



King County

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516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Meeting Minutes

Metropolitan King County Council

*Councilmembers: Girmay Zahilay, Chair;
Sarah Perry, Vice Chair of Policy Development and Review;
Reagan Dunn, Vice Chair of Regional Coordination;
Claudia Balducci, Jorge L. Barón, Rod Dembowski,
Teresa Mosqueda, De'Sean Quinn, Pete von Reichbauer*

1:30 PM

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Quinn, von Reichbauer and Zahilay

3. Flag Salute and Pledge of Allegiance

Councilmember Balducci led the flag salute and Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Minutes of September 2, 2025

Councilmember Perry moved to approve the minutes of the September 2, 2025, meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.

5. Additions to the Council Agenda

There were no additions.

6. Special Items**Legislative Branch Service Awards**

Chair Zahilay presented service awards to the following Legislative Branch employees:

Clara Manahan - 5 years

Lauren Olson - 5 years

Jessica Osoy - 5 years

Lorena Gutierrez Perez - 5 years

Dan Loya - 10 years

Rhonda Lewis - 15 years

Elise Daniels - 20 years

Tracy Calderon - 30 years

Proclamation of September 15 to 21, 2025, as Diaper Need Awareness Week in King County

Councilmember Balducci, Councilmember Perry, and Executive Braddock, made remarks, presented the Proclamation of September 15 to 21, 2025, as Diaper Need Awareness Week in King County, and introduced Morgan McGinn, Director of Development and Communications at WestSide Baby and Helen Banks Routon, Director of Development and Community Relations at KidVantage, formerly Eastside Baby Corner. Helen Banks Routon and Morgan McGinn made remarks and thanked the Council.

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 (Proclamation Only) and 7-10.

The following people spoke:

Alex Tsimmerman

Alissa Campbell

Joe Kunzler

David Ames

Budget and Fiscal Management

7. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2025-0182.2](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to solid waste fees charged at recycling and transfer facilities and at the Cedar Hills regional landfill; and amending Ordinance 12564, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 10.12.021 and establishing an effective date.

Sponsors: Zahilay

April Sanders, Council Staff, briefed the Council and answered questions.

John Taylor, Director, Natural Resources and Parks, briefed the Council and answered questions.

David Pierce, Manager, Enterprise Services Section Manager, Solid Waste Division, briefed the Council and answered questions.

Rebecca Singer, Director, Solid Waste Division, briefed the Council and answered questions.

At the request of Councilmember Dembowski, the Chair deferred Proposed Substitute Ordinance 2025-0182 to the September 16, 2025, Council meeting.

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

First Reading of and Action on Emergency Ordinances without Referral to Committee

8. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0275](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to council rules and order of business; amending Ordinance 11683, Section 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 1.24.035; and declaring an emergency.

Sponsors: Zahilay

The enacted number is 19968.

Councilmember Perry moved to suspend the rules to hold a public hearing less than seven days after first reading pursuant to K.C.C. 1.24.095 and a motion to suspend the rules to take action on Item 8 without referral to committee pursuant to K.C.C. 1.24.095. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.

Jeff Muhm, Chief Policy Officer, briefed the Council and answered questions.

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

Yes: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Quinn, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

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

Consent Item 9

9. [Proposed Substitute Motion No. 2025-0259.2](#)

A MOTION confirming the appointment of John Rodriguez to the citizens' elections oversight committee as a representative of the Spanish-speaking community.

Sponsors: Zahilay

The enacted number is 16872.

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

Yes: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Quinn, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

Reappointment Consent Agenda Item 10

10. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0243](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Bilan Aden, who resides in council district five, to the King County Communities of Opportunity-Best Starts for Kids levy advisory board, as a community member who reflects demographic characteristics of the communities that qualify for funding in accordance with Communities of Opportunity funding guidelines and who are grassroots organizers or activists in those communities or who live in or have worked in those communities.

Sponsors: Quinn

The enacted number is 16873.

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

Yes: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Quinn, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

First Reading and Referral of Ordinances

11. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0260](#)

AN ORDINANCE revising the loan agreement between King County and the Pacific Science Center Foundation.

Sponsors: Barón

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

12. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0269](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving the City of Redmond Water System Plan dated May 2025.

Sponsors: Perry

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

13. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0270](#)

AN ORDINANCE adopting the 2025 King County real property asset management plan in response to K.C.C. 4.56.350; and amending Ordinance 10810, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.56.350.

Sponsors: Dembowski

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

14. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0271](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the executive to execute an amendment to an agreement approved under Ordinance 19821 with the Washington state Department of Ecology for loan financing for a wastewater capital project.

Sponsors: Dembowski

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

15. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0276](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving the grant funding allocation for the council-designated projects funded through the WaterWorks grant program, for the 2025 cycle, in accordance with the 2025 Annual Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19861, Section 59, as amended, and Ordinance 18031, Section 1, as amended.

Sponsors: Quinn

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

First Reading and Referral of Motions

16. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0239](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Yessica Osorio Duran, who resides in council district five, to the King County children and youth advisory board, as a youth representative.

Sponsors: Quinn

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

17. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0240](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Megan Walsh, 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, Housing, and Human Services Committee.

18. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0254](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Jeni Johnson, who resides in council district eight, to the King County mental illness and drug dependency advisory committee, as a representative of unincorporated King County.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

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

19. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0261](#)

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

Sponsors: Quinn

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

20. Reports on Special and Outside Committees

No reports were given.

Other Business

No other business was presented.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:43 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature