



King County

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Meeting Minutes

Metropolitan King County Council

*Councilmembers: Claudia Balducci, Chair;
Joe McDermott, Vice Chair of Policy Development and Review;
Reagan Dunn, Vice Chair of Regional Coordination;
Rod Dembowski, Jeanne Kohl-Welles, Kathy Lambert, Dave
Upthegrove, Pete von Reichbauer, Girmay Zahilay*

1:00 PM

Tuesday, September 7, 2021

VIRTUAL MEETING

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1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

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

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

Councilmember McDermott recited the poem, The Gift Outright, written by Robert Frost.

4. **Approval of Minutes of August 17, 2021**

Councilmember McDermott moved to approve the minutes of the August 17, 2021, meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.

5. **Additions to the Council Agenda**

There were no additions.

6. **Briefing**

[Briefing No. 2021-B0126](#)

COVID-19 Response Briefing.

Dennis Worsham, Interim Director, Public Health - Seattle & King County, briefed the Council and answered questions.

This matter was Presented

7. **Special Items**

Recognition of the 30th anniversary of Ukraine National Day

Councilmember von Reichbauer presented the recognition of the 30th anniversary of Ukraine National Day and introduced the Honorary Consul of Ukraine, Valeriy V. Goloborodko.

Proclamation welcoming newly arriving Afghan refugees

Councilmember Zahilay presented the proclamation welcoming newly arriving Afghan refugees and introduced Aneelah Afzali, Executive Director of the American Muslim Empowerment Network (AMEN).

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 8-17

The following people spoke:

Jen Brenes

Julien Loh

Consent Items 8-14

8. **[Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2021-0200.2](#)**

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the King County executive to sign the recreational trail use agreement with Puget Sound Energy for permission to use portions of PSE property for the construction, maintenance, and operation of the Interurban Trail South.

Sponsors: Mr. von Reichbauer

The enacted number is 19322.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

9. **[Proposed Ordinance No. 2021-0201](#)**

AN ORDINANCE that adopts the Harborview Medical Center 2022 Capital Improvement Program Annual Budget for the year ending June 30, 2022, and makes appropriations for the capital improvements for the Harborview Medical Center.

Sponsors: Ms. Kohl-Welles

The enacted number is 19323.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

10. **[Proposed Ordinance No. 2021-0209](#)**

AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance 18898, adopted by the council on May 22, 2019, which authorized the issuance of junior lien sewer revenue refunding bonds and multi-modal limited tax general obligation refunding bonds (payable from sewer revenues) of the county to expand the definition of refunding candidates, to clarify that the county may provide credit enhancement or a liquidity facility, to amend definitions relating to balloon maturity bonds on a springing basis, and to clarify cash refunding plans; amending certain definitions in Ordinance 18898, Section 1; and amending Ordinance 18898, Section 1, Ordinance 18898, Section 15, and Ordinance 18898, Section 17.

Sponsors: Ms. Kohl-Welles

The enacted number is 19324.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

11. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2021-0210.2](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the issuance and sale of one or more series of unlimited tax general obligation bonds of the county in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$1,740,000,000 to finance public health, safety and seismic improvements to Harborview Medical Center, and to pay the costs of issuing the bonds, as authorized by county ordinance and approved by the qualified electors of the county at an election held on November 3, 2020; authorizing the issuance and sale of one or more series of unlimited tax general obligation refunding bonds to refund outstanding unlimited tax general obligations of the county, and to pay the costs of issuing the bonds; providing for the disposition of the proceeds of the sale of the bonds; establishing funds for the receipt and expenditure of bond proceeds and for the payment of the bonds; and providing for the annual levy of taxes to pay the principal thereof and interest thereon.

Sponsors: Ms. Kohl-Welles

The enacted number is 19325.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

12. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2021-0213.2](#)

AN ORDINANCE related to the contracting opportunities program and allowing for modifications to the eligibility criteria for small contractors and suppliers certification; and amending Ordinance 13983, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.97.030.

Sponsors: Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Dembowski and Ms. Balducci

The enacted number is 19326.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

13. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2021-0250](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the King County executive to sign an interagency agreement between King County, a political subdivision of the state of Washington, and the city of SeaTac, a municipal corporation in the state of Washington, regarding the design, construction, ownership, operation and maintenance of the portion of Segment C of the Lake to Sound trail that is within the city.

Sponsors: Mr. Upthegrove

The enacted number is 19327.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

14. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2021-0251.2](#)

An ORDINANCE related to the employee giving program; and amending Ordinance 15558, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.12.222.

Sponsors: Mr. von Reichbauer

The enacted number is 19328.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

Passed On The Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember McDermott that the Consent Agenda be passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Public Hearing Required on Consent Items 8-14

Budget and Fiscal Management

15. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2021-0225.2](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to solid waste fees charged at recycling and transfer facilities and at the Cedar Hills regional landfill; and amending Ordinance 8891, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C.10.04.020, Ordinance 12564, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C.10.12.021 and Ordinance 18784, Section 4, and K.C.C.10.12.058.

Sponsors: Ms. Kohl-Welles

The enacted number is 19329.

