



**King County**  
**Meeting Proceedings**  
**Committee of the Whole**

1200 King County Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

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

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

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Room 1001

April 23, 2007

9:30 AM

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**Call to Order**

*The Metropolitan King County Council's Committee of the Whole meeting was called to order at 9:40 a.m. by Chair Patterson.*

**Roll Call**

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

Excused: Ms. Hague and Mr. Dunn

**1. Approval of Minutes of the April 2, 2007 and April 16, 2007 meetings**

*Councilmember Gossett moved to approve the meeting minutes from the April 2, 2007 and April 16, 2007 meetings as presented. The motion passed.*

**2. Additions to the Council's agenda of April 23, 2007**

*The following items were added to the Council agenda on April 23, 2007:  
Proposed Ordinance 2007-0275 to be referred to the Capital Budget Committee  
Proposed Ordinance 2007-0276 to be referred to the Capital Budget Committee*

**Discussion and Possible Action**

*Mike Alvine, Council Staff, briefed the committee on Items #3 and #4, proposed new labor policies, together. Kathy Oglesby, Labor Liaison, DES, and Ray Goforth, Labor Negotiator, Labor Coalition, answered questions from the members.*

*Councilmember Gossett moved to pass the two labor policies together. The motion passed 6 - 0, Councilmembers Hague, Dunn and von Reichbauer excused.*

3. Committee Action on labor policy relating to employee performance evaluations

4. Committee Action on labor policy relating to employee productivity initiatives

**5. Proposed Motion No. 2007-0129 Ms. Patterson and Mr. Phillips**

A MOTION approving the report and criteria for the location of regional voting centers and ballot drop locations submitted by the county executive in response to Motion 12299 and Ordinance 15652 outlining plans for the transition to conducting all elections by mail in King County.

*Nick Wagner, Council Staff, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members. Sherril Huff, Acting Director, Records, Elections and Licensing Services (REALS), Department of Executive Services (DES), and Bill Huennekens, Vote-by-Mail Transition Manager, REALS, DES, answered questions from the members.*

*The following person appeared before the committee to offer public comment:*

*Richard Berkowski, Seattle, WA*

*Elizabeth Walter, 36th District*

*Councilmember Gossett moved Proposed Motion 2007-0129 and Amendment A1. Councilmember Lambert moved to add to the amendment after "groups" on line 7, "maintaining geographical and qualified major parties diversity." Councilmember Lambert also moved to delete lines 3-5 of amendment A1. Amendment A1 passed 5-0, Councilmembers Hague, von Reichbauer, Dunn, and Constantine excused.*

*Gossett moved Amendment T1. Mr. Gossett moved to delete the language after "A MOTION" on line three through "creation of" on line 6 and insert "creating" on line six. The amendment passed 5-0, Councilmembers Hague, von Reichbauer, Dunn, and Constantine excused.*

**This matter was Amended.**

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

**Votes:** Yes: 5 - Ms. Patterson, Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Phillips and Mr. Gossett

No: 0

Excused: 4 - Ms. Hague, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Constantine and Mr. von Reichbauer

**Discussion****6. Proposed Motion No. 2007-0240 Mr. Gossett**

A MOTION approving the Information Technology Business Case and Recommended Solutions for the purchase of upgraded ballot tabulation equipment and software.

*Nick Wagner, Council Staff, briefed the committee. Sherril Huff, Acting Director, Records, Elections and Licensing Services (REALS), Department of Executive Services (DES); Bill Huennekens, Vote-by-Mail Transition Manager, REALS, DES; and Laird Hales, Technical Services Manager, REALS, (DES), briefed the committee on the Ballot Tabulation Business Case and answered questions from the members.*

**Other Business**

**Adjournment**

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

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Clerk's Signature