



# King County

1200 King County  
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*

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1:30 PM

Tuesday, September 3, 2024

Hybrid Meeting

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#### REVISED AGENDA

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- 3. Listen to the meeting by telephone – See “Connecting to the Webinar” above.**

**1. Call to Order**

*The meeting was called to order at 1:31 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 Dembowski led the flag salute and Pledge of Allegiance.*

**4. Approval of Minutes of August 27, 2024**

*Councilmember Zahilay moved to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2024, meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.*

**5. Additions to the Council Agenda**

## 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 6-16 and 24

*The following people spoke:*  
*Alex Tsimerman*  
*Altinay Karasapan*

### Consent Items 6-7

6. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0188](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the King County executive to execute an agreement with Longacres Owners Association for the sale and use of thermal energy from King County wastewater, and to formally memorialize ownership of the system at the former Longacres site in Renton, Washington.

**Sponsors:** Dembowski

*The enacted number is 19811.*

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

7. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2024-0229.2](#)

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 eight; and amending Ordinance 18546, Section 1.

**Sponsors:** Zahilay

*The enacted number is 19812.*

**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

## **Transportation, Economy and Environment**

### **8. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0222](#)**

AN ORDINANCE approving the grant funding allocation for projects funded through the 2020-2025 parks, recreation, trails, and open space levy grant program in accordance with Ordinance 18890, Motion 15378, Ordinance 19166, and the 2023-2024 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19546, Section 95.

**Sponsors:** Dembowski

*The enacted number is 19813.*

**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 9-11**

### **9. [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

*The enacted number is 16655.*

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

### **10. [Proposed Substitute Motion No. 2024-0230.2](#)**

A MOTION appointing a qualified person to a vacant position on the fire district No. 37 board of commissioners.

**Sponsors:** Dunn

*The enacted number is 16656.*

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

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

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

**Sponsors:** Balducci

*The enacted number is 16657.*

**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

**Committee of the Whole**

12. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0272](#)

A MOTION expressing the King County council's opposition to the approval of Washington state Initiative 2117, which, if approved by voters, would repeal sections of the Climate Commitment Act and prohibit state agencies from implementing any type of carbon tax credit trading.

**Sponsors:** Balducci, Upthegrove, Zahilay, Dembowski, Mosqueda, Barón and Perry

*Councilmember Balducci moved to relieve the Committee of the Whole of further consideration of Proposed Motion 2024-0272, pursuant to K.C.C. 1.24.125. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.*

*The Chair announced that Proposed Motion 2024-0272 would be deferred one week.*

**A Public Hearing was held and closed. This matter was Deferred.**

### Local Services and Land Use

13. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0040](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Eric Oien, who resides in council district nine, to the King County rural forest commission.

**Sponsors:** Dunn

*The Chair announced that Proposed Motion 2024-0040 would be rereferred back to the Local Services and Land Use Committee, as Eric Oien is no longer eligible to be appointed to this vacancy. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.*

**This matter was Re-referred to the Local Services and Land Use Committee**

### Transportation, Economy and Environment

14. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0001](#)

A MOTION relating to solid waste; acknowledging receipt of the sustainable aviation fuel report as required by the 2021-2022 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19210, Section 107, Proviso P1, as amended.

**Sponsors:** Dembowski

*The enacted number is 16658.*

*Pat McLaughlin, Division Director, Solid Waste Division - Department of Natural Resources and Parks, made remarks and briefed the Council.*

**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

15. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0213](#)

A MOTION accepting a RapidRide Prioritization Plan report as called for by Ordinance 19367, Section 6.B., which report includes an update on the status of the planning and design of the RapidRide K and R lines, in response to Ordinance 19546, Section 114, Proviso P4.C.

**Sponsors:** Mosqueda

*The enacted number is 16659.*

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

## Reappointment Consent Agenda - Item 16

16. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0267](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Jeff Boyce, who resides in council district three, to the King County rural forest commission, representing rural cities.

**Sponsors:** Perry

*The enacted number is 16660.*

**A Public Hearing was held and closed. A motion was made by Councilmember Zahilay that this Motion be Passed on the Consent Agenda. 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

17. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0273](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to the citizens' elections oversight committee; and amending Ordinance 15453, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C.2.53.021 and adding a new section to K.C.C. chapter 2.16.

**Sponsors:** Upthegrove

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

18. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0275](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the vacation of a portion of the unnamed Alley and Street in the Plat of Stillwater, V-2754; Petitioners: Patricia Barajas and Cuauhtemoc Barajas Reina, Michael and Kyong O. Hong, and Zoe and Derek Anderson.

**Sponsors:** Upthegrove

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

19. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0277](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to the concept of Complete Streets, which promotes roadways that are safe and convenient for all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, transit riders, and motor vehicle drivers of all ages and abilities.

**Sponsors:** Perry and Balducci

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



## First Reading and Referral of Motions

20. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0249](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Lauren Berkowitz, who resides in council district eight, to the King County personnel board.

**Sponsors:** Mosqueda

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

21. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0274](#)

A MOTION approving a forest carbon credit approval report in accordance with K.C.C. chapter 18.35.

**Sponsors:** Dembowski

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

22. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0279](#)

A MOTION requesting the executive establish a regional workforce housing initiative and develop an implementation plan on options to utilize excess debt capacity to partner with housing agencies and housing developers to provide permanently rent-restricted multiple-unit housing.

**Sponsors:** Zahilay and Dembowski

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

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

**Other Business**

24. **Memorial recognition of Dr. Michael K. Copass for his contributions to the emergency medical care field**

*Chair Upthegrove announced that the Memorial Recognition has been officially acknowledged and presented in the community.*

**Adjournment**

*The meeting was adjourned at 2:06 p.m.*

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

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Clerk's Signature