



King County

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Meeting Minutes Law, Justice, Health and Human Services Committee

Councilmembers:

Girmay Zahilay, Chair;

Sarah Perry, Vice-Chair;

*Claudia Balducci, Rod Dembowski, Reagan Dunn, Jeanne
Kohl-Welles*

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9:30 AM

Tuesday, November 7, 2023

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1. **Call to Order**

Chair Zahilay called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m

2. **Roll Call**

Present: 6 - Balducci, Dembowski, Dunn, Kohl-Welles, Perry and Zahilay

3. **Approval of Minutes**

Councilmember Perry moved approval of the October 3, 2023 meeting minutes. There being no objections, the minutes were approved.

4. **Public Comment**

The following people were present to provided public comment:

1. Jason Smith
2. Roxana Gomez
3. Anita Khandelwal

4. *Julissa Sanchez*
5. *Bailey de longh*
6. *Dominique Davis*
7. *Karen Pillar*
8. *Scott Aldridge*
9. *Nicholas Jeffreys*
10. *Izzy Eads*
11. *BJ Divines*
12. *Jana Detrick*

Consent

5. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0291](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Brian Berry, who resides in council district one, to the King County veterans, seniors and human services levy advisory board's veterans committee, as the district one representative.

A motion was made by Councilmember Balducci that this Motion be Recommended Do Pass Consent. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Balducci, Dembowski, Dunn, Kohl-Welles, Perry and Zahilay

6. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0296](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Brandon Graham, who resides in council district six, to the King County board for developmental disabilities.

A motion was made by Councilmember Balducci that this Motion be Recommended Do Pass Consent. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Balducci, Dembowski, Dunn, Kohl-Welles, Perry and Zahilay

7. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0302](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Kevin Host, who resides in council district four, to the King County behavioral health advisory board.

A motion was made by Councilmember Balducci that this Motion be Recommended Do Pass Consent. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Balducci, Dembowski, Dunn, Kohl-Welles, Perry and Zahilay

8. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0259](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the first annual report on the second Best Starts for Kids initiative, in accordance with Ordinance 19354.

A motion was made by Councilmember Balducci that this Motion be Recommended Do Pass Consent. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Balducci, Dembowski, Dunn, Kohl-Welles, Perry and Zahilay

Discussion and Possible Action

9. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0212](#)

AN ORDINANCE related to requirements for the treatment of and services to juveniles in the custody of the department of adult and juvenile detention; amending Ordinance 18637, Section 2, and K.C.C.2.65.010 and Ordinance 18637, Section 3, and K.C.C.2.65.020 and adding a new section to K.C.C. chapter 2.65.

Mary Bourguignon, Council staff, briefed the Committee on the legislation and answered questions from the members. Jeneva Cotton, Juvenile Detention Division Director, Department of Adult and Juvenile Detention, and Catherine Pickard, Juvenile Detention Deputy Division Director, Department of Adult and Juvenile commented and answered questions from the members.

The following amendments were moved and adopted:

Striking Amendment moved by CM Balducci, the striker was adopted as amended, 4-1-1

Amendment 1 moved by CM Dembowski, the A1 was adopted.

Amendment 2 moved by CM Dembowski, the A2 was adopted.

Title Amendment moved by CM Perry, the T1 was adopted.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Perry that this Ordinance be Recommended Do Pass Substitute. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Balducci, Dunn, Kohl-Welles, Perry and Zahilay

No: 1 - Dembowski

Briefing

10. [Briefing No. 2023-B0111](#)

Homicide Trends in King County

John Castleton, Co Chair, Most Dangerous Offender Project, Prosecuting Attorney's Office (PAO), Mary Barbosa, Co Chair, Most Dangerous Offender Project, PAO, David Baker, Director of Data and Analytics, Prosecuting Attorney's Office (PAO) and Dan Clark, Chief Criminal Deputy, PAO were presented to briefed the Committee via PowerPoint presentation and answered questions from the members.

This matter was Presented

11. [Briefing No. 2023-B0112](#)

Draft Motion to Address the Public Defense Class A Attorney Attrition Crisis

Melissa Bailey, Council staff, briefed the Committee and answered questions from the members. Adam S. Heyman, Staff Attorney, Kent Felony Unit, The Associated Counsel for the Accused Division, DPD and Molly Gilbert, Union President of DPD/SEIU 925, Public Defense Investigator were presented to brief the Committee and answered questions from the members. Also in attendance were Dwight Dively Director, Performance, Strategy and Budget, King County Executive and Anita Khandelwal Director of Department of Public Defense. were present to commented and answered questions from the members.

This matter was Presented

Other Business

There was no other business to come before the Committee.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature