



King County

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Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Meeting Minutes

Metropolitan King County Council

*Councilmembers: Sarah Perry, Chair;
Jorge Barón, Vice Chair of Policy Development and Review;
Reagan Dunn, Vice Chair of Regional Coordination;
Claudia Balducci, Rod Dembowski, Steffanie Fain,
Rhonda Lewis, Teresa Mosqueda, Pete von Reichbauer*

1:30 PM

Tuesday, April 21, 2026

Hybrid Meeting

REVISED AGENDA

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1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:33 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Present: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Fain, Lewis, Mosqueda, Perry and von Reichbauer

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

Councilmember Dembowski led the flag salute and Pledge of Allegiance.

4. **Approval of Minutes of April 7, 2026**

Councilmember Barón moved to approve the minutes of the April 7, 2026, meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.

5. **Additions to the Council Agenda**

There were no additions.

6. **Special Items**

Proclamation of April 14, 2026, as Vaisakhi Day in King County

Councilmember Fain and Councilmember von Reichbauer made remarks and presented the proclamation to Satwinder Kaur.

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 6-10 & 28

The following people spoke:

Kevin Altheimer

Yvette Dinish

Jerry Blackburn

Joe Kunzler

Megan Walsh

Lisa Stirgus

Donald Felder

Alex Tsimerman

Andrew Roberts Brewer

7. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0048](#)

AN ORDINANCE declaring a one-year moratorium prohibiting the acceptance of applications for the establishment of new or expansion of existing detention facilities, as primary or accessory uses; establishing a work plan; and declaring an emergency.

Sponsors: Mosqueda, Barón, Balducci, Lewis and Dembowski

An advertised Public Hearing to comply with the requirements of RCW36.70A.390 was held and closed.

A Public Hearing was held and closed.

First Reading of and action on Motions without Referral to Committee

8. [Proposed Motion No. 2026-0087](#)

A MOTION authorizing all members of the King County council to sign a letter calling for John Arthur Wilson to immediately resign as the King County assessor.

Sponsors: Perry

The enacted number is 16964.

Councilmember Barón made a motion to suspend the rules to take action without referral to committee pursuant to K.C.C. 1.24.085. The motion carried.

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

Yes: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Fain, Lewis, Mosqueda, Perry, and von Reichbauer

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

Consent Items 9-10

9. [Proposed Substitute Motion No. 2025-0366.2](#)

A MOTION adopting the 2025 King County Youth Action Plan; and rescinding Motion 14378 and Motion 14378, Attachment A.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

The enacted number is 16966.

Councilmember Dembowski made a motion to remove Item 9 from the Consent Agenda. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.

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, Fain, Lewis, Mosqueda, Perry, and von Reichbauer

10. [Proposed Motion No. 2026-0029](#)

A MOTION authorizing the department of public health to accept a donation of \$233,411 from Virginia Mason Medical Center, to be used for Eastgate Public Health Center operations and services.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

The enacted number is 16965.

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

Yes: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Fain, Lewis, Mosqueda, Perry, and von Reichbauer

First Reading and Referral of Ordinances

11. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0069](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to the sale of the property parcel 212205-9183 located in Kent, Washington, in council district five.

Sponsors: Fain

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

12. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0070](#)

A MOTION approving a letter regarding a staffing plan for the Harborview construction and infrastructure division, as called for in the 2026-2027 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 20023, Section 103, Proviso P1.

Sponsors: Barón

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

13. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0073](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to organization of administrative offices and executive departments; and amending Ordinance 17402, Section 1, and K.C.C. 2.10.400, Ordinance 12550, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.14.020, Ordinance 18665, Section 6, and K.C.C. 2.15.030, Ordinance 18665, Section 8, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.15.100, Ordinance 12075, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.16.025, Ordinance 18793, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.16.036, Ordinance 11955, Section 5, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.16.055, Ordinance 18086, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.16.136, Ordinance 12076, Section 38, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.21.040, Ordinance 19770, Section 4, and K.C.C. 2.31.030, Ordinance 17699, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.36.100, Ordinance 12901, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.41.030, Ordinance 18811, Section 1, and K.C.C. 2.42.150, Ordinance 18798, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.47.010, Ordinance 12058, Section 9, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.55.010, Ordinance 18653, Section 3, and K.C.C. 2.78.020, Ordinance 18653, Section 8, and K.C.C. 2.78.070, Ordinance 16077, Section 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.130.010, Ordinance 19008, Section 7, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.150.050, Ordinance 12014, Section 32, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.12.350, Ordinance 12943, Section 14, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.12A.020, Ordinance 18757, Section 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.12D.020, Ordinance 8658, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.16.040, Ordinance 14287, Section 5, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.16.055, Ordinance 12076, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.04.020, Ordinance 12076, Section 35, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.10.050, Ordinance 17293, Section 90, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.10.495, Ordinance 12045, Section 23, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.100.040, Ordinance 17929, Section 20, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.100.070, Ordinance 17929, Section 21, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.100.080, Ordinance 620, Section 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.100.100, Ordinance 12076, Section 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.110.010, Ordinance 17930, Section 13, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.130.020, Ordinance 15556, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.200.190, Ordinance 19841, Section 1, and K.C.C. 4A.200.213, Ordinance 19786, Section 1, and K.C.C. 4A.200.266, Ordinance 18662, Section 5, and K.C.C. 4A.200.317, Ordinance 18938, Section 1, and K.C.C. 4A.200.405, Ordinance 15961, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.200.570, Ordinance 17527, Section 69, and K.C.C. 4A.200.580, Ordinance 12076, Section 27, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.200.590, Ordinance 14596, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.200.620, Ordinance 10159, Section 14, as amended, and K.C.C. 6.27A.120, Ordinance 13981, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.17.010, Ordinance 13981, Section 4, as

amended, and K.C.C. 12.17.030, Ordinance 13981, Section 5, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.17.040, Ordinance 13981, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.17.050, Ordinance 13981, Section 7, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.17.060, Ordinance 13981, Section 8, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.17.070, Ordinance 13981, Section 9, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.17.080, Ordinance 13981, Section 10, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.17.090, Ordinance 7430, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.18.020, Ordinance 7430, Section 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.18.040, Ordinance 7430, Section 5, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.18.050, Ordinance 7430, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.18.060, Ordinance 7430, Section 7, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.18.070, Ordinance 7430, Section 8, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.18.080, Ordinance 15399, Section 17, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.18.085, Ordinance 7430, Section 9, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.18.090, Ordinance 13263, Section 52, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.18.097, Ordinance 19762, Section 12, and K.C.C. 12.18B.030, Ordinance 5280, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.20.020, Ordinance 5280, Section 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.20.070, Ordinance 5280, Section 5, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.20.080, Ordinance 5280, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.20.090, Ordinance 10469, Section 11, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.20.095, Ordinance 5280, Section 7, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.20.100, Ordinance 5280, Section 9, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.20.120, Ordinance 10469, Section 13, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.20.122, Ordinance 10469, Section 14, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.20.124, Ordinance 10469, Section 16, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.20.133, Ordinance 13263, Section 53, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.20.150, Ordinance 8625, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.22.020, Ordinance 8625, Section 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.22.040, Ordinance 8625, Section 5, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.22.050, Ordinance 8625, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.22.060, Ordinance 8625, Section 7, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.22.070, Ordinance 8625, Section 8, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.22.080, Ordinance 15399, Section 59, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.22.085, Ordinance 8625, Section 9, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.22.090, Ordinance 15399, Section 54, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.22.095, Ordinance 13147, Section 27, as amended, and K.C.C. 20.18.110, Ordinance 4461, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 20.22.040, Ordinance 19881, Section 164, and K.C.C. 21A.08.055, Ordinance 10870, Section 337, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.08.100, Ordinance 14045, Section 30, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.14.225, Ordinance 16267, Section 62, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.28.154, Ordinance 17287, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.55.105, and Ordinance 8867, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 26.12.010 and repealing Ordinance 15378, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 1.36.060.

Sponsors: Barón

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

14. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0074](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving an application for current use assessment for public benefit rating system, submitted by Derek King for property located at 43205 196th Avenue, Enumclaw, WA 98022, designated department of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E25CT018.

Sponsors: Perry

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

15. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0075](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving an application for current use assessment for public benefit rating system, submitted by Holly Simpkins and Lewis Guenther for property located at 22626 111th Avenue SW, Vashon, WA 98070, designated department of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E25CT022.

Sponsors: Perry

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

16. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0076](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving an application for current use assessment for public benefit rating system, submitted by Courtney Secor for property located at 12824 SW Cove Road, Vashon, WA 98070, designated department of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E25CT023.

Sponsors: Perry

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

17. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0077](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving an application for current use assessment for public benefit rating system, submitted by Isabelle Ormseth for property located at 13505 SW 261st Place, Vashon, WA 98070, designated department of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E25CT025.

Sponsors: Perry

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

18. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0078](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving an application for current use assessment for public benefit rating system, submitted by Graeme and Lois Laughlin for property located 18802 SE Jones Road, Renton, WA 98058, designated department of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E25CT032.

Sponsors: Perry

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

19. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0083](#)

AN ORDINANCE amending an interim loan program to facilitate acquisition of property for low-income housing, allowing for the executive to extend loan terms and grant further flexibility to county partners; and amending Ordinance 16693, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 24.22.020, Ordinance 16693, Section 4, and K.C.C. 24.22.030, and Ordinance 16693, Section 5, and K.C.C. 24.22.040.

Sponsors: Dembowski

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

20. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0086](#)

AN ORDINANCE imposing an additional sales and use tax of one-hundredth of one percent, as authorized in Chapter 221, Laws of Washington 2026); amending Ordinance 175752, Section 12, as amended, and K.C.C. 4A.200.355, adding a new chapter to K.C.C. Title 4A, and establishing an effective date.

Sponsors: Barón

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

First Reading and Referral of Motions

21. [Proposed Motion No. 2026-0058](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Jacqueline Reyes, who resides in council district eight, to the conservation futures advisory committee, as an at-large representative.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

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

22. [Proposed Motion No. 2026-0060](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Ben Antonius, who resides in council district two, to the conservation futures advisory committee, as a council district two representative.

Sponsors: Lewis

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

23. [Proposed Motion No. 2026-0079](#)

A MOTION adopting the King County 2026 Federal Legislative Priorities.

Sponsors: Perry

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

24. [Proposed Motion No. 2026-0080](#)

A MOTION confirming the appointment of Sandra Valenciano as director of the King County department of public health.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

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

25. [Proposed Motion No. 2026-0081](#)

A MOTION confirming the appointment of Susan McLaughlin as director of the King County department of community and human services.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

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

26. [Proposed Motion No. 2026-0084](#)

A MOTION approving the King County youth diversion and intervention program report required by 2026-2027 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 20023, Section 108, Proviso P1, related to employment and education resources.

Sponsors: Lewis

This matter was Introduced and Referred to the Law and Justice Committee

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

Other Business

Proclamation/Recognition Presented in the Community

28. **Recognition of the Seattle Torrent women’s hockey team for their historic inaugural season and impact on the community**

Councilmember Barón announced that the recognition has been officially acknowledged and presented in the community.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature