



King County Meeting Proceedings

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Committee of the Whole

**Councilmembers: Dow Constantine, Chair; Reagan Dunn, Vice Chair;
Bob Ferguson, Larry Gossett, Jane Hague, Kathy Lambert, Julia Patterson,
Larry Phillips, Pete von Reichbauer**

**Staff: Nick Wagner, Lead Analyst (296-1679); Marilyn Cope, Analyst
(296-1671);
Joanne Rasmussen, Committee Assistant (296-0333)**

Room 1001

July 21, 2008

9:30 AM

1. **Call to Order**

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The Metropolitan King County Council's Committee of the Whole meeting was called to order at 9:42 a.m. by Chair Dow Constantine.

2. **Roll Call**

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Present: Mr. Constantine, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Lambert, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Hague, Mr. Phillips, Mr. von Reichbauer and Mr. Gossett

3. **Approval of Minutes of the July 7, 2008 and July 14, 2008 meetings**

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Councilmember Gossett moved to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2008 Committee of the Whole meeting and the July 14, 2008 Committee of the Whole Town Hall meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

4. **Additions to the Council's agenda of July 21, 2008**

There were no additions to the July 21, 2008 Council agenda.

Discussion and Possible Action

5. **Proposed Motion No. 2008-0374**

**Mr. Dunn, Mr. Constantine and Mr.
Phillips**

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A MOTION authorizing the chair of the council to enter into a contract for services to represent the county with the Washington state Legislature.

Chuck Williams, Director of Governmental Relations, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members. Councilmember Patterson moved amendment 1 clarifying that the document to be signed is an extension of an existing contract. The amendment passed unanimously.

Councilmember Patterson moved the title amendment. The title amendment passed unanimously.

Amended

A motion was made by Ms. Patterson that this matter be Recommended Do Pass Substitute.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yes: 6 - Mr. Constantine, Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Lambert, Ms. Patterson, Mr. Phillips and Mr. Gossett

No: 0

Excused: 3 - Mr. Dunn, Ms. Hague and Mr. von Reichbauer

Briefing

6. [Briefing No. 2008-B0176](#)

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Small Business Development and Apprenticeship Programs

Mike Alvine, Council Staff, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members.

The following panel members offered comments and answered questions during a powerpoint presentation on the Office of Business Relations & Economic Development's apprenticeship program, contracting opportunities program and new program tools: George Northcroft, Director, Business Relations and Economic Development (BRED), Ray Moser, Manager Economic Development, BRED, and Sandy Hanks, Contract Compliance Supervisor, BRED. The booklet entitled, "Business Connections" was distributed to the councilmembers.

Willie Winston, King County citizen, commented on suggestions to improve the King County programs. A copy of his comments was distributed to the members. Elaine Ko, Director, Office of Social Responsibility, Port of Seattle, discussed the Port of Seattle's program goals and achievements and answered questions from the members. A document entitled, "Office of Social Responsibility" was distributed to the members. Silas Potter, Manager, Small Works HUB Program, Seattle Public Schools, discussed the Small Works HUB Program and answered questions from the members. Tony Benjamin, Executive Director, Contractors Development & Competitiveness Center, Urban League of Metropolitan Seattle, distributed and discussed a memo from the Urban League to the Council dated July 21, 2008 outlining suggestions from the Urban League for equitable inclusion of local small business in the economic opportunities offered by King County. He answered questions from the members.

Public Comment was offered by the following members of the audience:

Larry Vincent, Vincent Brothers

Eddie Rye, Jr., Community Coalition, Contracts and Jobs

This matter was Presented.

Discussion and Possible Action

7. [Proposed Motion No. 2008-0381](#)

Mr. Constantine

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A MOTION approving a plan for regional voting centers and ballot drop boxes as required by Ordinance 15523 and giving approval for the executive to enter into an interlocal agreement to implement the plan.

Mike Alvine, Council Staff, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members. Cheryl Huff, Director, Elections Division, Alex Herzog, Analyst, Vote-by-mail Project, Elections Division, and Bill Huennekens, Manager, Vote-by-mail Project, Elections Division, answered questions from the members. Councilmember Patterson moved Amendment 1 which clarifies that the Renton RVC will be open for 20 days and that the Seattle and Bellevue RVC's will be open for four days. Amendment 1 passed 7-1, with Councilmember Lambert voting no and Councilmember von Reichbauer excused. Councilmember Patterson moved Amendment 2 which replaces an out of date list of ballot drop box locations with an updated list. Amendment 2 passed unanimously. Councilmember Patterson moved Amendment 4 which directs the Elections Director to work with advocacy groups and Metro transit to ensure that adequate transportation is available to the regional voting centers for voters with disabilities. The amendment passed unanimously. Councilmember Patterson moved a title amendment. The title amendment passed unanimously.

Amended

A motion was made by Ms. Patterson that this matter be Recommended Do Pass Substitute.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yes: 6 - Mr. Constantine, Mr. Dunn, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Hague, Mr. Phillips and Mr. Gossett
No: 1 - Ms. Lambert
Excused: 1 - Mr. von Reichbauer

8. Proposed Ordinance No. 2008-0385

Mr. Constantine

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AN ORDINANCE authorizing the executive to enter into an interlocal agreement with the city of Seattle for the placement of ballot drop boxes.

Mike Alvine, Council Staff, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members. Cheryl Huff, Director, Elections Division, answered questions from the members. This item was expedited to the July 21, 2008 Council agenda.

A motion was made by Mr. Dunn that this matter be Recommended Do Pass. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Yes: 7 - Mr. Constantine, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Lambert, Ms. Patterson, Mr. Phillips and Mr. Gossett
No: 0
Excused: 2 - Ms. Hague and Mr. von Reichbauer

9. Other Business

There was no further business to come before the committee.

10. Adjournment

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The meeting was adjourned at 11:56 a.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____.

Clerk's Signature