



King County

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516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Meeting Minutes

Metropolitan King County Council

*Councilmembers: Dave Upthegrove, Chair;
Girmay Zahilay, Vice Chair of Policy Development and Review;
Reagan Dunn, Vice Chair of Regional Coordination;
Claudia Balducci, Jorge Barón, Rod Dembowski,
Teresa Mosqueda, Sarah Perry, Pete von Reichbauer*

1:30 PM

Tuesday, November 5, 2024

Hybrid Meeting

REVISED AGENDA DRAFT MINUTES

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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:33 p.m.

2. Roll Call

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

3. Flag Salute and Pledge of Allegiance

Councilmember Perry led the flag salute and Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Minutes of October 22, 2024

Councilmember Zahilay moved to approve the minutes of the October 22, 2024, meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.

5. Additions to the Council Agenda

There were no additions.

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 and 8-15

*The following people spoke:
Alex Timmerman*

Consent Item 6

6. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2024-0245.2](#)

AN ORDINANCE related to the for-hire transportation industry, authorizing background checks through the Washington State Patrol and the Federal Bureau of Investigation when considering an application for an enhanced regional for-hire driver license; and amending Ordinance 19700, Section 13, and K.C.C. 6.65.110.

Sponsors: von Reichbauer

The enacted number is 19839.

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

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

Hearing Examiner Consent Agenda Item 7

7. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2024-0219.2](#)

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 Brett and Elizabeth Egbert for property located at 29731 SE 392nd Street, Enumclaw, WA, designated department of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E24CT003.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

The enacted number is 19840.

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

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

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

Consent Item 8

8. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0289](#)

A MOTION confirming the appointment of Jake Prendez to the King County cultural development authority (4Culture) board.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

The enacted number is 16680.

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

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

Reappointment Consent Agenda Items 9-15

9. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0347](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Nancy Colson, who resides in council district seven, to the King County veterans, seniors and human services levy advisory board's seniors committee, as the district seven representative.

Sponsors: von Reichbauer

The enacted number is 16681.

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

10. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0348](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Olga Perelman, who resides in council district six, to the King County veterans, seniors and human services levy advisory board's vulnerable populations committee, as a district six representative.

Sponsors: Balducci

The enacted number is 16682.

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

11. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0349](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Gazel Tan, who resides in council district six, to the King County veterans, seniors and human services levy advisory board's seniors committee, as the district six representative.

Sponsors: Balducci

The enacted number is 16683.

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

12. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0354](#)

A MOTION confirming the King County board of health's reappointment of Esther Lucero and Abigail Echo-Hawk as the American Indian Health Commission for Washington State's nonelected regular member and alternate members, respectively, to serve on the King County board of health.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

Councilmember Mosqueda made a motion to remove Item 12 from the Consent Agenda and refer it to the Committee of the Whole. Seeing no objection the Chair so ordered.

A Public Hearing was held and closed. This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

13. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0355](#)

A MOTION confirming the King County board of health's reappointment of Katherine Gudgel as the King County board of health's selected nonelected member representing public health, health care facilities, and providers.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

The enacted number is 16684.

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

14. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0357](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Hannah Cavendish-Palmer, who resides in council district three, to the King County conservation futures advisory committee, as the district three representative.

Sponsors: Perry

The enacted number is 16685.

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

15. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0361](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Wendy Weiker, who resides in council district six, to the King County solid waste advisory committee, as a representative from the waste management industry.

Sponsors: Balducci

The enacted number is 16686.

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

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

First Reading and Referral of Ordinances**16. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0359](#)**

AN ORDINANCE relating to the sustained support programs for arts and heritage, and amending Ordinance 14440, Section 7, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.48.108 and Ordinance 14440, Section 8, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.48.109.

