



King County

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Meeting Minutes

Metropolitan King County Council

*Councilmembers: Sarah Perry, Chair;
Jorge Barón, Vice Chair of Policy Development and Review;
Reagan Dunn, Vice Chair of Regional Coordination;
Claudia Balducci, Rod Dembowski, Steffanie Fain,
Rhonda Lewis, Teresa Mosqueda, Pete von Reichbauer*

1:30 PM

Tuesday, January 13, 2026

Hybrid Meeting

**REVISED AGENDA - ADDED RECOGNITION UNDER ITEM 6
DRAFT MINUTES**

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1. Call to Order

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

2. Roll Call

Present: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Fain, Lewis, Mosqueda, Perry and von Reichbauer

3. Flag Salute and Pledge of Allegiance

Councilmember Balducci led the flag salute and Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Minutes of January 6, 2026

Councilmember Barón moved to approve the minutes of the January 6, 2026, meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.

5. Additions to the Council Agenda

There were no additions.

6. Special Item**Proclamation of January 19 as Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day in King County**

Councilmember Lewis made remarks and presented the proclamation to Eddie Lincoln, Chief Executive Officer, Rainier Scholars; and Kaila Davis Nsimbi, Seattle Executive Director, Rainier Scholars. Kaila Davis Nsimbi made remarks and thanked the Council.

Proclamation of January 13 as Korean American Day in King County

Councilmember Fain, Councilmember Barón, and Councilmember von Reichbauer made remarks and presented the proclamation to Eunji Seo, Consul General, Republic of Korea. Eunji Seo made remarks and thanked the Council.

Recognition of Dwight Dively for 15 years of distinguished service to King County as Director of the Office of Performance, Strategy and Budget, as well as his service to the people of King County

Councilmember Dembowski made remarks and presented the recognition to Dwight Dively. Dwight Dively made remarks and thanked the Council.

There will be one public hearing on Items 6-7

The following people spoke:

Alex Tsimerman

Spazzz Holmes

Rami Al-Kabra

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

Employment and Administration Committee

7. Proposed Motion No. 2025-0352

A MOTION reappointing Tamer Abouzeid as the director of the office of law enforcement oversight.

Sponsors: Perry

Tamer Abouzeid, Director, Office of Law Enforcement Oversight, made remarks and answered questions.

The Chair moved the meeting into Executive Session to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment, review the performance of a public employee, and discuss with legal counsel legal risks of a proposed action when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the county pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(g). at 2:50 p.m., for 20 minutes, until approximately 3:10 p.m. The Councilmembers left the dais and moved to the blue room to conduct the executive session.

The Chair extended Executive Session at 3:10 p.m for 20 minutes, until approximately 3:30 p.m.

The Chair extended Executive Session at 3:30 p.m. for 10 minutes, until approximately 3:40 p.m.

The Chair extended Executive Session at 3:40 p.m. for 10 minutes, until approximately 3:50 p.m.

The executive session ended and the Councilmembers moved from the blue room to dais. The Chair reconvened the meeting at 3:50 p.m.

Councilmember Barón withdrew the motion to consider proposed motion 2025-0352.

Chair Perry re-referred proposed motion 2025-0352 to the Employment and Administration Committee for further consideration.

A Public Hearing was held and closed. This matter was Re-referred to the Employment and Administration Committee

First Reading and Referral of Motions

8. Proposed Motion No. 2025-0324

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the summary letter and completion of the online annual report requirement for the Veterans, Seniors, and Human Services Levy, in accordance with Ordinance 19604, Section 6.B., and Attachment A to Ordinance 19719, Section IV.H.

Sponsors: Dembowski

This is a dual referral first to the Budget and Fiscal Management Committee and then to the Regional Policy Committee.

This is a nonmandatory referral to the Regional Policy Committee under K.C.C. 1.24.065.l as an issue that would benefit from interjurisdictional discussion.

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

9. Proposed Motion No. 2025-0358

A MOTION acknowledging the receipt of the Vanpool Program Update report in compliance with the 2025 Annual Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19861, Section 115, Proviso P4.

Sponsors: Fain

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Transportation, Economy, and Environment Committee.

Reintroductions of Ordinances

10. Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0270

AN ORDINANCE adopting the 2025 King County real property asset management plan in response to K.C.C. 4.56.350; and amending Ordinance 10810, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.56.350.

Sponsors: Dembowski

This matter was Reintroduced

11. Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0359

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the execution of a new lease at an existing location to support the operation of public health - Seattle & King County.

Sponsors: Dembowski

This matter was Reintroduced

12. Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0361

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the execution of an amended and restated lease to support the operation of public health - Seattle & King County.

Sponsors: Dembowski

This matter was Reintroduced

13. Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0367

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the King County executive to execute an interlocal agreement with the city of North Bend to provide contract municipal police services by the King County sheriff's office.

Sponsors: Barón

This matter was Reintroduced

Reintroductions of Motions

14. Proposed Motion No. 2025-0282

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Kyle Wong, who resides in council district one, to the King County waterworks grant ranking committee, as the metropolitan water pollution abatement advisory committee, participant sewer district representative.

Sponsors: Dembowski

This matter was Reintroduced

15. Proposed Motion No. 2025-0319

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Tyler Morgan, who resides in council district one, to the King County solid waste advisory committee, as an agriculture representative.

Sponsors: Dembowski

This matter was Reintroduced

16. Reports on Special and Outside Committees

No reports were given.

Other Business

No other business was presented.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned in honor of Kevin Hughes at 3:52 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature