



Signature Report

Motion 15631

Proposed No. 2020-0156.1

Sponsors Balducci and McDermott

1 A MOTION relating to the organization of the council; and  
2 amending Motion 11122, Section D, as amended, and OR  
3 2-020.

4 WHEREAS, the council has specified by motion the functions of the council  
5 committees and provided for any changes to these to be made by adoption for a formal  
6 legislative motion;

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

8 I. Motion 11122, Section D, as amended, and OR 2-020 are each amended to  
9 read as follows:

10 **Standing committees - functions.** In addition to any committee otherwise  
11 established by law, the committees of the metropolitan King County council and their  
12 respective functions are established as follows:

13 A. **Budget and fiscal management committee** shall consider and make  
14 recommendations on: the county revenue and expenditure fiscal structural gap; capital  
15 and operating budget appropriations; the sale and lease of real property to or by the  
16 county; debt and investment proposals; bond issues; the office of economic and financial  
17 analysis; levies unless referred to another committee; and financial policies.

18 1. The committee shall develop recommendations on policy direction for the  
19 biennial budget, based on the recommendations of other council committees and taking

20 into account the estimated fiscal impacts of state and federal legislation.

21           2. In respect to consideration of the county's proposed biennial budget, all  
22 members of the council not assigned to the budget and fiscal management committee  
23 shall be considered ex officio voting members of the committee.

24           **B. Committee of the whole.**

25           1. The committee of the whole shall consider: issues of interest to the entire  
26 council, including appointments to the state legislature and department directors and key  
27 subordinate units in the executive branch; the annual legislative program; legislation  
28 before the federal, state and local governments that affect King County; the King County  
29 Strategic Plan; oversight of Harborview Medical Center; solid waste including waste to  
30 energy; arts and culture and associated levies, if any; the Puget Sound Taxpayer  
31 Accountability Account; gun safety; the immigrant and refugee commission; issues  
32 related to the census; the charter review commission; homelessness, including the King  
33 County Regional Homelessness Authority; and other program and policy matters. The  
34 committee of the whole shall conduct town hall meetings on issues of significance.

35           2. Until either the executive terminates the March 1, 2020, proclamation of  
36 emergency in response to COVID-19 or the council amends this subsection B.2., the  
37 consideration by the committee will include and be focused primarily on matters  
38 pertaining to COVID-19 response and recovery efforts.

39           **C. Community, health and housing services committee.**

40           1. The committee shall consider and make recommendations on policies relating  
41 to:

42           a. health and housing services provided to the community by county agencies

43 and branches, including, but not limited to, domestic violence facilitators, court  
44 navigators and community courts,

45           b. public health programs, including those related to the protection, promotion  
46 and provision functions of the department of public health, including the structure of the  
47 public health centers;

48           c. affordable housing, including therapeutic and low-income housing;

49           d. human services programs, including review of human services-related  
50 levies; and

51           e. economic development including equity and pay disparity.

52           2. In the areas within the committee's purview, the committee shall track state  
53 and federal legislative action and develop recommendations on policy direction for the  
54 biennial budget.

55           **D. Government accountability and oversight committee.**

56           1. The committee shall consider and make recommendations on:

57           a. improving the efficiency, cost effectiveness and performance of all branches  
58 of county government (legislative, executive and judicial);

59           b. enhancing oversight, accountability and transparency in King County  
60 government, the annual county audit program and federal, state or county audit reports,  
61 the administration of the Public Records Act, capital projects oversight, the Puget Sound  
62 Emergency Radio Network, strategic planning, performance measurement and  
63 performance management, management organizational structure and technology  
64 management; and

65           c. general government oversight, including customer service, worker safety,

66 the department of assessments; elections; records and licensing; animal control; cable  
67 communications; the county fair; King County international airport; risk management;  
68 veterans, and executive services such as telecommunications, facilities management,  
69 purchasing and real property management.

70           2. In the areas within the committee's purview, the committee shall track state  
71 and federal legislative action and develop recommendations on policy direction for the  
72 biennial budget.

73           **E. Law and justice committee.**

74           1. The committee shall consider and make recommendations on policies relating  
75 to law, safety, criminal justice and emergency management programs, including those  
76 related to: public safety; adult detention; juvenile justice and youth services; superior and  
77 district courts; judicial administration; prosecuting attorney; public defense; emergency  
78 medical services; office of law enforcement oversight; bail reform; pretrial services  
79 alternatives to incarceration; and civil rights.

80           2. In the areas within the committee's purview, the committee shall track state  
81 and federal legislative action and develop recommendations on policy direction for the  
82 biennial budget.

83           **F. Local services committee.**

84           1. The committee shall consider and make recommendations on policies relating  
85 to:

- 86           a. surface water management and water supply;
- 87           b. unincorporated and rural areas, including agriculture and rural services;
- 88           c. local government;

- 89 d. permitting and zoning;
- 90 e. county roads and bridges;
- 91 f. levies to support county roads and bridges;
- 92 g. emergency management including disaster response, emergency  
93 preparedness and emergency planning as it pertains to the unincorporated areas;
- 94 h. local services provided by the sheriff;
- 95 i. utility annexations and water and sewer district plans; and
- 96 j. local parks and trails.

97 2. In the areas within the committee's purview, the committee shall track state  
98 and federal legislative action and develop recommendations on policy direction for the  
99 biennial budget.

100 ~~(F.)~~ G. **Mobility and environment committee.**

- 101 1. The committee shall consider and make recommendations on:
  - 102 a. transportation, including passenger ferries, regional trails and public  
103 transportation including spending plans for new revenue, if any, and fares and fare equity  
104 policies;
  - 105 b. the environment, including:
    - 106 (1) salmon recovery and barriers to recovery such as culverts;
    - 107 (2) resource lands, excluding agriculture;
    - 108 (3) energy;
    - 109 (4) water quality, including wastewater; and
    - 110 (5) regional parks and open space; and

111 c. growth management, including regional planning and the Comprehensive  
112 Plan.  
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Motion 15631 was introduced on 3/24/2020 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 3/24/2020, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Dunn, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Upthegrove, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Balducci and Mr. Zahilay



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KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Claudia Balducci, Chair

ATTEST:

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Melani Pedroza, Clerk of the Council

**Attachments:** None