Sponsors: Balducci

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

17. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0370](#)

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

Sponsors: Perry

This matter was Introduced and Referred to the Committee of the Whole

18. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0371](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving and adopting the Memorandum of Agreement negotiated by and between King County and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 77, representing employees working in the transit facilities and rail divisions of the Metro transit department, and establishing the effective date of the agreement.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

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

19. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0372](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving and adopting the Memorandum of Agreement negotiated by and between King County and the Service Employees International Union, Local 925, representing employees in the department of natural resources and parks, and establishing the effective date of the agreement.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

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

20. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0377](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to the King County Doors Open Program to support cultural organizations; and amending Ordinance 19710, Section 8.

Sponsors: Balducci

This is a dual referral first to the Committee of the Whole and then to the Regional Policy Committee.

This is a mandatory referral to the Regional Policy 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 Regional Policy Committee.

First Reading and Referral of Motions

21. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0243](#)

A MOTION approving the 2023 annual mental illness and drug dependency evaluation summary report, in compliance with K.C.C. 4A.500.309.

Sponsors: von Reichbauer

This is a dual referral first to the Regional Policy Committee and then to the Health and Human Services Committee.

This is a nonmandatory referral to the Regional Policy Committee under K.C.C. 1.24.065.I as an issue that would benefit from interjurisdictional discussion.

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Regional Policy Committee.

22. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0284](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the proviso report on a crisis response program plan required by the 2023-2024 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19546, Section 21, as amended by Ordinance 19633, Section 17, Proviso P1.

Sponsors: Barón

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

23. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0293](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the second of two reports on progress toward addressing the legal system backlog that resulted from the COVID-19 pandemic, in response to the 2023-2024 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19546, Section 17, Proviso P4.

Sponsors: Barón

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

24. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0345](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of George Yeannakis, to the King County public defense advisory board, as a representative from the Washington State Office of Public Defense.

Sponsors: Barón

The Chair announced that the referral of Item 24, Proposed Motion 2024-0345, would be changed from the Law and Justice Committee to the Committee of the Whole. Seeing No objection, it was so ordered.

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

25. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0350](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Julia Colson, who works in council district four, to the King County veterans, seniors and human services levy advisory board's vulnerable populations committee, as the district four representative.

Sponsors: Barón

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

26. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0351](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Theresa Demeter, who resides in council district four, to the King County veterans, seniors and human services levy advisory board's seniors committee, as the district four representative.

Sponsors: Barón

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

27. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0352](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Brenda Farwell, who works in council district five, to the King County veterans, seniors and human services levy advisory board's seniors committee, as the district five representative.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

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

28. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0353](#)

A MOTION confirming the King County board of health's appointment of LaMont Green to serve as an alternate member representing consumers of public health for a three-year term to expire on December 31, 2027.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

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

29. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0356](#)

A MOTION confirming the King County board of health's appointment of Mustafa Mohammed to serve as a representative of consumers of public health for a three-year term to expire on December 31, 2027.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

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

30. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0358](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Daniel Kim, who resides in council district seven, to the King County conservation futures advisory committee, as a council at-large representative.

Sponsors: von Reichbauer

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

31. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0367](#)

A MOTION relating to the King County Metro Transit Strategic Plan for Public Transportation 2021-2031 and King County Metro Transit Service Guidelines and accepting the King County Metro Transit 2024 System Evaluation.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

This is a dual referral first to the Regional Transit Committee and then to the Transportation, Economy and Environment Committee.

This is a nonmandatory referral to the Regional Transit Committee under K.C.C. 1.24.065.I as an issue that would benefit from interjurisdictional discussion.

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Regional Transit

Committee.

32. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0368](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Michelle Maley, who resides in council district seven, to the King County women's advisory board, as the district seven representative.

Sponsors: von Reichbauer

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

33. Reports on Special and Outside Committees

Other Business

The Chair announced that there is a vacant "at-large" position on the King County Board of Ethics, and requested that colleagues submit nominations to fill this position in writing (with the completed application forms) to his office by Monday, November 18, 2024. Emails are acceptable and the nominations will be announced at the November 19, 2024, Council meeting with received nominations then being forwarded to the Executive.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned in honor of Geoff Crump at 1:46 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature