



King County

1200 King County
Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Meeting Minutes Committee of the Whole

Councilmembers:

*Jeanne Kohl-Welles, Chair;
Reagan Dunn, Vice Chair;
Claudia Balducci, Rod Dembowski, Joe McDermott, Sarah
Perry, Dave Upthegrove,
Pete von Reichbauer, Girmay Zahilay*

*Lead Staff: Andy Micklow (206-263-3226)
Committee Clerk: Angelica Calderon (206-477-0874)*

9:30 AM

Wednesday, June 1, 2022

Hybrid Meeting

1. **Call to Order**

Chair Kohl Welles called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m

2. **Roll Call**

Present: 9 - Balducci, Dembowski, Dunn, Kohl-Welles, Perry, McDermott, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer and Zahilay

3. **Approval of Minutes**

Councilmember Dunn moved approval of the May 18, 2022 meeting minutes. There being no objections, the minutes were approved.

4. **Public Comment**

The following people were present to offer public comment:

*Alex Tzimmerman
Becky Clausen
Colin Cole
Jay Lee
Kathy Sakahara
Lev Elson-Schwab
Shasti Conrad
Tania Hino
Zoltan Hajnal*

Briefing

5. [Briefing No. 2022-B0074](#)

Executive COVID Briefing

Dwight Dively, Director, King County Office of Performance, Strategy and Budget, briefed the Committee and answered questions from the members.

This matter was Presented

6. [Briefing No. 2022-B0072](#)

King County Immigrant and Refugee Commission Briefing

Lalita Uppala, IRC Current Member/Former Chair, and Huma Zarif, IRC Current Member/Former Co-Chair briefed the Committee via Powerpoint presentation and answered questions from the members. Mina Hashemi, Director of Council Relations, Executive Office, also comment and answer questions from members.

This matter was Presented

Discussion/Possible Action

7. [Proposed Motion No. 2022-0130](#)

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

Melissa Bailey, Council staff, briefed the Committee on the legislation and answered questions from the members. Gul Siddiqi, appointee to the King County immigrant and refugee commission was present to offer comments and answer questions from the members.

A motion was made by Councilmember Dunn that this Motion be Recommended Do Pass Consent. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Balducci, Dembowski, Dunn, Kohl-Welles, Perry, McDermott, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer and Zahilay

8. [Proposed Motion No. 2022-0132](#)

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

Melissa Bailey, Council staff, briefed the Committee on the legislation and answered questions from the members. Teclehaimanot Hiabu, appointee to the King County immigrant and refugee commission was present to offer comments and answer questions from the members.

A motion was made by Councilmember Dunn that this Motion be Recommended Do Pass Consent. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Balducci, Dembowski, Dunn, Kohl-Welles, Perry, McDermott, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer and Zahilay

9. [Proposed Motion No. 2022-0133](#)

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

Melissa Bailey, Council staff, briefed the Committee on the legislation and answered questions from the members.

A motion was made by Councilmember Dunn that this Motion be Recommended Do Pass Consent. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Balducci, Dembowski, Dunn, Kohl-Welles, Perry, McDermott, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer and Zahilay

10. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2022-0180](#)

AN ORDINANCE proposing an amendment to the King County Charter to move elections for certain county offices from odd-numbered to even-numbered years; amending Sections 640, 647 and 650.20 of the King County Charter and repealing Sections 650.40.15, 650.40.25 and 660 of the King County Charter; and submitting the same to the voters of the county for their ratification or rejection at the November 8, 2022, general election.

Andy Micklow, Council staff, briefed the Committee on the legislation and answered questions from the members. Julie Wise, Director, Department of Elections and Kendall Hodson, Chief of Staff, Department of Elections, commented and answered questions from the members.

This matter was Deferred

Other Business

There was no further business to come before the committee.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature