

King County

1200 King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Seattle, WA 98104

Meeting Minutes Metropolitan King County Council

Councilmembers: Girmay Zahilay, Chair; 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, August 19, 2025

Hybrid Meeting

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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 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 Quinn led the flag salute and Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Minutes of July 22, 2025

Councilmember Perry moved to approve the minutes of the of July 22, 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 80th anniversary of the US bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki

Councilmember Mosqueda made remarks, read the recognition, and introduced Gretchen Hund, Board Chair, Ploughshares Fund; Jim Thomas, Pax Christi and Washington Physicians for Social Responsibility; and Stan Shikuma, From Hiroshima to Hope, Japanese American Citizens League, Tsuru for Solidarity. Gretchen Hund, Jim Thomas, and Stan Shikuma, made remarks and thanked the Council.

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 6-30

The following people spoke:

Alex Tsimerman

Billy Hetherington

Saghar Amini

Denise Stiffarm

Dri Ralph

Josh Friedmann

James Hoff

Joe Kunzler

Patience Malaba

Joe Mizrahi

Ryan Stokes

Jeff Grose

Monty Anderson

Shaunie Wheeler

Consent Items 7-10

7. Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2025-0124.2

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the execution of a new lease to support the operation of the department of public health.

Sponsors: Dembowski

The enacted number is 19960.

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

8. Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0163

AN ORDINANCE that adopts the Harborview Medical Center 2026 Capital Improvement Program Annual Budget for the year ending June 30, 2026, and makes appropriations for the capital improvements for the Harborview Medical Center.

Sponsors: Dembowski

The enacted number is 19961.

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

9. Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2025-0165.2

AN ORDINANCE relating to a capital improvement project; making a supplemental appropriation of \$51,819,000 to the county hospital capital fund; and amending the 2025 Annual Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19861, Section 130, as amended, and Attachment A, as amended.

Sponsors: Dembowski

The enacted number is 19962.

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

10. Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2025-0216.2

AN ORDINANCE related to civil immigration enforcement; amending Ordinance 18665, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.15.005, and adding a new section to K.C.C. chapter 2.15.

Sponsors: Barón

The enacted number is 19963.

Councilmember Barón made a motion remove Item 10 from the Consent Agenda. The motion carried.

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

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

No: 1 - Dunn

Local Services and Land Use

11. Proposed Ordinance No. 2022-0297

AN ORDINANCE determining the King County Fire Protection District No. 24 is inactive under state law and it is in the public interest to dissolve King County Fire Protection District No. 24.

<u>Sponsors:</u> Upthegrove

Councilmember Perry made a motion to suspend the rules to hold an advertised public hearing - legislation remains in committee.

Wendy Soohoo, Council Staff, briefed the Council and answered questions.

A Public Hearing was held and closed. This matter was Deferred

12. Proposed Ordinance No. 2022-0301

AN ORDINANCE determining the Shoreline Park and Recreation District is inactive under state law and it is in the public interest to dissolve the Shoreline Park and Recreation District.

Sponsors: Dembowski

The enacted number is 19964.

Councilmember Perry made a motion to relieve the committee of further consideration pursuant to K.C.C. 1.24.125. The motion carried.

Councilmember Dembowski made an oral amendment, on Page 2, Line 24, after "was held on", strike "BLANK COMMA 2022" and insert, "August 19, 2025". The motion carried.

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

Yes: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Quinn, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

13. Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2025-0127.2

AN ORDINANCE relating to school impact fees; amending Ordinance 13147, Section 22, as amended, and K.C.C. 20.18.060, Ordinance 11621, Section 89, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.28.152, Ordinance 11621, Section 91, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.28.156, Ordinance 11621, Section 112, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.43.030, and Ordinance 11621, Section 114, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.43.050, adding a new section to K.C.C. chapter 21A.43, and repealing Ordinance 10870, Section 292, and K.C.C. 21A.06.1260, and Ordinance 11621, Attachment A.

Sponsors: Dembowski

Councilmember Mosqueda made a motion to defer Item 13 to the August 26, 2025, Council agenda. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.

Erin Auzins, Council Staff, briefed the Council and answered questions.

A Public Hearing was held and closed. This matter was Deferred

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

Consent Items 14-27

14. **Proposed Motion No. 2025-0080**

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of David Grossman, who resides in council district two, to the Harborview Medical Center board of trustees, as a council at-large representative.

Sponsors: Zahilay and Balducci

The enacted number is 16851.

