



King County

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Meeting Minutes

Metropolitan King County Council

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Jeanne Kohl-Welles, Vice Chair of Policy Development and
Review;
Reagan Dunn, Vice Chair of Regional Coordination;
Claudia Balducci, Rod Dembowski, Joe McDermott, Sarah
Perry, Pete von Reichbauer, Girmay Zahilay*

1:00 PM

Tuesday, February 21, 2023

Hybrid Meeting

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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: 8 - Balducci, Dembowski, Kohl-Welles, Perry, McDermott, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer and Zahilay

Excused: 1 - Dunn

3. Flag Salute and Pledge of Allegiance

Councilmember Balducci led the flag salute and Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Minutes of February 14, 2023

Councilmember Kohl-Welles moved to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2023, 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 6-12

The following people spoke:

Alex Tsimmerman

Marguerite Richard

Joe Kunzler

Consent Items 6-7

6. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2022-0438.2](#)

AN ORDINANCE permitting the county to enter into the agreement for public defense services between King County and the city of Seattle.

Sponsors: Zahilay

The enacted number is 19574.

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

7. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0024](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the executive to execute an amendment to the agreement approved under Ordinance 19361 with the Washington state Department of Ecology for loan financing for a wastewater capital project.

Sponsors: Kohl-Welles

The enacted number is 19575.

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 Kohl-Welles that the Consent Agenda be passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Balducci, Dembowski, Kohl-Welles, Perry, McDermott, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

Excused: 1 - Dunn

Budget and Fiscal Management**8. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0025](#)**

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the executive to execute an amendment to an agreement approved under Ordinance 18959 with the Washington state Department of Ecology for loan financing for a wastewater capital project.

Sponsors: McDermott

The enacted number is 19576.

Councilmember McDermott moved Amendment 1. The motion carried.

A Public Hearing was held and closed. A motion was made by Councilmember McDermott that this Ordinance be Passed as Amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Balducci, Dembowski, Kohl-Welles, Perry, McDermott, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

Excused: 1 - Dunn

Motions, from Standing Committees and Regional Committees and Motions related to Collective Bargaining, for Council Action**Consent Item 9****9. [Proposed Substitute Motion No. 2022-0414.2](#)**

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of La Rond Baker, who resides in council district two, to the King County public defense advisory board, representing bar associations identified as minority bar associations by the Washington State Bar Association.

Sponsors: Kohl-Welles and Zahilay

The enacted number is 16304.

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

Yes: 8 - Balducci, Dembowski, Kohl-Welles, Perry, McDermott, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

Excused: 1 - Dunn

Reappointment Consent Agenda Items 10-12

10. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0030](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Dorene Cornwell, who resides in council district two, to the King County Access paratransit advisory board.

Sponsors: Zahilay

The enacted number is 16305.

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

11. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0056](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Eugenia Woo, who resides in council district two, to the King County cultural development authority (4Culture) board of directors, as an executive at-large representative.

Sponsors: Zahilay

The enacted number is 16306.

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

12. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0067](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Alaine Sommargren, who resides in council district two, to the King County noxious weed control board.

Sponsors: Zahilay

The enacted number is 16307.

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 Kohl-Welles that the Consent Agenda be passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Balducci, Dembowski, Kohl-Welles, Perry, McDermott, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

Excused: 1 - Dunn

First Reading and Referral of Ordinances

13. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0085](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the execution of a sublease to support the operation of the Metro transit department.

Sponsors: McDermott

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Budget and Fiscal Management Committee.

14. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0088](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the execution of a sublease to support the operation of the Metro transit department.

The enacted number is 16304.

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Budget and Fiscal Management Committee.

15. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0089](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to no shooting areas; establishing a second no shooting area within the Crow voting precinct; and amending Ordinance 15510, Section 2, and K.C.C. 12.68.963

Sponsors: Dunn

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

16. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0092](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to fossil fuel facilities and non-hydroelectric generation facilities; and amending Ordinance 10870, Section 337, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.08.100, Ordinance 10870, Section 443, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.22.050 and Ordinance 12020, Section 17, and K.C.C. 27A.30.060.

Sponsors: Perry

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Local Services and Land Use Committee.

17. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0095](#)

AN ORDINANCE providing for the submission to the qualified electors of King County at a special election to be held in King County on August 1, 2023, a proposition authorizing a property tax levy in excess of the levy limitations contained in chapter 84.55 RCW for a consecutive six-year period at a rate of not more than ten cents per one thousand dollars of assessed valuation in the first year, and limiting annual levy increases to three and one-half percent in the five succeeding years, all for the purpose of supporting veterans and military servicemembers and their respective families; seniors and their caregivers; and resilient communities in King County by funding regional health and human services and capital facilities to promote housing stability, healthy living, financial stability, social engagement and health and human services system improvements and system access; providing for a resident advisory board; and directing proposal of an implementation plan for the veterans, seniors and human services levy, contingent upon voter approval of the levy.

Sponsors: Zahilay

This is a dual referral first to the Regional Policy Committee and then to the Budget and Fiscal Management 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

18. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0064](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Laura Crandall, who resides in council district two, to the King County board of ethics, filling an executive-nominated position.

Sponsors: Zahilay

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Government Accountability and Oversight Committee.

19. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0071](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Francesca Renouard, who resides in council district two, to the King County landmarks commission.

Sponsors: Zahilay

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

20. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0083](#)

A MOTION requesting the executive to provide a priority pathway for job applicants previously employed by the county but who were separated or resigned due to noncompliance with the county's COVID-19 vaccination mandate.

Sponsors: Dunn

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

21. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0090](#)

A MOTION approving the extension of the executive's appointment of Quanetta West as acting director of the juvenile division within the King County department of adult and juvenile detention.

Sponsors: Kohl-Welles

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

22. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0093](#)

A MOTION pledging support for efforts by the Duwamish Tribe to achieve status as a federally recognized tribe and urging residents of King County to join in bringing attention to and supporting efforts for Duwamish Tribe federal recognition.

Sponsors: McDermott

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

23. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0094](#)

A MOTION requesting the executive to provide a priority pathway for job applicants previously employed by the county but who were separated or resigned due to noncompliance with the county's COVID-19 vaccination mandate.

Sponsors: Dunn

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

24. Reports on Special and Outside Committees

No reports were given.

Other Business

Chair Upthegrove announced, in accordance with K.C.C. 2.42.030, that there is a vacant at large position on the Harborview Board of Trustees, and requested that colleagues submit nominations to fill that position. Please provide nominations in writing by February 27, 2023. The nominations will be announced at the February 28, 2023, Council meeting. All nominations will be forwarded to the Executive.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:22 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature