



King County

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Meeting Minutes

Metropolitan King County Council

*Councilmembers: Dave Upthegrove, Chair;
Girmay Zahilay, Vice Chair of Policy Development and Review;
Reagan Dunn, Vice Chair of Regional Coordination;
Claudia Balducci, Jorge Barón, Rod Dembowski,
Teresa Mosqueda, Sarah Perry, Pete von Reichbauer*

1:30 PM

Tuesday, August 20, 2024

Hybrid Meeting

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1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:34 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Present: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer and Zahilay

3. **Flag Salute and Pledge of Allegiance**

Councilmember Barón led the flag salute and Pledge of Allegiance.

4. **Approval of Minutes of July 23, 2024**

Councilmember Dembowski moved to approve the minutes of the July 23, 2024, meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.

5. **Additions to the Council Agenda**

Proposed Motion 2024-0104 will not be taken up for action today. A one-week courtesy delay has been ordered.

A MOTION declaring the intent of the King County Council to maintain operations of the Patricia H. Clark Children and Family Justice Center.

Councilmember Zahilay announced that Proposed Motion 2024-0104 would have a one-week courtesy delay.

6. **Special Item**

Recognition of the 2023-24 Ruth Woo Emerging Leaders Fellows: Beza Ayele, Pauline Estrella, Madeleine Magana, Vincent Ruggio, and Ternia Wilson

Councilmember Dembowski made remarks and presented the recognition to Beza Ayele, Pauline Estrella, Magdeleine Magana, Vincent Ruggio, and Ternia Wilson.

Recognition of Marletta Iwasyk for her exceptional teaching career in Seattle Public Schools.

Councilmember Zahilay made remarks and presented the recognition to Marletta Iwasyk. Marletta Iwasyk made remarks and thanked the Council.

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 6-22

The following people spoke:

Joe Kunzler

Jacquelyn

Jessi Brown

Rose Harriett

Kay

Oliver Miska

Ken Blevins

Jade

Izzy

Consent Items 7-10

7. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0144](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the execution of a renewal of an existing lease to support the operation of the department of natural resources and parks.

Sponsors: Zahilay

The enacted number is 19802.

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

8. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0167](#)

AN ORDINANCE that adopts the Harborview Medical Center 2025 Capital Improvement Program Annual Budget for the year ending June 30, 2025, and makes appropriations for the capital improvements for the Harborview Medical Center.

Sponsors: Zahilay

The enacted number is 19803.

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

9. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0200](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the execution of an amendment to an existing lease to support the operation of the department of natural resources and parks.

Sponsors: Zahilay

The enacted number is 19804.

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

Agenda.

10. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0204](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to solid waste fees charged at recycling and transfer facilities, at the Cedar Hills regional landfill, and for construction and demolition waste disposed at landfills by construction and demolition receiving facilities; and amending Ordinance 12564, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C.10.12.021 and Ordinance 18166, Section 5, and K.C.C.4A.670.300 and establishing an effective date.

Sponsors: Zahilay

The enacted number is 19805.

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 Dembowski that the Consent Agenda be passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

Local Services and Land Use

11. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2022-0297](#)

AN ORDINANCE determining the King County Fire Protection District No. 24 is inactive under state law and it is in the public interest to dissolve King County Fire Protection District No. 24.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

Councilmember Perry made a motion to suspend the rules to hold an advertised public hearing on Proposed Ordinance 2022-0297. The motion carried. Proposed Ordinance 2022-0297 remains in the Local Services and Land Use Committee until the committee takes action.

A Public Hearing was held and closed. This matter was deferred.

12. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2022-0301](#)

AN ORDINANCE determining the Shoreline Park and Recreation District is inactive under state law and it is in the public interest to dissolve the Shoreline Park and Recreation District.

Sponsors: Dembowski

Councilmember Perry made a motion to suspend the rules to hold an advertised public hearing on Proposed Ordinance 2022-0301. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered. Proposed Ordinance 2022-0301 remains in the Local Services and Land Use Committee until the committee takes action.

A Public Hearing was held and closed. This matter was deferred.

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13. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0231](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving and adopting the collective bargaining agreement negotiated by and between King County and the Puget Sound Police Managers Association, representing employees in the King County sheriff's office and establishing the effective date of the agreement.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

The enacted number is 19806.

Jeff Muhm, Policy Director, briefed the Council and answered questions.

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

Yes: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

Motions, from Standing Committees and Regional Committees and Motions related to Collective Bargaining, for Council Action

Consent Items 14-18

14. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0434](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of a report on programming for adults in detention as required by Ordinance 19546, Section 54, P3, as amended by Ordinance 19633, Section 44, Proviso P3.

Sponsors: Perry

The enacted number is 16644.

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

15. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0179](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Jesse Franklin, who resides in council district eight, to the King County priority hire advisory committee.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

The enacted number is 16645.

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

16. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0203](#)

A MOTION confirming the appointment of Kelly Rider as director of the department of community and human services.

Sponsors: Balducci

The enacted number is 16646.

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

17. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0206](#)

A MOTION endorsing the Safe System approach to achieve the goal of zero traffic deaths and serious injuries in King County; and requesting that the King County executive propose a strategy to develop a coordinated, multiagency safety action plan using the Safe System approach.

Sponsors: Balducci

The enacted number is 16648.

Councilmember Balducci made a motion to remove Item 17 from the Consent Agenda for the purposes of an amendment. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.

Councilmember Balducci moved Amendment 1. The motion carried.

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

Yes: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

18. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0210](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of a reimagining transit safety and security report, in response to the 2023-24 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19546, Section 114, Proviso P2.

Sponsors: Barón

The enacted number is 16647.

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 Dembowski that the Consent Agenda be passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

Committee of the Whole

19. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0208](#)

A MOTION authorizing the chair of the council to enter into a contract for services to represent the county with the Washington state Legislature.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

Councilmember Dembowski made a motion to defer Proposed Motion 2024-0208 for one week to the August 27, 2024, Council meeting. Seeing no objection the Chair so ordered.

A Public Hearing was held and closed. This matter was deferred.

Law and Justice

20. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0104](#)

A MOTION declaring the intent of the King County Council to maintain operations of the Patricia H. Clark Children and Family Justice Center.

Sponsors: Dunn

Councilmember Zahilay announced that Proposed Motion 2024-0104 would have a one-week courtesy delay.

This matter was Deferred

Local Services and Land Use

21. [Proposed Substitute Motion No. 2024-0166.2](#)

A MOTION requesting the King County executive to evaluate strategies to improve traffic safety along county-maintained roads and roadway segments in and around the Fairwood community of unincorporated King County and to prepare a report.

Sponsors: Dunn

The enacted number is 16649.

A Public Hearing was held and closed. A motion was made by Councilmember Perry that this Motion be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

Transportation, Economy and Environment

22. [Proposed Substitute Motion No. 2024-0212.2](#)

A MOTION relating to public restrooms at transit centers; acknowledging receipt of the Transit Public Restroom Initiative Report submitted in response to the 2023-2024 Biennial Budget Ordinance 19546, Section 114, Proviso P1, as amended by Ordinance 19633, Section 86, Proviso P1.

Sponsors: Dembowski

The enacted number is 16650.

A Public Hearing was held and closed. A motion was made by Councilmember Dembowski that this Motion be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

First Reading and Referral of Ordinances

23. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0226](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the condemnation of real property to obtain easements, and other rights in property for the construction of the Rapid Ride I Line in the city of Renton.

Sponsors: Zahilay

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

24. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0229](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to changing the form of the note authorized under the conveyance of the surplus property located at 906 Pine Street, Seattle, Washington, in council district four; and amending Ordinance 18546, Section 1.

Sponsors: Zahilay

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

25. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0233](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the vacation of a portion of 190th Ave SE/Gioranni Vitarelli Rd/Rd No. 1592, V-2751; Petitioners: Denis Lopes Monteiro and Michelle Pedersen.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Hearing Examiner.

26. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0236](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving the King County Doors Open Program implementation plan, required by Ordinance 19710, Section 9, to govern the expenditure of the cultural access sales and use tax from 2024 through 2031 to achieve outcomes related to public and educational benefits and economic support for arts, science, and heritage organizations.

Sponsors: Balducci and Zahilay

This is a dual referral first to the Committee of the Whole and then to the Regional Policy 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 Committee of the Whole.

27. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0237](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the King County executive to enter into a lease agreement with Washington state Department of Transportation, Ferries Division, as landlord, for uplands, tidelands, and facilities located at 201 Alaskan Way S, Seattle, Washington, in council district eight.

Sponsors: Zahilay

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

28. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0238](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to the sale of the surplus property located at 18005 107th Ave SW, Vashon, Washington, in council district eight.

Sponsors: Mosqueda and Zahilay

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

29. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0239](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the execution of a new lease to support the operation of the department of public health.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

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

30. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0244](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the execution of a new lease to support the operation of the department of public health.

Sponsors: Zahilay

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

31. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0245](#)

AN ORDINANCE related to the for-hire transportation industry, authorizing background checks through the Washington State Patrol and the Federal Bureau of Investigation when considering an application for an enhanced regional for-hire driver license; and amending Ordinance 19700, Section 13, and K.C.C. 6.65.110.

Sponsors: von Reichbauer

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

32. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0247](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the vacation of a portion of 200th Ave SE, V-2752; Petitioners: Young Kwon and Robyn Isaak-Kwon and Mutsumi Porter.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Hearing Examiner.

33. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0250](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving and adopting the Memorandum of Agreement negotiated by and between King County and the Professional and Technical Employees, Local 17, representing Involuntary Commitment Supervisors employees working in the Crisis and Commitment Services section in the department of community and human services, and establishing the effective date of the agreement.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Metropolitan King County Council.

34. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0251](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving and adopting the Memorandum of Agreement negotiated by and between King County and the Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 587, representing benefits-eligible employees in the Metro transit department; and establishing the effective date of said agreement.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Metropolitan King County Council.

35. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0255](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving and adopting a memorandum of agreement negotiated by and between King County and the King County Coalition of Unions representing employees in the departments of adult and juvenile detention, community and human services, elections, executive services, judicial administration, information technology, natural resources and parks, local services, public defense, and public health, the sheriff's office, and the Metro transit department, the assessor, the council, district court, superior court, and the prosecuting attorney's office; approving and adopting two memoranda of agreement negotiated by and between King County and the Joint Labor Management Insurance Committee of Unions regarding insured benefits for represented benefits-eligible employees identified by King County deemed eligible to receive these benefits; and establishing the effective date of the agreements.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Metropolitan King County Council.

36. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0257](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the executive to execute the amended and restated interlocal agreement for the establishment of the King County Regional Homelessness Authority, a joint or cooperative undertaking with the city of Seattle and with such public agencies as are eligible under the terms of the interlocal agreement and applicable law.

Sponsors: Balducci

This is a dual referral first to the Committee of the Whole and then to the Regional Policy 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 Committee of the Whole.

First Reading and Referral of Motions

37. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0225](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the 2023 health through housing annual report, in accordance with K.C.C. chapter 24.30.

Sponsors: Balducci

This is a dual referral first to the Regional Policy Committee and then to the Committee of the Whole.

This is a nonmandatory referral to the Regional Policy Committee under K.C.C. 1.24.065.I as an issue that would benefit from interjurisdictional discussion.

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Regional Policy Committee.

38. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0227](#)

A MOTION approving the extension of the executive's appointment of Ed Carter as acting director of the community corrections division within the King County department of adult and juvenile detention.

Sponsors: Balducci

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

39. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0228](#)

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

Sponsors: von Reichbauer

This is a dual referral first to the Regional Policy Committee and then to the Health and Human Services Committee.

This is a nonmandatory referral to the Regional Policy Committee under K.C.C. 1.24.065.I as an issue that would benefit from interjurisdictional discussion.

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Regional Policy Committee.

40. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0232](#)

A MOTION confirming the appointment of Leon Richardson as director of the department of local services.

Sponsors: Balducci

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

41. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0234](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Brian Algiers, who resides in council district five, to the King County international airport roundtable, as the labor representative from the Society of Professional Engineering Employees in Aerospace (SPEEA).

Sponsors: Upthegrove

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

42. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0235](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Stephen Ratzlaff, who resides in council district two, to the King County international airport roundtable, as a representative from a pilots' association/Founding Partner with OrderPort, LLC.

Sponsors: Zahilay

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

43. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0242](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the King County Website Upgrade Report in response to the 2023-2024 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19546, Section 122, as amended by Ordinance 19712, Section 86, Proviso P2.

Sponsors: Balducci

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

44. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0253](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Chris Raynham, who resides in council district two, to the King County rural forest commission, representing academic foresters/professional foresters.

Sponsors: Zahilay

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

45. Reports on Special and Outside Committees**Other Business**

Councilmember Zahilay introduced his wife, Joyce Bruce.

Councilmember Zahilay announced the passing of Marguerite Richard.

Councilmember Zahilay read a letter from Executive Constantine regarding asylum seekers.

46. Response to City of Burien letter

Councilmember Zahilay announced that on July 23, 2024, the Council received a letter from the City of Burien. On August 5, 2024, Chair Upthegrove emailed members a copy of the letter to the City of Burien Mayor, Deputy Mayor, and Councilmembers that he intends to sign as Chair of the King County Council. The letter clarifies that the King County Council is not an investigative body and acknowledges that the City of Burien and the Executive are in communication about the issue. The letter also welcomes the elected officials to provide public comment on the designated 4th Tuesday of the month. Unless there is objection, the Chair plans on signing this letter in his capacity as Chair.

Proclamation/Recognition Presented in the Community

47. Memorial recognition of Chandler Gayton, who served two King County Councilmembers

Councilmember Zahilay announced that the Memorial Recognition of Chandler Gayton has been officially acknowledged and presented in the community.

48. Proclamation of Aug 24, 2024 as Ukrainian Independence Day in King County

Councilmember Zahilay announced that the proclamation of August 24, 2024, as Ukrainian Independence Day in King County has been officially acknowledged and presented in the community.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned in honor of Steven H. Robinson at 2:53 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature