



# King County

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Courthouse  
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*

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1:30 PM

Tuesday, September 23, 2025

Hybrid Meeting

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**1. Call to Order**

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

*The Chair recessed the meeting at 2:16 p.m.*

*The Chair reconvened the meeting at 2:26 p.m.*

*The Chair recessed the meeting at 3:01 p.m.*

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*The Chair recessed the meeting at 5:16 p.m. and passed the gavel to Vice-Chair Dunn.*

*Vice-Chair Dunn reconvened the meeting at 5:22 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 Dunn led the flag salute and Pledge of Allegiance.*

**4. Approval of Minutes of September 16, 2025**

*Councilmember Dunn moved to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2025, meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.*

**5. Additions to the Council Agenda**

*There were no additions.*

**6. Special Item****County Executive Shannon Braddock presents the Budget Address**

*Executive Shannon Braddock presented the 2026-2027 Budget.*

**Proclamation of September 2025 as National Service Dog Month in King County**

*Councilmember Mosqueda made remarks, presented the proclamation and introduced Katie Owensby, Heath Owensby, and Kevin. Heath Owensby made remarks and thanked the Council.*

**Proclamation of September 29 to October 5, 2025, as Week Without Driving in King County**

*Councilmember Balducci made remarks, presented the proclamation and introduced Celia Black, Organizer Disability Rights WA, and Dr. Ettore Palazzo, CEO, EvergreenHealth. Celia Black and Dr. Ettore Palazzo made remarks and thanked the Council.*

**7. Public Comment**

*The following people spoke:*

*Alex Tsimmerman*

*Traci Buxton*

*Alan Axelrod*

*Tracie Hiemstra*

*Bruce Halstead*

*Glen Hiemstra*

*Cecillia Coulter*

*Sattie Zapata Nyachwaya*

*Jose Ortuzar*

*Christina Sawyckyj*

*Amarinthia Torres*

*Erin Reinhart*

*Chloe Gale*

*Alison Eisinger*

*Carolanne Sanders Lundgren*

*Kate Rubin*

*Dane Austreng*

*Kasey Burton*

*Amy Drayer*

*Sean Flynn*

*Brandi McNeil*

*George Gonzales*

*Eunice How*

*Nela Cumming*

*Jeni Johnson*

*Jordan Mitchell*

*Kate Garvey*

## 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 6-30

*The Public Hearing on Items 6-30 was held under Item 7 - Public Comment.*

### **Consent Items 8-12**

8. **[Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2025-0171.2](#)**

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the executive to execute interlocal agreements with school districts for continued collection of school impact fees.

**Sponsors:** Perry

*The enacted number is 19971.*

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

9. **[Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0208](#)**

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the executive to enter into interlocal agreements for salmon conservation efforts in the Snoqualmie and South Fork Skykomish Watershed within Water Resource Inventory Area 7, the Lake Washington/Cedar/Sammamish Watershed also known as Water Resource Inventory Area 8, and the Green/Duwamish and Central Puget Sound Watershed also known as Water Resource Inventory Area 9.

**Sponsors:** Perry

*The enacted number is 19972.*

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

10. **[Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0221](#)**

AN ORDINANCE revising the corporate boundary of the city of Enumclaw to include the unincorporated portions of Southeast 440th Street right-of-way as provided for in RCW 35A.21.210.

**Sponsors:** Dunn

*The enacted number is 19973.*

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

**11. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0222](#)**

AN ORDINANCE revising the corporate boundary of the city of Snoqualmie to include the unincorporated portion of 384th Avenue Southeast right-of-way as provided for in RCW 35A.21.210.

**Sponsors:** Perry

*The enacted number is 19974.*

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

**12. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0229](#)**

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 2025 Annual Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19861, Section 95.

**Sponsors:** Quinn

*The enacted number is 19975.*

**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 Perry that the Consent Agenda be passed. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**Budget and Fiscal Management****13. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2025-0212.2](#)**

AN ORDINANCE relating to the levy collection of the sales and use tax of one-tenth of one percent for the delivery of behavioral health services and therapeutic courts authorized by RCW 82.14.460; continuing the sales and use tax; adding a new section to K.C.C. chapter 4A.500, establishing an effective date, and establishing an expiration date.

**Sponsors:** Dembowski

*The enacted number is 19976.*

*Sam Porter, Council Staff, briefed the Council and answered questions.*

*Councilmember Balducci moved Amendment 1.*

*Councilmember Balducci withdrew Amendment 1.*

*Kelly Rider, Director, Community and Human Services, briefed the Council and answered questions.*

**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, Quinn, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

**14. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0249](#)**

AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance 19862, enacted December 2, 2024, which authorized the issuance of limited tax general obligation bonds of the county; and amending Ordinance 19862, Section 1, as amended, Section 2, as amended, Section 4, as amended, Section 13, as amended, Section 17, as amended, and Section 19, as amended, and repealing Ordinance 19954, Attachment B.

**Sponsors:** Mosqueda

*Chair Zahilay announced that Item 14 would be deferred to the October 7, 2025, Council meeting.*

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

**15. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2025-0250.2](#)**

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Broadway Facility appropriation; making a supplemental appropriation of \$41,568,000 to the Broadway Facility fund; and adding a new section to the 2025 Annual Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19861.

**Sponsors:** Mosqueda

*Chair Zahilay announced that Item 15 would be deferred to the October 7, 2025, Council meeting.*

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

**16. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0251](#)**

AN ORDINANCE establishing the Broadway Facility fund; and adding a new section to K.C.C. chapter 4A.200.

**Sponsors:** Mosqueda

*Chair Zahilay announced that Item 16 would be deferred to the October 7, 2025, Council meeting.*

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



**Government Accountability and Oversight****17. Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2025-0018.2**

AN ORDINANCE relating to antidiscrimination text and making technical corrections, amending Ordinance 18665, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.15.005, Ordinance 16692, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.15.010, Ordinance 17706, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.15.020, Ordinance 19963, Section 2, and K.C.C. 2.15.XXX, Ordinance 12014, Section 18, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.12.180, Ordinance 18757, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.12D.010, Ordinance 18757, Section 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.12D.020, Ordinance 10159, Section 14, as amended, and K.C.C. 6.27A.120, Ordinance 14509, Section 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 7.01.010, Ordinance 11992, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.16.010, Ordinance 11992, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.16.020, Ordinance 11992, Section 7, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.16.050, Ordinance 11992, Section 9, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.16.070, Ordinance 10849, Section 19, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.16.125, Ordinance 13981, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.17.002, Ordinance 13981, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.17.010, Ordinance 7430, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.18.010, Ordinance 7430, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.18.020, Ordinance 5280, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.20.010, Ordinance 5280, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.20.020, Ordinance 5280, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.20.040, Ordinance 5280, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.20.050, Ordinance 5280, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.20.060, Ordinance 5280, Section 10, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.20.130, Ordinance 8625, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.22.010, Ordinance 8625, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.22.020, Ordinance 8625, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 12.22.030, Ordinance 8034, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 22.16.030, and adding a new section to K.C.C. chapter 3.12D.

**Sponsors:** Upthegrove, Barón, Dembowski and Quinn

*The enacted number is 19977*

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

**Health, Housing, and Human Services****18. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0266](#)**

AN ORDINANCE relating to contract management and compliance monitoring protocols for the department of community and human services; and amending Ordinance 11955, Section 5, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.16.130.

**Sponsors:** Dunn, Balducci, Perry, Zahilay, Barón and Quinn

*The enacted number is 19978.*

*Miranda Leskinen, Council Staff, briefed the Council and answered questions.*

*Councilmember Dunn moved Striking Amendment S1.*

*Miranda Leskinen stated there was a correction on Line 5 of Striking Amendment S1, after "August", strike "25" and insert "26". There was no objection to the correction.*

*Wendy Soohoo, Council Staff, made remarks.*

*Kelly Rider, Director, Community and Human Services, briefed the Council and answered questions.*

*Dwight Dively, Director, Performance, Strategy, and Budget, briefed the Council and answered questions.*

*Councilmember Dunn moved Amendment 1 to Striking Amendment S1.*

*Councilmember Balducci made an oral amendment to Amendment 1 to Striking Amendment S1, after "function", strike "reporting to the chief operating 5 officer in the office of the executive".*

*Voting on Amendment 1 as amended, the motion carried.*

*Councilmember Dembowski moved Amendment 3. The motion carried.*

*Voting on Striking Amendment S1, as amended, the motion carried.*

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

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

**19. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2025-0267.2](#)**

AN ORDINANCE relating to prohibiting algorithmic rent fixing; and adding a new chapter to K.C.C. Title 12.

**Sponsors:** Mosqueda

*The enacted number is 19979.*

*Melissa Bailey, Council Staff, briefed the Council and answered questions.*

*Councilmember Mosqueda moved Amendment 1. The motion carried.*

*Councilmember Mosqueda moved Amendment 2. The motion carried.*

*Councilmember Quinn moved Amendment 3.*

*Councilmember Dembowski made an oral amendment, on Page 2, Line 27, after "establish rental prices", insert, ", consistent with federal law."*

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

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

**Metropolitan King County Council****20. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0278](#)**

AN ORDINANCE relating to the levy collection of the sales and use tax of one-tenth of one percent for the delivery of behavioral health services and therapeutic courts authorized by RCW 82.14.460; continuing the sales and use tax; adding a new section to K.C.C. chapter 4A.500, establishing an effective date, and establishing an expiration date.

**Sponsors:** von Reichbauer

*As confirmed by Kendall Moore, Assistant Chief Legal Counsel, the Chair announced that Proposed Ordinance 2025-0278 would be referred to the Budget and Fiscal Management Committee.*

**A Public Hearing was held and closed. This matter was Referred to the Budget and Fiscal Management Committee**

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

### Consent Items 21-29

21. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0145](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Peter Lewis, who resides in council district seven, to the King County veterans advisory board.

**Sponsors:** von Reichbauer

*The enacted number is 16879.*

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

22. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0150](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Jesse Anderson, who works in council district eight, to the Puget Sound Emergency Radio Network operator board of directors, as King County's primary representative.

**Sponsors:** Mosqueda

*The enacted number is 16880.*

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

23. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0151](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Ian Huri, who works in council district eight, to the Puget Sound Emergency Radio Network operator board of directors, as an alternate for the King County representative.

**Sponsors:** Mosqueda

*The enacted number is 16881.*

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

**24. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0156](#)**

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Brian Berry, who resides in council district one, to the King County veterans advisory board.

**Sponsors:** Dembowski

*The enacted number is 16882.*

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

**25. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0184](#)**

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Preston Anderson, who resides in council district eight, to the King County veterans, seniors and human services levy advisory board's veterans committee, as the district eight representative.

**Sponsors:** Mosqueda

*The enacted number is 16883.*

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

**26. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0198](#)**

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Juanita Pettersen, who resides in council district three, to the King County veterans advisory board.

**Sponsors:** Perry

*The enacted number is 16884.*

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

**27. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0199](#)**

A MOTION accepting the King County Clean Water Healthy Habitat Strategic Plan 2020-2025 in accordance with Ordinance 19881, Section 377.

**Sponsors:** Perry

*The enacted number is 16885.*

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

**28. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0200](#)**

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Douglas Hollingsworth, who resides in council district eight, to the King County veterans advisory board.

**Sponsors:** Mosqueda

*The enacted number is 16886.*

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

**29. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0209](#)**

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of a report on streamlining food business permitting process, in accordance with the 2025 Annual Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19861, Section 104, Proviso P1.

**Sponsors:** Mosqueda

*The enacted number is 16887.*

**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 Perry that the Consent Agenda be passed. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**Law and Justice****30. [Proposed Substitute Motion No. 2025-0206.2](#)**

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of an independent monitoring report on the confinement of juveniles in county detention facilities as required by the 2025 Annual Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19861, Section 54, Proviso P3.

**Sponsors:** Barón

*The enacted number is 16888.*

*Councilmember Dembowski moved Amendment 1. The motion carried.*

**A Public Hearing was held and closed. A motion was made by Councilmember Barón that this Motion be Passed as Amended. 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

31. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0284](#)

AN ORDINANCE regarding membership on the King County board of health; and amending Ordinance 19418, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.35.021, Ordinance 19418, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.35.022, and Ordinance 19418, Section 5, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.35.026.

**Sponsors:** Mosqueda

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

32. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0285](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving and adopting the updated 2025-2030 King County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan, as approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

**Sponsors:** Zahilay

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

## First Reading and Referral of Motions

33. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0262](#)

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

**Sponsors:** von Reichbauer

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

**34. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0281](#)**

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Kazia Mermel, who resides in council district two, to the King County waterworks grant ranking committee, as the metropolitan water pollution abatement advisory committee, city of Seattle representative.

**Sponsors:** Zahilay

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

**35. [Reports on Special and Outside Committees](#)**

*No reports were given.*

**Other Business**

*No other business was presented.*

**Adjournment**

*The meeting was adjourned in honor of Former King County Councilmember Lois North at 5:54 p.m.*

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

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Clerk's Signature