



# King County

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## MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 7, 2020

TO: Metropolitan King County Councilmembers

FROM: KyMBER Waltmunson, King County Auditor 

SUBJECT: Amendments to the King County Auditor's Office 2019-2020 Work Program

This memorandum proposes an amendment to the Auditor's Office 2019-20 Work Program.

Pursuant to King County Code 2.20.040, the King County Auditor's Office submits a work program to the Council for its review and approval by motion at least every two years. This work program outlines the audits and studies our office plans to conduct over the course of the biennium. The code further states that to respond to emerging issues or circumstances, the Auditor may request the Council to amend the work program by motion.

Our 2019-2020 work program was passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on January 7, 2019, as Motion 15295. A copy of this motion and adopted work program are attached.

As a result of the current public health emergency facing King County and the world, the Auditor's Office would like to amend the work program to include an audit of King County's Pandemic Response. This audit is of immediate benefit to King County to facilitate and solidify lessons learned during this crisis. The Sheriff and Jail Workforce Planning audit would be deferred in this biennium to create capacity and reduce resource impact of audits on essential response functions. This audit will be reconsidered as we develop the 2021-22 work program.

The table below highlights the proposed amendments.

**Description of proposed change to King County Auditor’s Office 2019-2020 Work Program**

<b>Proposed Action</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Project Focus</b>
<b>Section 1: Performance Audits</b>		
Add	Pandemic Response	Evaluate King County’s response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Ensure that audit work does not impede critical response work.
Remove	Sheriff and Jail Workforce Planning	Evaluate how ready the Sheriff’s Office and the Department of Adult and Juvenile Detention are to handle hiring, recruitment, and other workforce challenges.

We will submit a full 2021-2022 work program proposal this fall.

Please contact me at 206-477-1043 if you have any questions.

**Attachments**

1. Amended King County Auditor’s Office 2019-20 Work Program, dated April 9, 2020
2. Motion 15295
3. King County Auditor’s Office 2019-20 Work Program - 15295