

King County

1200 King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Seattle, WA 98104

Meeting Minutes Budget and Fiscal Management Committee

Councilmembers: Rod Dembowski, Chair; Jorge L. Barón, Vice Chair; Claudia Balducci, Teresa Mosqueda, Sarah Perry, De'Sean Quinn, Girmay Zahilay

Lead Staff: April Sanders (206-263-3412) Committee Clerk: Gabbi Williams (206-477-7470)

9:30 AM

Wednesday, February 26, 2025

Hybrid Meeting

1. Call to Order

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

2. Roll Call

Present: 7 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Mosqueda, Perry, Quinn and Zahilay

3. Approval of Minutes

Councilmember Barón moved approval of the February 12, 2025 meeting minutes. There being no objections, the minutes were approved.

Briefing

4. Briefing No. 2025-B0026

Looking Ahead: Possible Impacts of General Fund Cuts

Leesa Manion, King County Prosecuting Attorney, Patti Cole-Tindall, King County Sheriff, and Leon Richardson, Director, Department of Local Services, addressed the committee and answered questions from the members. Kelly Rider, Director, Department of Community and Human Services, also addressed the committee via a PowerPoint presentation and answered questions from the members.

This matter was Presented

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Discussion and Possible Action

5. Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0055

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 \$3,136,926 for the years 2016 through 2024.

April Sanders, Council staff, briefed the committee.

Councilmember Barón moved Amendment 1. The Amendment was adopted.

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

Yes: 7 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Mosqueda, Perry, Quinn and Zahilay

Discussion Only

6. Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0070

AN ORDINANCE providing for the submission to the qualified electors of King County at a special election to be held in King County on August 5, 2025, of a proposition authorizing a property tax levy in excess of the levy limitation contained in chapter 84.55 RCW for a period of six consecutive years, at a total rate of not more than \$0.2443 per one thousand dollars of assessed valuation in the first year and limiting annual levy increases by the King County inflation plus population index published by the King County office of economic and financial analysis, or the chapter 84.55 RCW limitation, whichever is greater in years two through six for the purpose of maintaining and operating King County's open space system; improving parks, recreation, access and mobility in the King County open space system by acquiring lands and continuing to develop regional trails; improving parks and trails in and acquiring lands by metropolitan parks districts, towns and cities in King County; funding environmental education, maintenance and conservation programs at the Woodland Park Zoo; funding environmental education, maintenance and conservation programs at the Seattle Aquarium; funding development, maintenance, and programming for Seattle Waterfront park; and funding for capital improvements at publicly owned pools, for all King County residents.

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This matter was Deferred

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7. Proposed Motion No. 2025-0077

A MOTION related to a property tax levy for 2026 through 2031 for the purpose of: maintaining and operating King County's open space system; improving parks, recreation, access, and mobility in the King County open space system by acquiring lands and continuing to develop regional trails; improving parks and trails in and acquiring lands by metropolitan parks districts, towns, and cities in King County; funding environmental education, maintenance, and conservation programs at the Woodland Park Zoo; funding environmental education, maintenance and conservation programs at the Seattle Aquarium; funding development, maintenance, and programming for Seattle Waterfront park; and funding for capital improvements at publicly owned pools, for all King County residents.

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Other Business

There was no further business to come before the committee.

Adjournment

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