



King County

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Meeting Minutes

Metropolitan King County Council

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Sarah Perry, Vice Chair of Policy Development and Review;
Reagan Dunn, Vice Chair of Regional Coordination;
Claudia Balducci, Jorge L. Barón, Rod Dembowski,
Teresa Mosqueda, De'Sean Quinn, Pete von Reichbauer*

1:30 PM

Tuesday, June 3, 2025

Hybrid Meeting

REVISED AGENDA - ADDED ITEM 16 DRAFT MINUTES

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- 3. Listen to the meeting by telephone – See “Connecting to the Webinar” above.**

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:39 p.m.

The Chair recessed the meeting at 2:27 p.m.

The Chair reconvened the meeting at 2:27 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Quinn, von Reichbauer and Zahilay

3. Flag Salute and Pledge of Allegiance

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

4. Approval of Minutes of May 27, 2025

Councilmember Dunn moved to approve the minutes of the May 27, 2025, meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.

5. Additions to the Council Agenda

A motion was made to add Proposed Motion 2025-0162 to the agenda for first reading of and action on motions without referral to committee.

Councilmembers von Reichbauer, Dunn and Barón objected.

Kendall Moore, Assistant Chief Legal Counsel, briefed the Council and answered questions.

Councilmember Barón withdrew his objection.

The Chair recessed the meeting at 1:48 p.m.

The Chair reconvened the meeting at 1:49 p.m.

Councilmember von Reichbauer withdrew his objection.

With the withdrawal of two objections, the motion carried to add Proposed Motion 2025-0162 to the agenda.

6. Special Items**Proclamation of June 2025 as 2SLGBTQIA+ Month in King County**

Councilmember Zahilay, Councilmember Quinn, and Councilmember Barón presented the proclamation and introduced Jaelynn Scott, Executive Director of the Lavender Rights Project; Falefia Jr. Brandon Fuamatu, Development Director for UTOPIA Washington; and Ken Shulman, Executive Director of the Lambert House. Jaelynn Scott, Falefia Jr. Brandon Fuamatu, and Ken Shulman made remarks and thanked the Council.

Proclamation of June 2025 as Ride Transit Month in King County

Councilmember Balducci presented the proclamation and introduced Kirk Hovenkotter, Executive Director, Transportation Choices Coalition; and Iz Berrang, Education and Engagement Manager, Transportation Choices Coalition. Kirk Hovenkotter made remarks and thanked the Council.

There will be one public hearing on Items 6-11

The following people spoke:

Alex Tsimerman

Beth Bazley

Amy Hamrick

Kathleen Heiman

Johna Thomson

Mike Webb

Ron Davis

Eric Durban

David Kappler

Ken Konigsmark

Dana Parnello

Gloria Hatcher-Mays

First Reading of and Action on Motions Without Referral to Committee

7. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0161](#)

A MOTION making an appointment to fill the vacancy in the position of state Senator for the 5th Legislative District.

Sponsors: Zahilay

The enacted number is 16820.

Councilmember Dunn made a motion to suspend the rules to take action without referral to committee pursuant to K.C.C. 1.24.085. The motion carried.

Victoria Hunt made remarks, answered questions, and thanked the Council.

Lily Aguilar made remarks, answered questions, and thanked the Council.

Martin Buckley made remarks, answered questions, and thanked the Council.

Councilmember Dembowski made an oral amendment to insert "Dr. Victoria Hunt" on Line 14. The motion carried.

The Chair recessed the meeting at 3:16 p.m.

The Chair reconvened the meeting at 3:21 p.m.

A Public Hearing was held and closed. A motion was made by Councilmember Mosqueda that this Motion be Passed as Amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Quinn, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

Excused: 1 - Perry

8. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0160](#)

A MOTION making an appointment to fill the vacancy in the position of state Representative for the 5th Legislative District.

Sponsors: Zahilay

The enacted number is 16821.

Councilmember Dunn made a motion to suspend the rules to take action without referral to committee pursuant to K.C.C. 1.24.085. The motion carried.

Zach Hall made remarks, answered questions, and thanked the Council.

Kristiana deLeon made remarks, answered questions, and thanked the Council.

Sean Kelly made remarks, answered questions, and thanked the Council.

The Chair recessed the meeting into Executive Session to evaluate the qualifications of a candidate for appointment to elective office as allowed by RCW 42.30.110(1)(h), at 4:23 p.m.

The Chair extended Executive Session for 15 minutes, until 4:38 p.m.

The Chair extended Executive Session for 10 minutes, until 4:48 p.m.

The Chair extended Executive Session for 5 minutes, until 4:53 p.m.

The Chair reconvened the meeting at 4:53 p.m.

Councilmember Perry made an oral amendment to insert "Zach Hall" on Line 17. The motion carried.

A Public Hearing was held and closed. A motion was made by Councilmember Dunn that this Motion be Passed as Amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Quinn, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

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

Consent Item 9

9. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0122](#)

AN ORDINANCE related to the priority hire program and allowing for changes to the criteria of "economically distressed areas" that reflects a revised methodology which enhances regional uniformity and aligns with evolving economic and demographic shifts; and amending Ordinance 18672, Section 2, and K.C.C. 12.18A.010.

Sponsors: Quinn

The enacted number is 16822.

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

Yes: 8 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Quinn, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

Excused: 1 - Perry

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

Consent Item 10

10. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0113](#)

A MOTION relating to the Skyway-West Hill Community Center project; acknowledging receipt of the parks community center plan relating to the Skyway-West Hill Community Center project as required by the 2023-2024 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19546, Section 101, Proviso P1, as amended by Ordinance 19633, Section 75.

Sponsors: Zahilay

The enacted number is 16823.

A Public Hearing was held and closed. 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, Mosqueda, Quinn, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

Excused: 1 - Perry

Reappointment Consent Agenda Item 11

11. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0155](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Stacy Graven, who resides in council district six, to the Washington State Major League Baseball Stadium Public Facilities District board of directors.

Sponsors: Balducci

The enacted number is 16824.

A Public Hearing was held and closed. 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, Mosqueda, Quinn, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

Excused: 1 - Perry

First Reading and Referral of Ordinances

12. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0134](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving City of Auburn 2024 Comprehensive Sewer Plan dated November 2024.

Sponsors: von Reichbauer

This matter was Introduced and Referred to the Local Services and Land Use Committee

13. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0153](#)

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

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

14. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0156](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Brian Berry, who resides in council district one, to the King County veterans advisory board.

Sponsors: Dembowski

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

15. [Reports on Special and Outside Committees](#)

No reports were given.

Other Business

Added Item 16

16. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0162](#)

A MOTION expressing no confidence in the ability of John Arthur Wilson to continue to carry out the duties of King County assessor and calling for John Arthur Wilson's immediate resignation.

Sponsors: Balducci

Councilmember Balducci made a motion to suspend the rules to take action without referral to committee pursuant to K.C.C. 1.24.085.

Voting on the motion to suspend the rules without referral to committee, the motion failed by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Councilmember Balducci, Councilmember Mosqueda, Councilmember Zahilay.

No: 5 - Councilmember Barón; Councilmember Dembowski, Councilmember Dunn, Councilmember Quinn, and Councilmember von Reichbauer.

Excused: 1 - Councilmember Perry.

Councilmember Zahilay announced that Proposed Motion 2025 0162 was deferred one week to the June 10, 2025, Council meeting for action.

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

This matter was Deferred

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature