



King County

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Meeting Minutes Metropolitan King County Council

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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*

1:30 PM

Tuesday, September 2, 2025

Hybrid Meeting

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1. Call to Order

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

Councilmember Dembowski recessed the meeting at 1:59 p.m.

Chair Zahilay reconvened the meeting at 2:01 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 von Reichbauer led the flag salute and Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Minutes of August 26, 2025

Councilmember Perry moved to approve the minutes of the August 26, 2025, meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.

5. Additions to the Council Agenda

There were no additions.

6. Special Item

Recognition of the 2024-25 Ruth Woo Fellows: Monica Alfonzo, Zeinab Al-Mohanawy, Priscilla de Andrade, Marissa Maldonado, and Saeed Mahamood

Councilmember Dembowski made remarks and introduced the 2024-25 Ruth Woo Fellows: Monica Alfonzo, Marissa Maldonado, Priscilla de Andrade, Saeed Mahamood, and Zeinab Al-Mohanawy.

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 7 - 9

The following people spoke:
Alex Tsimmerman

Budget and Fiscal Management Committee

7. **[Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2025-0236.2](#)**

AN ORDINANCE relating to the sale of biomethane and related environmental attributes held by the county; authorizing the solid waste division to enter into an agreement for the sale of biomethane and environmental attributes produced at the Cedar Hills regional landfill to Puget Sound Energy.

Sponsors: Dembowski

The enacted number is 19967.

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

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

Consent Items

8. **[Proposed Motion No. 2025-0204](#)**

A MOTION accepting the King County 30-Year Forest Plan in accordance with Ordinance 19881, Section 377.

Sponsors: Quinn and Perry

The enacted number is 16870.

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

9. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0205](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of a Critical Areas Monitoring and Adaptive Management Program plan, in response to the 2025 Annual Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19861, Section 16, Proviso P1.

Sponsors: Perry

The enacted number is 16871.

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: 8 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Mosqueda, Perry, Quinn, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

No: 1 - Dunn

First Reading and Referral of Ordinances**10. [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 and Balducci

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Health, Housing, and Human Services Committee.

11. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0267](#)

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

Sponsors: Mosqueda

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Health, Housing, and Human Services Committee.

12. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0268](#)

AN ORDINANCE related to doctors office/outpatient clinic uses; and amending Ordinance 19881, Section 162, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.08.045 and Ordinance 16267, Section 30, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.12.250.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

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

First Reading and Referral of Motions

13. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0217](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the third annual report on the second Best Starts for Kids initiative, in accordance with Ordinance 19354.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

This is a dual referral first to the Health, Housing, and Human Services Committee and then to the Regional Policy Committee.

This is a nonmandatory referral to the Regional Policy Committee under KCC 1.24.065.I as an issue that is not a countywide policy or plan but would benefit from interjurisdictional discussion.

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Health, Housing, and Human Services Committee.

14. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0237](#)

A MOTION approving the 2024 annual mental illness and drug dependency evaluation summary report, in compliance with K.C.C. 4A.500.309.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

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This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Health, Housing, and Human Services Committee.

15. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0252](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the summary letter and completion of the online annual report requirement for the Crisis Care Centers Levy, in accordance with Ordinance 19572, Section 7.C.9, and Attachment A to Ordinance 19783, Section VIII.A.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Health, Housing, and Human Services Committee.

16. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0263](#)

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

Sponsors: Zahilay

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

17. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0264](#)

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

Sponsors: Barón

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

18. Reports on Special and Outside Committees

No reports were given.

Other Business**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature