



King County

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Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Meeting Minutes

Metropolitan King County Council

*Councilmembers: Dave Upthegrove, Chair;
Girmay Zahilay, Vice Chair of Policy Development and Review;
Reagan Dunn, Vice Chair of Regional Coordination;
Claudia Balducci, Jorge Barón, Rod Dembowski,
Teresa Mosqueda, Sarah Perry, Pete von Reichbauer*

1:30 PM

Tuesday, April 23, 2024

Hybrid Meeting

Revised Agenda

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1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Present: 8 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Upthegrove and von Reichbauer

Excused: 1 - Zahilay

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

Councilmember von Riechbauer led the flag salute and Pledge of Allegiance.

4. **Approval of Minutes of April 16, 2024**

Councilmember von Reichbauer moved to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2024 meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.

5. **Additions to the Council Agenda**

There were no additions to the Agenda.

6. **Special Item**

Proclamation of May 11, 2024, as Seattle Opera Day in King County

Councilmember Balducci made remarks, present the Proclamation of May 11, 2024, as Seattle Opera Day in King County, introduced Louise Miller, Vice President, Board of Directors, Seattle Opera, and Christina Schepplemann, General Director, Seattle Opera. Louise Miller and Christina Schepplemann made remarks and thanked the Council.

7. **Public Comment**

*The following people spoke:
Alex Tsimerman
Joe Kunzler
Julien Loh*

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 6-11.

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8. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0110](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving and adopting the Memorandum of Agreement negotiated by and between King County and the Service Employees International Union Local 925, representing Involuntary Commitment Specialists employees working in the Crisis and Commitment Services section in the department of community and human services, and establishing the effective date of the agreement.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

Jeff Muhm, Chief Policy Officer, briefed the Council.

Michael Reading, Representative from Crisis and Commitment Services, made remarks and thanked the Council.

The enacted number is 19754.

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: 8 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Upthegrove, and von Reichbauer

Excused: 1 - Zahilay

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

Transportation, Economy and Environment

9. [Proposed Substitute Motion No. 2024-0092.2](#)

A MOTION related to the transfer of retired vanpool vans to nonprofit organizations and local governments to meet the needs of low-income, seniors or young people or people with disabilities.

Sponsors: Dembowski

The enacted number is 16570.

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

Yes: 8 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Upthegrove, and von Reichbauer

Excused: 1 - Zahilay

Reappointment Consent Agenda

10. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0122](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Brian Berry, who resides in council district one, to the King County veterans, seniors and human services levy advisory board's veterans committee, as the district one representative.

Sponsors: Dembowski

The enacted number is 16571.

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

11. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0123](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Heidi Shepherd, who resides in council district one, to the King County veterans, seniors and human services levy advisory board's vulnerable populations committee, as the district one representative.

Sponsors: Dembowski

The enacted number is 16572.

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

Yes: 8 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Upthegrove, and von Reichbauer

Excused: 1 - Zahilay

First Reading and Referral of Ordinances

12. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0096](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving the King County Water District No. 20 Comprehensive Water System Plan dated December 2023.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

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

13. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0117](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to a capital improvement project; making a supplemental appropriation of \$52,065,500 to the Harborview Medical Center capital program 2020 Proposition 1 fund; and amending the 2023-2024 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19546, Section 129, as amended, and Ordinance

19546, Attachment A, as amended.

Sponsors: Zahilay

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

14. **Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0127**

AN ORDINANCE approving and adopting the Memorandum of Agreement negotiated by and between King County and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 117, representing security screener employees in the King County sheriff's office, and establishing the effective date of the agreement.

Sponsors: Upthegrove

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Metropolitan King County Council.

15. **Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0128**

AN ORDINANCE relating to King County district court electoral district boundaries for 2024; and amending Ordinance 16803, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 1.12.050.

Sponsors: von Reichbauer

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Government Accountability and Oversight Committee.

First Reading and Referral of Motions

16. **Proposed Motion No. 2024-0103**

A MOTION accepting the Interagency Coordination Report, as required in Ordinance 19592, Section 10.

Sponsors: Perry

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

17. **Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0119**

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Yasmin Ali, who resides in council district three, to the King County women's advisory board, as the district three representative.

Sponsors: Perry

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

18. **Proposed Motion No. 2024-0121**

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Ramsey Mayhew, who resides in council district three, to the King County women's advisory board, as a council at-large representative.

Sponsors: Perry

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Health and Human

Services Committee.

19. [Proposed Motion No. 2024-0125](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Kristina Sawyckyj, who resides in council district one, to the King County behavioral health advisory board.

Sponsors: Dembowski

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

20. **Reports on Special and Outside Committees**

Other Business

Last week, Chair Upthegrove emailed Councilmembers a copy of a letter to the director of the state office of public defense of which he has been asked to sign on to as chair of the King County Council. The council chairs for Pierce and Snohomish Counties are listed signatories to the letter, as well as the executives for those counties and King County Executive Dow Constantine. The purpose of the letter is to provide ideas for the director's consideration in developing the 2025 OPD budget request to the state legislature. Unless there is objection, he plans on signing the letter in his capacity as chair. There were no objections.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature