



## Legislation Text

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A MOTION relating to the organization of the council; amending Motion 11105 (part), as amended, and OR 1-040, Motion 11122, Section D, as amended, and OR 2-020, Motion 11122, Section G, as amended, and OR 2-040, Motion 11122, Section H, as amended, and OR 2-050 and Motion 15998, Section 1, and OR 3-120.

WHEREAS, the council has specified by motion the chairs, vice-chairs and members of council committees and provided for any changes to these positions to be made by adoption for a formal legislative motion, and

WHEREAS, the charter provides that the council shall elect one of its members as chair, and Motion 10651, Section II, as amended, and OR 1-010 provides that the council shall elect a chair who shall serve at the pleasure of the council for a term of one year, unless otherwise ordered by the council, and

WHEREAS, the council has specified by motion the chairs, vice-chairs and members of council committees and provided for any changes to these positions to be made by adoption of a formal legislative motion;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

I. Motion 11105 (part), as amended, and OR 1-040 are hereby amended to read as follows:

**OR 1-040. Chair and vice-chair elected.** For the year ((2021)) 2022 and until a successor is elected, the council elects Councilmember Claudia Balducci as council chair, Councilmember ((Joe McDermott)) Girmay Zahilay as council vice-chair of policy development and review and Councilmember ((Reagan Dunn)) Dave Upthegrove as council vice-chair of regional coordination.

**OR 2-020. Standing committees - functions.** In addition to any committee otherwise established by law, the committees of the metropolitan King County council and their respective functions are established as

follows:

A. **Budget and fiscal management committee** shall consider and make recommendations on: the county revenue and expenditure fiscal structural gap; capital and operating budget appropriations; the sale, ((and)) lease or transfer of real property to or by the county; debt and investment proposals; bond issues; the office of economic and financial analysis; levies unless referred to another committee; supplemental appropriations related to the COVID-19 pandemic response; and financial policies; however, any levy proposals or bond proposals to finance projects or programs to address, mitigate or respond to climate change and its impacts must first be considered and recommendations made by the transit, economy and environment committee and must be considered and recommendations made by the budget and fiscal management committee.

1. The committee shall develop recommendations on policy direction for the biennial budget, based on the recommendations of other council committees and taking into account the estimated fiscal impacts of state and federal legislation.

2. In respect to consideration of the county's proposed biennial budget, all members of the council not assigned to the budget and fiscal management committee shall be considered ex officio voting members of the committee.

B. **Committee of the whole.** The committee of the whole shall consider: issues of interest to the entire council, including appointments to the state legislature and department directors and key subordinate units in the executive branch; the annual legislative program; legislation before the federal, state and local governments that affect King County; the King County Strategic Plan; oversight of Harborview Medical Center; ~~((solid waste including waste to energy;))~~ arts and culture and associated levies, if any; the Puget Sound Taxpayer Accountability Account; gun safety; the immigrant and refugee commission; issues related to the census; the charter review commission; homelessness, including the King County Regional Homelessness Authority; ~~((the Best Starts for Kids levy implementation plan;))~~ COVID-19 pandemic response, excluding supplemental appropriations; racial equity; gender equity; and other program and policy matters. The committee of the whole shall conduct town hall meetings on issues of significance.

C. **Government accountability and oversight committee.**

1. The committee shall consider and make recommendations on:

a. improving the efficiency, cost effectiveness and performance of all branches of county government (legislative, executive and judicial);

b. enhancing oversight, accountability and transparency in King County government, the annual county audit program and federal, state or county audit reports, the administration of the Public Records Act, capital projects oversight, the Puget Sound Emergency Radio Network, ~~((strategic planning,))~~ performance measurement and performance management, management organizational structure and technology management; and

c. general government oversight, including customer service, worker safety, the department of assessments; elections; records and licensing; animal control; cable communications; the county fair; King County international airport; risk management; veterans, and executive services such as telecommunications, facilities management, purchasing and real property management.

2. In the areas within the committee's purview, the committee shall track state and federal legislative action and develop recommendations on policy direction for the biennial budget.

D. **Law, justice, health and human services committee.**

1. The committee shall consider and make recommendations on policies relating to:

a. law, safety~~((;))~~ and criminal justice ~~((and emergency management))~~ programs, including those related to: implementation of the charter amendments related to the duties of the sheriff's office; public safety; adult detention; juvenile justice and youth services; superior and district courts; judicial administration; prosecuting attorney; public defense; emergency medical services; office of law enforcement oversight; bail

reform; pretrial services; alternatives to incarceration; combating human trafficking; hate crime prevention; and civil rights;

b. ~~health ((and housing)) services provided to the community by county agencies and branches, ((including, but not limited to, domestic violence facilitators, court navigators and community courts));~~

c. public health programs, including those related to the protection, promotion and provision functions of the department of public health, including the structure of the public health centers;

d. ~~((affordable housing, including therapeutic and low-income housing;~~

e.)) human services programs, including review of human services-related levies; and

~~((f. economic development including equity and pay disparity.))~~

2. In the areas within the committee's purview, the committee shall track state and federal legislative action and develop recommendations on policy direction for the biennial budget.

**E. Local services and land use committee.**

1. The committee shall consider and make recommendations on policies relating to:

a. ~~((surface water management and))~~ water supply;

b. unincorporated and rural areas~~((, including agriculture and rural services));~~

c. local government;

d. permitting and zoning;

e. county roads and bridges;

f. levies to support county roads and bridges;

g. emergency management ~~((including disaster response, emergency preparedness and emergency planning as it pertains to the unincorporated areas));~~

h. ~~((local services provided by the sheriff;~~

i. ~~utility))~~ annexations ~~((and water and sewer district plans)); ((and~~

j.)) i. local parks and trails;

j. housing;

k. water and sewer district plans; and

l. growth management including regional planning, countywide planning policies; and the

Comprehensive Plan.

2. In the areas within the committee's purview, the committee shall track state and federal legislative

action and develop recommendations on policy direction for the biennial budget.

F. (~~((Mobility and environment))~~) Transportation, economy and environment committee.

1. The committee shall consider and make recommendations on:

- a. transportation, including passenger ferries, regional trails and public transportation including spending plans for new revenue, if any, and fares and fare equity policies;
- b. the environment, including:
  - (1) salmon recovery and barriers to recovery such as culverts;
  - (2) resource lands, (~~((excluding))~~) including agriculture, forestry and mineral resources;
  - (3) energy;
  - (4) water quality, including wastewater;
  - (5) regional parks and open space; (~~((and))~~)
  - (6) climate, including levy proposals or bond proposals to finance projects or programs to address, mitigate or respond to climate change and its impacts, and the King County Strategic Climate Action Plan;
  - (7) solid waste; and
  - (8) surface water management; and
- c. (~~((growth management, including regional planning, Countywide Planning Policies and the Comprehensive Plan))~~) economic development, including equity and pay disparity.

2. In the areas within the committee's purview, the committee shall track state and federal legislative action and develop recommendations on policy direction for the biennial budget.

**OR 2-040. Chairs and vice-chairs.** The council designates the following councilmembers as chairs and vice-chairs of the standing committees created in this motion and the regional committees established in the King County Charter.

Budget and fiscal management committee:

Chair: (~~((Jeanne Kohl-Welles))~~) Joe McDermott.

Vice-chair: (~~((Rod Dembowski))~~) Dave Upthegrove.

Committee of the whole:

Chair: (~~((Joe McDermott))~~) Jeanne Kohl-Welles.

Vice-chair: Reagan Dunn.

Employment and administration committee:

Chair: Claudia Balducci.

Vice-chair: ((~~Joe McDermott~~)) Girmay Zahilay.

Government accountability and oversight committee:

Chair: Pete von Reichbauer.

Vice-chair: ((~~Claudia Balducci~~)) Jeanne Kohl-Welles.

Law, justice, health and human services committee:

Chair: Girmay Zahilay.

Vice-chair: Jeanne Kohl-Welles.

Local services and land use committee:

Chair: ((~~Reagan Dunn~~)) Sarah Perry.

Vice-chair: ((~~Joe McDermott~~)) Claudia Balducci.

((~~Mobility and environment~~)) Transportation, economy and environment committee:

Chair: Rod Dembowski.

Vic-Chair: Pete von Reichbauer.

Regional policy committee:

Chair: Pete von Reichbauer.

Regional transit committee:

Chair: Dave Upthegrove.

Regional water quality committee:

Chair: Reagan Dunn.

**OR 2-050. Memberships.** The council designates the following councilmembers, in addition to the chairs and vice-chairs, as members of the standing committees created in this motion and the regional committees established in the King County Charter.

Budget and fiscal management committee:

Members: Claudia Balducci, Rod Dembowski, Jeanne Kohl-Welles, ((~~Kathy Lambert~~,

~~Joe McDermott~~,)) Sarah Perry, ((~~Dave Upthegrove~~,)) Girmay Zahilay.

Committee of the whole:

Members: All councilmembers.

Employment and administration committee:

Members: All councilmembers.

Government accountability and oversight committee:

Members: Claudia Balducci, ((~~Rod Dembowski~~,)) Reagan Dunn, Joe McDermott.

Law, justice, health and human services committee:

Members: Claudia Balducci, Rod Dembowski, Reagan Dunn, ((~~Kathy Lambert~~, Joe

~~McDermott~~,)) Sarah Perry.

Local services and land use committee:

Members: Reagan Dunn, ((~~Kathy Lambert~~,)) Joe McDermott, Girmay Zahilay.

((~~Mobility and environment~~)) Transportation, economy and environment committee:

Members: Claudia Balducci, ((~~Kathy Lambert~~,)) Jeanne Kohl-Welles, Joe McDermott,

Sarah Perry, Dave Upthegrove, Girmay Zahilay.

Regional policy committee:

Members: Claudia Balducci, Rod Dembowski.

Alternate: Jeanne Kohl-Welles

Regional transit committee:

Members: Joe McDermott, Girmay Zahilay.

Alternate: Claudia Balducci.

Regional water quality committee:

Members: ((~~Claudia Balducci, Kathy Lambert~~)) Sarah Perry, Dave Upthegrove.

Alternate:

**OR 3-120. King County Legislative Employee, Equipment and Facilities Policies.** The King County Legislative Branch Employee, Equipment and Facilities Policies Updated January 11, 2022, Attachment A to ((~~Motion 15998~~)) this motion, are hereby adopted.