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To: KCC - Committee Assistants (Email Group)

**Subject:** COW meeting: King County Sheriff & Independent Inquest

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To the Members of the Committee of the Whole,

As a resident of King County, I am writing to express my support for the following:

- 1. I support making the position of King County Sheriff "appointed" rather than elected. I believe that this will allow the person holding this position to focus on the important issue of public safety rather than the next election. I urge you to make this an appointed position.
- 2. In accordance with voter-approved Initiative 940, passed in Washington State in November 2018, it is critical that "inquests are required where an action, decision or possible failure to offer the appropriate care by a member of any law enforcement agency might have contributed to an individual's death and to provide an attorney at the county's expense to represent the decedent's family in the inquest" and that the inquest be by an independent agency (not another law enforcement body). The people have spoken and this is long overdue.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments and concerns.

Gabriela Condrea