



King County

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Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Meeting Minutes

Metropolitan King County Council

*Councilmembers: Dave Upthegrove, Chair;
Jeanne Kohl-Welles, Vice Chair of Policy Development and
Review;
Reagan Dunn, Vice Chair of Regional Coordination;
Claudia Balducci, Rod Dembowski, Joe McDermott, Sarah
Perry, Pete von Reichbauer, Girmay Zahilay*

1:00 PM

Tuesday, February 14, 2023

Hybrid Meeting

REVISED AGENDA - ADDED ITEM 24

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1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:01 p.m.

Due to technical difficulties, the Chair recessed the meeting at 1:10 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 1:12 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

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

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

Councilmember Dembowski led the flag salute and Pledge of Allegiance.

4. **Approval of Minutes of February 7, 2023**

Councilmember Kohl-Welles moved to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2023, meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.

5. **Additions to the Council Agenda**

Item 24 was added.

There will be one public hearing on Items 6-15

*The following person spoke:
Marguerite Richard*

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

Budget and Fiscal Management

6. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0052](#)

A MOTION appointing committees to write the voters' pamphlet statements for the April 25, 2023, special election regarding Ordinance 19572 providing for the submission to the qualified electors of King County at a special election to be held in King County on April 25, 2023, of a proposition authorizing a property tax levy in excess of the levy limitation contained in chapter 84.55 RCW, for a consecutive nine-year period, at a first year rate of not more than \$0.145 per one thousand dollars of assessed valuation for collection beginning in 2024, with the 2024 levy amount being the base for calculating increases in years two through nine (2025 - 2032) by the limit factor in chapter 84.55 RCW, as amended, for regional behavioral health services and capital facilities to establish and operate a regional network of behavioral health crisis care centers; to preserve, expand and maintain residential treatment facilities; to provide behavioral health workforce supports; to provide mobile crisis care and post-discharge stabilization; to pay, finance or refinance costs of those projects; and for administration, coordination, implementation and evaluation of levy activities.

Sponsors: Zahilay and Perry

The enacted number is 16293.

Councilmember McDermott moved to relieve the Budget and Fiscal Management Committee from further consideration. The motion carried.

Sherrie Hsu, Council Staff, briefed the Council and answered questions.

Councilmember Perry moved Amendment 1. The motion carried.

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

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

Employment and Administration

7. **Proposed Motion No. 2023-0054**

A MOTION appointing Kymber Waltmunson to serve as the interim ombuds, director of the King County office of public complaints/tax advisor.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

The enacted number is 16294.

Councilmember Kohl-Welles made a motion to relieve the Employment and Administration Committee of further consideration. The motion carried.

Stephanie Cirkovich, Chief of Staff, briefed the Council and answered questions.

Kymber Waltmunson, King County Auditor, made remarks and thanked the Council.

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

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

Reappointment Consent Agenda Items 8-15

8. **Proposed Motion No. 2023-0009**

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Tom Harman, who resides in council district three, to the King County emergency management advisory committee, as an alternate for the water and sewer districts representative.

Sponsors: Perry

The enacted number is 16295.

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

9. **Proposed Motion No. 2023-0055**

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of AC Petersen, who resides in council district six, to the King County cultural development authority (4Culture) board of directors, as an executive at-large representative.

Sponsors: Balducci

The enacted number is 16296.

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

10. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0058](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Sonja Tracy, who resides in council district five, to the King County transit advisory commission.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

The enacted number is 16297.

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

11. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0059](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Todd Banks, who resides in council district three, to the Museum of Flight Authority board of directors, filling a position nominated by the Museum of Flight Authority foundation board.

Sponsors: Perry

The enacted number is 16298.

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

12. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0060](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Tommy Gantz, who resides in council district five, to the Museum of Flight Authority board of directors, filling a position nominated by the Museum of Flight Authority foundation board.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

The enacted number is 16299.

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

13. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0065](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Grace Stiller, who resides in council district eight, to the King County noxious weed control board.

Sponsors: McDermott

The enacted number is 16300.

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

14. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0070](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Rebecca Chaney, who resides in council district three, to the King County noxious weed control board.

Sponsors: Perry

The enacted number is 16301.

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

15. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0073](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of John Browne, who resides in council district eight, to the King County noxious weed control board.

Sponsors: McDermott

The enacted number is 16302.

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

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

First Reading and Referral of Ordinances**16. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0050](#)**

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the manager of treasury operations of King County to cancel the attached list of uncollectible personal property taxes in the amount of \$1,403,179 for the years 2015 through 2022.

Sponsors: McDermott

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

First Reading and Referral of Motions

17. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0036](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of superior court's report in response to 2021-22 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19210, Section 31, Proviso P1, as amended by Ordinance 19307, Section 18.

Sponsors: McDermott

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

18. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0048](#)

A MOTION accepting the King County-Cities Climate Collaboration (K4C) 2023 Work Plan and Budget, prepared as the annual work plan and budget requested under Motion 14449.

Sponsors: Dembowski

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

19. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0057](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Steven Schindler, who resides in council district three, to the King County cultural development authority, as an executive at-large representative.

Sponsors: Perry

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

20. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0061](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Richard Jackson, who works in council district eight, to the King County Housing Authority board of commissioners.

Sponsors: McDermott

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

21. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0068](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Jeffrey Murdock, who resides in council district four, to the King County landmarks commission.

Sponsors: Kohl-Welles

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

22. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0069](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Huy Pham, who resides in council district eight, to the King County landmarks commission.

Sponsors: McDermott

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

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

No reports were given.

Other Business

Added Item 24

First Reading of and Action on Motions Without Referral to Committee

24. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0082](#)

A MOTION relating to the organization of the council; and amending Motion 11122, Section H, as amended, and OR 2-050.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

The enacted number is 16303.

Councilmember Dembowski made a motion to take action without referral to committee. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilmember Dunn that this Motion be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature