



King County

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516 Third Avenue
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Meeting Minutes

Law and Justice Committee

*Councilmembers: Larry Gossett, Chair; Kathy Lambert,
Vice-Chair*

Reagan Dunn, Jeanne Kohl-Welles, Joe McDermott

*Staff: Scarlett Aldebot-Green, Lead Staff (206-477-0022)
Marka Steadman, Committee Assistant (206-477-0887)*

1:30 PM

Tuesday, August 29, 2017

Room 1001

Pursuant to K.C.C. 1.24.035 A. and F., this meeting is also noticed as a meeting of the Metropolitan King County Council, whose agenda is limited to the committee business. In this meeting only the rules and procedures applicable to committees apply and not those applicable to full council meetings.

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1. **Call to Order**

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The meeting was called to order by Chair Larry Gossett at 1:40 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

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Present: 5 - Mr. Dunn, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Lambert and Mr. McDermott

3. **Approval of Minutes**

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Councilmember Lambert moved approval of the August 22, 2017, meeting minutes. There being no objections, the minutes were approved.

4. **Public Comment**

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The following individuals provided public comment:

*Alex Tsimerman
Tiniell Cato
Marguerite Richard
Sonny Nguyen
Joseph Lachman
Alonso Smalls*

Discussion and Possible Action

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5. [Proposed Motion No. 2017-0290](#)

A MOTION accepting receipt from the King County sheriff's office report on implementation of an enhanced, culturally appropriate antibias, violence de-escalation, and crisis intervention training program.

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Greg Doss, Council staff, briefed the Committee. John Urquhart, King County Sheriff; Deborah Jacobs, Director, Office of Law Enforcement Oversight; Patti Cole-Tindall, Chief, King County Sheriff's Office Technical Services Bureau; addressed the Committee and answered questions from the members.

This matter was Deferred

6. [Proposed Motion No. 2017-0318](#)

A MOTION requiring the sheriff's office, in cooperation with the executive and the office of law enforcement oversight, to report on identified policy changes needed to improve use-of-force and interactions with certain populations; also its progress to ensure that departmental staff receive appropriate training and equipment for reducing the need for officer-involved use of force and to improve interactions with individuals who are in behavioral health crisis or from disadvantaged communities; and, requiring that the sheriff develop a report and implementation plans to implement identified recommendations and plans to update policies.

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Greg Doss, Council staff, briefed the Committee. John Urquhart, King County Sheriff; and Deborah Jacobs, Director, Office of Law Enforcement Oversight; answered questions from the members. Councilmember McDermott made the following oral amendments to the motion: page 5, line 94, insert "and Office of Law Enforcement Oversight" after "office, in cooperation with the executive "; and page 5, line 96, insert "delivered by December 1, 2017," after "1. A plan". The amendments were adopted.

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

Yes: 5 - Mr. Dunn, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Lambert and Mr. McDermott

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7. [Briefing No. 2017-B0168](#)

Wrongful Convictions - A National Disgrace

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Retired Judge Michael Heavey briefed the Committee and answered questions from the members.

This matter was Presented

8. [Briefing No. 2017-B0169](#)

KC Department of Public Defense Annual Director's Report

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Lorinda Youngcourt, Director, King County Department of Public Defense addressed the Committee.

This matter was Deferred

Other Business

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There was no further business to come before the Committee.

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The meeting was adjourned at 3:54 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature