



King County

1200 King County
Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Meeting Minutes Community, Health and Housing Services Committee

*Councilmembers: Kathy Lambert, Chair;
Jeanne Kohl-Welles, Vice Chair;
Reagan Dunn, Joe McDermott, Dave Upthegrove, Girmay
Zahilay*

*Lead Staff: Sam Porter (206-263-9206)
Committee Clerk: Sharon Daly (206-477-0870)*

1:00 PM

Tuesday, August 31, 2021

Virtual Meeting

1. **Call to Order**

Chair Lambert called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Present: 6 - Mr. Dunn, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Lambert, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Upthegrove and Mr. Zahilay

3. **Approval of Minutes**

Councilmember Kohl-Welles moved approval of the July 14, 2021 meeting minutes. There being no objections, the minutes were approved.

Discussion and Possible Action

4. **[Proposed Motion No. 2021-0174](#)**

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of the Honorable Brenda Fincher, councilmember, city of Kent, who resides in council district five, to the King County mental illness and drug dependency advisory committee, filling a position nominated by the Sound Cities Association.

Sam Porter, Council staff, briefed the committee. Robin Pfohman, MIDD Coordinator, Behavioral Health and Recovery Division (BHRD), Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS), provided comments and introduced Honorable Brenda Fincher, Councilmember, City of Kent, appointee to the Mental Illness and Drug Dependency (MIDD) Advisory Committee. Ms. Fincher provided comments about her background and interest in serving on the committee and answered questions from the members.

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

Yes: 6 - Mr. Dunn, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Lambert, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Upthegrove and Mr. Zahilay

5. **[Proposed Motion No. 2021-0216](#)**

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Jasmeet Singh, who resides in council district two, to the King County behavioral health advisory board.

Sam Porter, Council staff, briefed the committee. Kelli Nomura, Director, BHRD, DCHS, provided comments and introduced Jasmeet Singh, appointee to the King County Behavioral Health Board. Ms. Singh provided comments about her background and interest in serving on the committee.

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

Yes: 6 - Mr. Dunn, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Lambert, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Upthegrove and Mr. Zahilay

6. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0217](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Corey Williams, who works in council district eight, to the King County behavioral health advisory board.

Sam Porter, Council staff, briefed the committee. Kelli Nomura, Director, BHRD, DCHS, provided comments and introduced Corey Williams, appointee to the King County Behavioral Health Board. Mr. Williams provided comments about his background and interest in serving on the committee.

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

Yes: 6 - Mr. Dunn, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Lambert, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Upthegrove and Mr. Zahilay

7. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0228](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Regina Elmi, who resides in council district five, to the King County Housing Authority board of commissioners.

April Sanders, Council staff, briefed the committee. Dan Watson, Deputy Executive Director/Chief Development Officer, King County Housing Authority, provided comments, answered questions, and introduced Regina Elmi, appointee to the King County Housing Authority Board of Commissioners. Ms. Elmi provided comments about her background and interest in serving on the committee.

An oral amendment and title amendment were adopted to change the council district in which the appointee resides to District 5 from District 9.

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

Yes: 6 - Mr. Dunn, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Lambert, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Upthegrove and Mr. Zahilay

Briefing

8. [Briefing No. 2021-B0085](#)

Blake: DCHS and Superior Court

Kelli Nomura, Director, Behavioral Health and Recovery Division (BHRD), Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS), Michael Reading, Chief of Crisis Systems and Services, BHRD, DCHS, briefed the committee via a power point presentation and answered questions from the members. Patrick Oishi, Assistant Presiding Judge, King County Superior Court, and Dean Lum, Judge, Drug Court, King County Superior Court, also briefed the committee and answered questions from the members.

This matter was Presented

9. [Briefing No. 2021-B0116](#)

Superior Court Update on Courthouse Safety

Patrick Oishi, Assistant Presiding Judge, King County Superior Court briefed the committee and answered questions from the members.

This matter was Presented

10. [Public Comment](#)

There were no individuals present to provide public comment.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature