



King County

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Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

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, February 27, 2024

Hybrid Meeting

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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:38 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 Upthegrove led the flag salute and Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Minutes of February 9, 2024 Special Meeting and February 20, 2024

Councilmember Dunn moved to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2024 and February 20, 2024, meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.

5. Additions to the Council Agenda

There were no additions to the Council agenda.

6. Special Item

County Service Awards

Executive Constantine presented the following County Service Awards:

Transit Division - Mobility

Jon Bez - 25 (2023)

Cabrina "bRé" Bell - 30

Transit Division - Operations

Charles Barich - 20

Karen J. Berry - 20

Theodore S Esteban - 20

Victor S Fraire - 30

Lynnette Harrell - 35

Elections

Jerelyn Hampton - 20

Lynda Smith - 20

Julie Wise - 20 (2023)

Public Health

Roxana Chen - 20

Moffett Kable Burgess - 20

Yrma Aguilar - 25

Enrique Palacios Garcia - 25

Jodi Warren - 30

Julie Hasz - 30 (2023)

Cynthia Bradshaw - 40

Community and Human Services

Tisa Smith - 20

Adult and Juvenile Detention

Sonya K. Weaver - 25

Local Services - Roads

Victor Daggs, Sr. - 35

Jessy N. Jose - 35

Ruth Harvey - 31

Executive Services

Ryan Nelson - 20

Natural Resources

Pierre LaRochelle - 20 (not present)

Champa R. Sangani - 20

Internet Technology

Darrel Riley - 25

Recognition of Leo Flor, Director of the Department of Community and Human Services, for his outstanding public service

Councilmember Dembowski made remarks, presented the recognition of Leo Flor, Director of the Department of Community and Human Services, for his outstanding public service, and introduced Leo Flor. Leo Flor made remarks and thanked the Council.

7. Public Comment

The following people provided Public Comment:

*Alex Tsimerman
Jules Hughes
Joe Kunzler*

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 6-12

Consent Items

8. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2023-0274.2](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to the executive branch; amending Ordinance 11348, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 1.05.010, Ordinance 11348, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 1.05.030, Ordinance 11348, Section 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 1.05.040, Ordinance 8627, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 1.06.010, Ordinance 10698, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.12.005, Ordinance 18777, Section 5, and K.C.C. 2.16.038, Ordinance 1438, Section 3(c), as amended, and K.C.C. 2.16.060, Ordinance 11955, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.16.130, Ordinance 11319, Section 1, and K.C.C. 2.28.001, Ordinance 15548, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.28.0015, Ordinance 11319, Section 2, and K.C.C. 2.28.002, Ordinance 11319, Section 4, and K.C.C. 2.28.004, Ordinance 11319, Section 5, and K.C.C. 2.28.005, Ordinance 11319, Section 6, and K.C.C. 2.28.006, Ordinance 138, Section 1, and K.C.C. 2.28.010, Ordinance 11319, Section 7, and K.C.C. 2.28.020, Ordinance 15314, Section 1, and K.C.C. 2.28.030, Ordinance 16997, Section 1, and K.C.C. 2.28.050, Ordinance 1872, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.32.120, Ordinance 12529, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.35A.010, Ordinance 17733, Section 4, and K.C.C. 2.35A.020, Ordinance 17733, Section 7, and K.C.C. 2.35A.050, Ordinance 12075, Section 20, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.92.030, Ordinance 13623, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 2A.310.050, Ordinance 18757, Section 2, and K.C.C. 3.12D.010, Ordinance 18757, Section 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.12D.020, Ordinance 16339, Section 17, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.12F.010, Ordinance 197, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.16.010, Ordinance 15393, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.16.100, Ordinance 9206, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.24.010, Ordinance 12014, Section 56, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.24.170, Ordinance 8891, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 10.04.020, Resolution 28232, Section 13, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.44.160, Resolution 28232, Section 14, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.44.170, Ordinance 2041, Section 7, and K.C.C. 12.54.070, Ordinance 12808, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 24.28.020, and Ordinance 18591, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 24.28.050, adding a new section to K.C.C. chapter 2.35A, and repealing Ordinance 8577, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.35A.110, Ordinance 8577, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.35A.120, Ordinance 10217, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.35A.130, Ordinance 8577, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.35A.140, and Ordinance 12075, Section 13, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.35A.150.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

The enacted number is 19741.

Councilmember Dembowski made a motion to remove Item 8 from the Consent Agenda for purposes of further discussion. The motion carried.

A Public Hearing was held and closed. A motion was made by Councilmember Balducci 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

9. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0433](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the King County executive to enter into an agreement with the Washington state Department of Ecology for loan financing of a wastewater capital project.

Sponsors: McDermott and Zahilay

The enacted number is 19739.

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

10. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0036](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to King County district court electoral district boundaries for 2024; and amending Ordinance 16803, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 1.12.050.

Sponsors: von Reichbauer

The enacted number is 19740.

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 Zahilay 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

Motions, from Standing Committees and Regional Committees and Motions related to Collective Bargaining, for Council Action**Consent Items****11. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0346](#)**

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the CJ Enterprise Data Hub implementation plan, in response to the 2023-2024 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19546, Section 129, Proviso P2.

Sponsors: McDermott and Zahilay

The enacted number is 16533.

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

12. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0052](#)

A MOTION authorizing the chair of the King County council to sign a letter of concurrence to the Washington state Department of Natural Resources related to the state legislature's natural climate solutions proviso transfer of parcels at West Tiger Mountain.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

The enacted number is 16534.

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 Zahilay 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

First Reading and Referral of Motions**13. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0061](#)**

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Jerry Blackburn, who resides in council district three, to the King County children and youth advisory board.

Sponsors: Perry

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

14. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0071](#)

A MOTION confirming the appointment of John Taylor as director of the department of natural resources and parks.

Sponsors: Balducci

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

15. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0072](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Hafsa Azaz, who resides in council district three, to the King County women's advisory board, as a council at-large representative.

Sponsors: Perry

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

16. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0074](#)

A MOTION relating to public transportation; acknowledging receipt of the Vanpool Program Update Report submitted in response to the 2023-2024 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19546, Section 114, Proviso P6.

Sponsors: Dembowski

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Transportation, Economy, and Environment Committee.

17. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0075](#)

A MOTION appointing a qualified person to a vacant position on the public hospital district No. 1 board of commissioners.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

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

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

Other Business

In accordance with KCC chapter 2.30, the Chair advised the Council of a vacant at-large position on the Women’s Advisory Board and requested Councilmembers submit nominations to fill that position. Councilmembers were encouraged to review the provisions of KCC 2.30.060.A. for the diversity criteria recommended by that section. Councilmembers may nominate an individual by sending an email to the Chair’s COS (Chief of Staff) and include the name of the individual by March 20, 2024. All nominations will be announced at the March 26, 2024 Council meeting and forwarded to the Executive.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature