposition imposing the levy of a regular property tax each year for six years, collection beginning in 2008, at a rate of \$0.30 or less per \$1,000 of assessed valuation to continue to provide Medic One emergency medical services.

Councilmember Kathy Lambert gave a few opening remarks.

Polly St. John, Council Staff, briefed and answered questions of the Committee regarding Proposed Ordinances 2007-0281 and 2007-0282 relating to the Medic One and EMS Levy.

Mayor John Wise, City of Enumclaw and Regional Policy Committee's Republican Caucus Chair, spoke regarding the EMS and Medic One Plan.

William Nogle, Council Staff, and Chris Bushnell, Economist, Department of Executive Services, answered questions of the Committee.

Deferred

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 12:23 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____.

Clerk's Signature