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

15. **Proposed Motion No. 2025-0170**

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Jonathan Deex, who resides in council district nine, to the King County community advisory committee on law enforcement oversight, as a representative from King County sheriff contract cities.

Sponsors: Barón

The enacted number is 16852.

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

16. Proposed Motion No. 2025-0188

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Betelhem Michael, who resides in council district one, to the King County human and civil rights commission.

Sponsors: Dembowski

The enacted number is 16853.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{A}}$ Public Hearing was held and closed. This matter passed on the Consent Agenda.

17. <u>Proposed Motion No. 2025-0189</u>

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Emily Huynh, who resides in council district two, to the King County human and civil rights commission, representing a member who has familiarity with King County government, systems, or agencies.

Sponsors: Zahilay

The enacted number is 16854.

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

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Allison Hastings, who resides in council district three, to the King County human and civil rights commission.

Sponsors: Perry

The enacted number is 16855.

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

19. **Proposed Motion No. 2025-0191**

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Jacob Joens-Poulton, who resides in council district four, to the King County human and civil rights commission.

Sponsors: Barón

The enacted number is 16856.

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

20. <u>Proposed Motion No. 2025-0192</u>

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Aneeka Ferrell, who resides in council district five, to the King County human and civil rights commission, representing a member who has experience with investigations and enforcement of either human or civil rights or both.

Sponsors: Quinn

The enacted number is 16857.

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

21. <u>Proposed Motion No. 2025-0193</u>

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Jennifer Karls, who resides in council district six, to the King County human and civil rights commission, representing a member with professional or lived experience in the disability community.

Sponsors: Balducci

The enacted number is 16858.

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

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Mona Jaber, who resides in council district seven, to the King County human and civil rights commission.

Sponsors: von Reichbauer

The enacted number is 16859.

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

23. **Proposed Motion No. 2025-0195**

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Bishop Steven Sawyer, who resides in council district eight, to the King County human and civil rights commission.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

The enacted number is 16860.

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

24. **Proposed Motion No. 2025-0196**

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Daisy Wong, who resides in council district nine, to the King County human and civil rights commission.

Sponsors: Barón

The enacted number is 16861.

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

25. Proposed Motion No. 2025-0203

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Vanessa Sanchez-Mexicano, who resides in council district eight, to the King County human and civil rights commission.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

The enacted number is 16862.

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

26. <u>Proposed Motion No. 2025-0207</u>

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of a report on the status of safety improvements at adult detention facilities as required by the 2025 Annual Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19861, Section 54, Proviso P5.

Sponsors: Barón

The enacted number is 16863.

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

A MOTION approving the extension of the executive's appointment of Stephen Heard as acting director of the King County department of information technology.

Sponsors: Balducci

The enacted number is 16864.

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

Passed On The Consent Agenda

A motion was made that the Consent Agenda be passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Quinn, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

Employment and Administration Committee

28. Proposed Substitute Motion No. 2025-0213.3

A MOTION appointing a qualified person to the position of King County hearing examiner.

Sponsors: Zahilay

The enacted number is 16865.

Devon Shannon made remarks and thanked the Council.

Councilmember Dembowski made an oral amendment, on Line 13, in the blank space, insert "August 30, 2025". The motion carried.

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

Yes: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Quinn, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

Reappointment Consent Agenda Items 29-31

29. Proposed Motion No. 2025-0112

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Merob Kebede, who resides in council district nine, to the King County children and youth advisory board, as a youth representative.

Sponsors: Dunn

The enacted number is 16866.

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

30. Proposed Motion No. 2025-0244

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Cilia Jurdy, who resides in council district one, to the King County Communities of Opportunity-Best Starts for Kids levy advisory board, as a member of the Communities of Opportunity systems and policy change representatives group.

Sponsors: Dembowski

The enacted number is 16867.

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

31. Proposed Motion No. 2025-0245

A MOTION confirming the executive's reappointment of Jackie Vaughn, who resides in council district two, to the King County Communities of Opportunity-Best Starts for Kids levy advisory board, as a community member who reflects demographic characteristics of the communities that qualify for funding in accordance with Communities of Opportunity funding guidelines and who are grassroots organizers or activists in those communities or who live in or have worked in those communities.

Sponsors: Zahilay

The enacted number is 16868.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{A}}$ 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: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Quinn, von Reichbauer, and Zahilay

First Reading and Referral of Ordinances

32. Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0214

AN ORDINANCE relating to the sale of environmental attributes held by the county; authorizing the executive office of climate to enter into an agreement with an environmental services aggregator who would support the tracking and reporting of low-carbon fuels usage in county fleets and production of low-carbon fuels to generate credits in the Washington Clean Fuels Program and manage the sale of credits to producers and suppliers of regulated fuels.

Sponsors: Quinn

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

33. Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0221

AN ORDINANCE revising the corporate boundary of the city of Enumclaw to include the unincorporated portions of Southeast 440th Street right-of-way as provided for in RCW 35A.21.210.

Sponsors: Dunn

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

34. Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0222

AN ORDINANCE revising the corporate boundary of the city of Snoqualmie to include the unincorporated portion of 384th Avenue Southeast right-of-way as provided for in RCW 35A.21.210.

Sponsors: Perry

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

35. Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0224

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the vacation of a portion of 52nd Avenue South/Indiana Ave, V-2740; Petitioners: Gregory J. English and Rhonda J. English, and Courtney L. Gray.

<u>Sponsors:</u> Zahilay

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Hearing Examiner.

36. Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0225

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the vacation of a portion of NE 122nd Street and NE 123rd Street, V-2747; Petitioners: Ricky Callaway and Laura Callaway and Ian Dewar and Patricia Dewar.

Sponsors: Zahilay

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Hearing Examiner.

37. Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0226

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the vacation of a portion of 40th Ave S/Nevada Ave, V-2749; Petitioners: Todd and Janet Gillies

Sponsors: Zahilay

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Hearing Examiner.

38. Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0227

AN ORDINANCE approving and adopting a memorandum of agreement negotiated by and between King County and the Joint Labor Management Insurance Committee of Unions regarding insured benefits for represented benefits-eligible employees identified by King County deemed eligible to receive these benefits; and establishing the effective date of the agreement.

Sponsors: Zahilay

This matter was Introduced and Referred to the Metropolitan King County Council

39. Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0229

AN ORDINANCE approving the grant funding allocation for projects funded through the 2020-2025 parks, recreation, trails, and open space levy grant program in accordance with Ordinance 18890, Motion 15378, Ordinance 19166, and the 2025 Annual Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19861, Section 95.

Sponsors: Quinn

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

40. Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0236

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

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

41. Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0238

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the execution of a license agreement to support the operation of the department of public health.

Sponsors: Dembowski

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

42. Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0246

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the execution of a new lease at an existing location to support the operation of the King County department of information technology.

Sponsors: Dembowski

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

43. Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0249

AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance 19862, enacted December 2, 2024, which authorized the issuance of limited tax general obligation bonds of the county; and amending Ordinance 19862, Section 1, as amended, Section 2, as amended, Section 4, as amended, Section 13, as amended, Section 17, as amended, and Section 19, as amended, and repealing Ordinance 19954, Attachment B.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

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

44. Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0250

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Broadway Facility appropriation; making a supplemental appropriation of \$41,568,000 to the Broadway Facility fund; and adding a new section to the 2025 Annual Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19861.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

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

45. Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0251

AN ORDINANCE establishing the Broadway Facility fund; and adding a new section to K.C.C. chapter 4A.200.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

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

First Reading and Referral of Motions

46. Proposed Motion No. 2025-0215

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

Sponsors: Dembowski

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

47. <u>Proposed Motion No. 2025-0220</u>

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of a plan for use of the west wing of the King County Correctional Facility as an area to provide alternatives to secure detention services as required by the 2025 Annual Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19861, Section 54, Proviso P2.

Sponsors: Barón

This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Law and Justice Committee.

48. Proposed Motion No. 2025-0223

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Sven Peterson, who resides in council district one, to the Harborview Medical Center board of trustees, as the district one representative.

Sponsors: Dembowski

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

49. Proposed Motion No. 2025-0230

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Eric Buley, who resides in council district two, to the King County children and youth advisory board.

Sponsors: Zahilay

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

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Ellie Wang, who resides in council district nine, to the King County children and youth advisory board, as a youth representative.

Sponsors: Dunn

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

51. <u>Proposed Motion No. 2025-0232</u>

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Briyanna Stewart, who resides in council district eight, to the King County children and youth advisory board.

Sponsors: Mosqueda

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

52. <u>Proposed Motion No. 2025-0234</u>

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

Sponsors: Balducci

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

53. Proposed Motion No. 2025-0242

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Eric Dodd, who resides in council district six, to the King County children and youth advisory board.

Sponsors: Balducci

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

54. Reports on Special and Outside Committees

No reports were given.

Other Business

55. Public Employment Relations Commission Notice

Rose Novasky, Senior Labor Relations Negotiator, Metro Transit Department, read the Public Employment Relations Commission Notices, attached to these minutes, into the record.

Adjournment

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