Pat McLaughlin, Director, Solid Waste Division, made remarks and answered questions of the Council.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kohl-Welles that this Ordinance be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Ms. Balducci, Mr. Dembowski, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Lambert, Mr. McDermott, and Mr. Zahilay

No: 3 - Mr. Dunn, Mr. Upthegrove, and Mr. von Reichbauer

Committee of the Whole

16. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2021-0257](#)

AN ORDINANCE related to surplus county real property; and amending Ordinance 12045, Section 5, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.56.070 and Ordinance 12045, Section 14, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.56.150.

Sponsors: Mr. Zahilay and Ms. Kohl-Welles

The enacted number is 19330.

Brandi Vena, Council Staff, made remarks and answered questions of the Council.

A motion was made by Councilmember Zahilay that this Ordinance be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Local Services

17. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2021-0163.2](#)

AN ORDINANCE related to planning and permitting; allowing search and rescue facilities in King County, subject to conditions; amending Ordinance 10870 Section 333, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.08.060, Ordinance 10870, Section 337, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.08.100 and Ordinance 10870, Section 388, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.16.030 and adding a new section to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06.

Sponsors: Ms. Lambert

The enacted number is 19331.

Jake Tracy, Council Staff, briefed the Council and answered questions.

Councilmember Dembowski moved Amendment 1.

Jim Chan, Director of Permitting, made remarks and answered questions of the Council.

Voting on Amendment 1, the motion carried.

Councilmember Dembowski moved Amendment 2. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilmember Dunn that this Ordinance be Passed as Amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

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

Consent Items 18-26

18. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0215](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Juanita Salinas-Aguila, who resides in council district five, to the King County immigrant and refugee commission.

Sponsors: Mr. Upthegrove

The enacted number is 15923.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

19. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0221](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Kelli Carroll to the King County gender identity and sexual orientation inclusion task force, representing the King County executive office.

Sponsors: Mr. McDermott

The enacted number is 15924.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

20. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0222](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Jonathan Fowler to the King County gender identity and sexual orientation inclusion task force, representing the King County council.

Sponsors: Mr. McDermott

The enacted number is 15925.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

21. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0223](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Tepatasi Vaina to the King County gender identity and sexual orientation inclusion task force, representing the United Territories of Pacific Islanders Alliance (U.T.O.P.I.A.).

Sponsors: Mr. McDermott

The enacted number is 15926.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

22. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0224](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Juan Fernando Luna to the King County gender identity and sexual orientation inclusion task force, representing Entre Hermanos.

Sponsors: Mr. McDermott

The enacted number is 15927.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

23. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0227](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Bilan Aden, who resides in council district eight, to the King County immigrant and refugee commission.

Sponsors: Mr. McDermott

The enacted number is 15928.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

24. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0253](#)

A MOTION relating to public transportation, approving the King County Metro Transit COVID-19 Response Title VI Service Equity Analysis report.

Sponsors: Mr. Dembowski

The enacted number is 15929.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

25. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0256](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the King County International Airport Master Plan Update Community Outreach and Engagement Proviso Response report, as called for by the 2021-2022 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19210, Section 108, Proviso P1.

Sponsors: Mr. von Reichbauer

The enacted number is 15930.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

26. [Proposed Substitute Motion No. 2021-0264.2](#)

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: Ms. Balducci

The enacted number is 15931.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

Passed On The Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember McDermott that the Consent Agenda be passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Reappointment Consent Agenda - Items 27-30**27. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0262](#)**

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Debbie Natelson, who resides in council district five, to the King County waterworks grant ranking committee, as the district five representative.

Sponsors: Mr. Upthegrove

The enacted number is 15932.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

28. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0309](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Samantha Powers, 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.

Sponsors: Mr. Dembowski

The enacted number is 15933.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

29. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0310](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Heidi Shepherd, who resides in council district one, to the King County veterans, seniors and human services levy advisory board's vulnerable populations committee, as the district one representative.

Sponsors: Mr. Dembowski

The enacted number is 15934.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

30. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0311](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Cynthia Snyder, who resides in council district three, to the King County veterans, seniors and human services levy advisory board's seniors committee, representing the advisory council on aging and disability services.

Sponsors: Ms. Lambert

The enacted number is 15935.

This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

Passed On The Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember McDermott that the Consent Agenda be passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

First Reading and Referral of Ordinances**31. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2021-0321](#)**

AN ORDINANCE modifying the green building and sustainable infrastructure program; to modify budgeting policy, reorganize the green building provisions and modifying the reporting policies for the green building and Strategic Climate Action Plan; amending Ordinance 16147, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 18.17.010, adding new sections to K.C.C. chapter 18.17 and repealing Ordinance 16147, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 18.17.020.

Sponsors: Mr. Dembowski

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Mobility and Environment Committee.

32. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2021-0322](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the vacation of a portion of S. 278th Street, File V-2737; Petitioners: Estate of Marlene Marie McCartney, James D. McCartney Personal Representative; Rose Mary and Ryan Dowd; Sharon and Robert Kiyohara; and Estate of Miriam M. Helgeland, Jerilyn Helgeland Personal Representative.

Sponsors: Ms. Balducci

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

33. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2021-0323](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving and adopting the collective bargaining agreement negotiated by and between King County and the International Association of Fire Fighters (Paramedics and Supervisors - Department of Public Health) representing employees in the aforementioned department; and establishing the effective date of the agreement.

Sponsors: Ms. Balducci

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

34. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2021-0324](#)

AN ORDINANCE making a supplemental appropriation of \$1,422,000 to emergency medical services; and amending the 2021-2022 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19210, Section 76, as amended.

Sponsors: Ms. Kohl-Welles

This matter was Introduced and Referred to the Metropolitan King County Council

35. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2021-0325](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving and adopting the collective bargaining agreement negotiated by and between King County and Puget Sound Police Managers Association (Majors - King County Sheriff's Office) representing employees in the King County sheriff's office; and establishing the effective date of the agreement.

Sponsors: Ms. Balducci

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

36. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2021-0326](#)

AN ORDINANCE making a supplemental appropriation of \$170,000 to King County sheriff's office; and amending the 2021-2022 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19210, Section 20, as amended.

Sponsors: Ms. Kohl-Welles

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

37. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2021-0330](#)

AN ORDINANCE adopting the Initial Health through Housing Implementation Plan to govern the expenditure of sales and use tax proceeds authorized by K.C.C. chapter 4A.503 and RCW 82.14.530 from 2022 through 2028 and creating the health through housing advisory committee; and adding a new section to K.C.C. chapter 4A.300.

Sponsors: Mr. McDermott

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

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.

38. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2021-0337](#)

AN ORDINANCE related to environment, health, climate and community impacts of activities at King County International Airport/Boeing Field; and amending Ordinance 1159, as amended, and K.C.C. Title 15.

Sponsors: Mr. McDermott

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

First Reading and Referral of Motions

39. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0282](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the disability equity action plan as called for by Ordinance 19210, Section 19, Proviso P1.

Sponsors: Mr. McDermott

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

40. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0285](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of a report providing analysis of the causes and consequences of the January 13, 2021, discharges of untreated wastewater into Puget Sound and Lake Washington from the West Point Treatment Plant and several pump stations as required by Motion 15832.

Sponsors: Mr. Dunn

This is a dual referral first to the Regional Water Quality Committee and then to the Mobility and Environment Committee.

This is a nonmandatory referral to the Regional Water Quality 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 Water Quality

Committee.

41. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0295](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Dane Scarimbolo, who resides in council district eight, to the King County agriculture commission.

Sponsors: Mr. McDermott

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

42. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0296](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Andrew Ely, who resides in council district one, to the King County agriculture commission.

Sponsors: Mr. Dembowski

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

43. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0299](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Jessica Bloom, who resides in council district three, to the King County agriculture commission.

Sponsors: Ms. Lambert

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

44. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0316](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the report on the shift of the sewer rate cost burden to the single-family sector from the commercial/industrial/multifamily sector required by the 2021-2022 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19210, Section 112, Proviso P3.

Sponsors: Ms. Kohl-Welles

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

This is a nonmandatory referral to the Regional Water Quality 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 Water Quality Committee.

45. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0327](#)

A MOTION requesting the executive convene a planning committee to support the resettlement of Afghan refugees and special immigrant visa holders in King County.

Sponsors: Mr. Dunn

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

46. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0331](#)

A MOTION requesting the executive to report on delays in distributing rental assistance moneys and to recommend options for expediting the distribution of rental assistance moneys.

Sponsors: Mr. Dunn

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Community, Health and Housing Services Committee.

47. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0332](#)

A MOTION relating to public transportation; acknowledging receipt of the Access paratransit service update submitted in response to the 2021-2022 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19210, Section 113, Proviso P2.

Sponsors: Mr. Dembowski

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Mobility and Environment Committee.

48. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0333](#)

A MOTION adopting an updated Debt Management Policy for King County; and rescinding Motion 12660.

Sponsors: Ms. Kohl-Welles

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

49. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0334](#)

A MOTION adopting revised comprehensive financial management policies for King County; and rescinding Motion 15250.

Sponsors: Ms. Kohl-Welles

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

50. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0335](#)

A MOTION making an appointment to fill a judicial vacancy in the east division, northeast electoral district, judge position number seven of the King County district court.

Sponsors: Mr. McDermott

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

51. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0336](#)

A MOTION making an appointment to fill a judicial vacancy in the south division, southwest electoral district, judge position number one of the King County district court.

Sponsors: Mr. McDermott

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

52. **Reports on Special and Outside Committees**

No reports were given.

Other Business

53. **Executive Session**

The Chair recessed the meeting into Executive Session under RCW 42.30.110 to discuss with legal counsel legal risks of a proposed action when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the County at 2:50 p.m. for approximately 45 minutes, to 3:35 p.m.

At 3:34 p.m. the Chair extended the Executive Session for approximately 15 minutes, to 3:50 p.m.

At 3:49 p.m. the Chair extended the Executive Session for approximately 10 minutes to 4:00 p.m.

The Chair reconvened the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature