



# King County

1200 King County  
Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

## Meeting Minutes Regional Policy Committee

*Councilmembers: Pete von Reichbauer, Chair;  
Claudia Balducci, Rod Dembowski  
Alternate:*

*Sound Cities Association: Nancy Backus, Vice Chair, Auburn;  
Angela Birney, Redmond;  
John Stokes, Bellevue; James McNeal, Bothell;  
Alternates: Armondo Pavone, Renton; Dana Ralph, Kent*

*City of Seattle: Andrew Lewis, Kshama Sawant  
Alternates: Lisa Herbold, Debora Juarez*

*Lead Staff: April Sanders ( 206-263-3412)  
Committee Clerk: Angelica Calderon (206-477-0874)*

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3:00 PM

Wednesday, March 8, 2023

Hybrid Meeting

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**Hybrid Meetings:** Attend the King County Council committee meetings in person in Council Chambers (Room 1001), 516 3rd Avenue in Seattle, or through remote access. Details on how to attend and/or to provide comment remotely are listed below.

Pursuant to K.C.C. 1.24.035 A. and F., this meeting is also noticed as a meeting of the Metropolitan King County Council, whose agenda is limited to the committee business. In this meeting only the rules and procedures applicable to committees apply and not those applicable to full council meetings.

**HOW TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT:** The Regional Policy Committee values community input and looks forward to hearing from you on agenda items.

There are three ways to provide public comment:

1. In person: You may attend the meeting and provide comment in the Council Chambers.
2. By email: You may comment in writing on current agenda items by submitting your email comments to [kcccomitt@kingcounty.gov](mailto:kcccomitt@kingcounty.gov). If your email is received before 1:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting, your email comments will be distributed to the committee members and appropriate staff prior to the meeting.

3. Remote attendance at the meeting by phone or computer: You may provide oral comment on current agenda items during the meeting's public comment period by connecting to the meeting via phone or computer using the ZOOM application at <https://zoom.us/>, and entering the webinar ID number below.

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**CONNECTING TO THE WEBINAR:**

Webinar ID: 827 1647 4590

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- 1) Stream online via this link: <https://livestream.com/accounts/15175343/events/4485487>, or input the link web address into your web browser.
- 2) Watch King County TV Channel 22 (Comcast Channel 22 and 322(HD), Wave Broadband Channel 22)
- 3) Listen to the meeting by telephone – See “Connecting to the Webinar” above.

To help us manage the meeting, if you do not wish to be called upon for public comment please use the Livestream or King County TV options listed above, if possible, to watch or listen to the meeting.

1. **Call to Order**

*Chair von Reichbauer called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.*

2. **Roll Call**

**Present:** 7 - Backus, Birney, Dembowski, McNeal, von Reichbauer, Pavone and Ralph

**Excused:** 4 - Balducci, Lewis, Sawant and Stokes

3. **Approval of Minutes**

*Mayor Backus moved approval of the February 8, 2023 meeting minutes. There being no objections, the minutes were approved.*

**4. Public Comment**

*The following individuals were present to provide public comment:*

*Alex Tsimerman*

*Jorge Baron*

*Alison Eisinger - Coalition on Homelessness*

*Jesse Simpson, HDC*

*Mike Heinisch*

*John Grant*

*Maju Qureshi*

*Phoenica Zhang*

### Discussion Only

5. [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

*Miranda Leskinen and Sherrie Hsu, Council staff, briefed the Committee on the Resolution and answered questions from the members.*

**This matter was Deferred**

### Other Business

*There was no other business to come before the committee.*

### Adjournment

*The Chair adjourned the meeting at 4:12 p.m.*

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

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Clerk's Signature