



King County

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Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Meeting Minutes Transportation, Economy, and Environment Committee

Councilmembers:
Rod Dembowski, Chair;
Pete von Reichbauer, Vice Chair;
Claudia Balducci, Jeanne Kohl-Welles, Joe McDermott

Lead Staff: Jake Tracy (206-263-0875)
Co-Lead: Sherrie Hsu (206-477-7253)
Committee Clerk: Gabbi Williams (206 477-7470)

9:30 AM

Thursday, November 16, 2023

Hybrid Meeting

SPECIAL MEETING

1. **Call to Order**

Chair Dembowski called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Also in attendance was Councilmember Perry.

Present: 5 - Dembowski, von Reichbauer, Balducci, McDermott and Kohl-Welles

3. **Approval of Minutes**

Councilmember von Reichbauer moved approval of the October 17, 2023 meeting minutes. There being no objections, the minutes were approved.

4. **Public Comment**

*The following individuals were present to provide public comment:
Katie Wilson, Alex Tsimmerman, David Jones, Steve Hooper, Simone Barron,
Juergen Oswald, Thomas Rheinhard, Calvin Freatman, Trey Jaqua, Leah Levar,
John Bagge, Dianna Currie, Aiden Statler, Nicolas Marin, Juriana Spierenuerg, Jade
Ince, Skylar Schmitt, Andrew Stout, Julianna Dauble, Susan Davis, Lauren
Silver-Turner, Clayton Krueger, David Glenn, Alejandra Tres, Leann Krainick, Artie
Nosrati, and Sarah Cherin.*

Consent

5. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0320](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Darron Lewis, who resides in council district one, to the King County transit advisory commission.

Sponsors: Dembowski

Councilmember Dembowski made a motion to remove item 5, 2023-0320, from the consent agenda. The motion was approved.

This matter was Deferred

6. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0321](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Zaref Anderson, who resides in council district two, to the King County transit advisory commission.

Sponsors: Zahilay

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

Yes: 5 - Dembowski, von Reichbauer, Balducci, McDermott and Kohl-Welles

7. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0322](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of John Rodriguez, who resides in council district two, to the King County transit advisory commission.

Sponsors: Zahilay

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

Yes: 5 - Dembowski, von Reichbauer, Balducci, McDermott and Kohl-Welles

8. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0323](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Jonathan Chen, who resides in council district four, to the King County transit advisory commission.

Sponsors: Kohl-Welles

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

Yes: 5 - Dembowski, von Reichbauer, Balducci, McDermott and Kohl-Welles

9. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0324](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Prem Subedi, who resides in council district five, to the King County transit advisory commission.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

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

Yes: 5 - Dembowski, von Reichbauer, Balducci, McDermott and Kohl-Welles

10. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0325](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Devin Branson, who resides in council district eight, to the King County transit advisory commission.

Sponsors: McDermott

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

Yes: 5 - Dembowski, von Reichbauer, Balducci, McDermott and Kohl-Welles

11. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0326](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Tina Tufts, who resides in council district nine, to the King County transit advisory commission.

Sponsors: Dunn

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

Yes: 5 - Dembowski, von Reichbauer, Balducci, McDermott and Kohl-Welles

12. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0401](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Jay Blazey, who resides in council district one, to the King County solid waste advisory committee, as a representative of manufacturers located in King County.

Sponsors: Dembowski

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

Yes: 5 - Dembowski, von Reichbauer, Balducci, McDermott and Kohl-Welles

13. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0377](#)

A MOTION authorizing the King County executive to accept a donation of three parcels on Vashon Island, WA, appraised at seventy-five thousand dollars, for habitat conservation and land stewardship purposes.

Sponsors: McDermott

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

Yes: 5 - Dembowski, von Reichbauer, Balducci, McDermott and Kohl-Welles

14. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0279](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the King County executive to execute an interlocal agreement with the city of Seattle concerning disposition of residual materials sorted from source-separated recyclables from King County's solid waste jurisdiction and processed at material recovery facilities within the city of Seattle.

Sponsors: Kohl-Welles

A motion was made by Councilmember Balducci that this Ordinance be Recommended Do Pass Consent. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Dembowski, von Reichbauer, Balducci, McDermott and Kohl-Welles

15. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0367](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to public transportation, extending the one-dollar rate for low-income fare on buses, trolleys, transit vans, dial-a-ride vehicles, and streetcars from twelve months to twenty-four months; amending Ordinance 19532, Section 3, and establishing an expiration date.

Sponsors: Dembowski

A motion was made by Councilmember Balducci that this Ordinance be Recommended Do Pass Consent. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Dembowski, von Reichbauer, Balducci, McDermott and Kohl-Welles

Briefing

16. [Briefing No. 2023-B0118](#)

Metro GM Briefing

Michelle Allison, General Manager, Metro Transit, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members.

This matter was Presented

Discussion and Possible Action

17. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0340](#)

A MOTION expressing support for the Re+ Strategic Plan.

Sponsors: Perry and Dembowski

Terra Rose, Council staff, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members. Pat McLaughlin, Director, Solid Waste Division, and Amy Ockerlander, Government Relations Administrator, Solid Waste Division, also addressed the committee.

This matter was Recommended Do Pass Consent

Yes: 5 - Dembowski, von Reichbauer, Balducci, McDermott and Kohl-Welles

18. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0310](#)

AN ORDINANCE establishing an hourly minimum wage for employees of employers in unincorporated King County, employees of certain county contractors, and county employees; amending Ordinance 17909, Section 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.18.010, Ordinance 17909, Section 5, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.18.020, and Ordinance 17909, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.18.030, adding a new chapter to K.C.C. Title 12, and repealing Ordinance 17909, Section 8, and K.C.C. 3.18.050, Ordinance 17909, Section 9, and K.C.C. 3.18.060, and Ordinance 17909, Section 11, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.18.080, and establishing an effective date.

Sponsors: Zahilay, Dembowski, Kohl-Welles, McDermott and Baron

Andrew Kim, Council staff, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members. Penny Lipsou, Director of Council Relations, King County Executive, also addressed the committee.

This matter was Deferred

19. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0261](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of a biosolids thermal drying phase 2 report, prepared in accordance with the 2023-2024 Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19546, Section 113, Expenditure Restriction ER2 and Proviso P1.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

Jenny Giambattista, Council staff, briefed the committee. Kamuron Gurol, Director, Wastewater Treatment Division, DNRP, and Shirlee Tan, Senior Toxicologist, Public Health – Seattle King County, also addressed the committee and answered questions from the members.

A motion was made by Councilmember Balducci that this Motion be Recommended Do Pass. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Dembowski, von Reichbauer, Balducci, McDermott and Kohl-Welles

20. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0352](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving the grant funding allocation for the projects funded through the WaterWorks grant program, for the 2023-2024 cycle, in accordance with the 2023-2024 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19546, Section 113, and Ordinance 18031, Section 1, as amended.

Sponsors: Dembowski and Kohl-Welles

Jenny Giambattista, Council staff, briefed the committee. Elizabeth Loudon, WaterWorks Grant Manager, King County Wastewater Treatment Division, also addressed the committee.

Councilmember Balducci moved Amendment 1. The Amendment was adopted. Councilmember Kohl-Welles offered an oral amendment to amend Amendment 1 by changing the letter W to the letter M on page 4 line 79 of Amendment 1. The amendment was adopted.

A motion was made by Councilmember Balducci that this Ordinance be Recommended Do Pass Substitute Consent. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Dembowski, von Reichbauer, Balducci, McDermott and Kohl-Welles

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m

Approved this _____ day of _____.

Clerk's Signature