



King County

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Meeting Minutes Employment and Administration Committee

*Councilmembers: Claudia Balducci, Chair;
Joe McDermott, Vice-Chair;
Rod Dembowski, Reagan Dunn, Jeanne Kohl-Welles,
Kathy Lambert, Dave Upthegrove, Pete von Reichbauer, Girmay
Zahilay*

*Staff: Carolyn Busch, Chief of Staff (206-477-2194)
Melani Pedroza: Committee Clerk (206-477-1025)*

9:30 AM

Wednesday, May 26, 2021

Virtual Meeting

SPECIAL MEETING

PUBLIC NOTICE: To help prevent the spread of the COVID 19 virus, all Councilmembers and staff will be participating in this meeting remotely.

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**

The meeting was called to order at 9:31 a.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Present: 9 - Ms. Balducci, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Dunn, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Lambert, Mr. McDermott, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Upthegrove and Mr. Zahilay

Consent Agenda - Items 3 & 4

3. **[Proposed Motion No. 2021-0196](#)**

A MOTION confirming the reappointment of Julie Kang to the citizens' elections oversight committee as a representative of the Korean-speaking community.

Sponsors: Ms. Kohl-Welles

Chair Balducci removed item 3 from the Consent Agenda for the purpose of amendment.

Miranda Leskinen, Council Staff, briefed the Committee and answered questions.

Councilmember McDermott made an oral amendment on line 15 to strike "May 25" and insert 'May 26'. The motion carried.

Chair Balducci indicated that the item 3 would be expedited to the June 1, 2021, Council meeting.

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

Yes: 9 - Ms. Balducci, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Dunn, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Lambert, Mr. McDermott, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Upthegrove and Mr. Zahilay

4. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0198](#)

A MOTION confirming the reappointment of Quynh Pham to the citizens' elections oversight committee as a representative of the Vietnamese-speaking community.

Sponsors: Mr. Upthegrove

Chair Balducci removed the item from the Consent Agenda for the purpose of amendment.

Ms. Leskinen briefed the Committee and answered questions.

Councilmember McDermott made an oral amendment on line 15 to strike "May 25" and insert 'May 26'. The motion carried.

Chair Balducci indicated that the item 4 would be expedited to the June 1, 2021, Council meeting.

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

Yes: 9 - Ms. Balducci, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Dunn, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Lambert, Mr. McDermott, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Upthegrove and Mr. Zahilay

Discussion and Possible Action

5. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0195](#)

A MOTION reappointing Kymber Waltmunson to the position of King County auditor.

Sponsors: Ms. Balducci

Jeff Muhm, Chief Policy Officer, briefed the Council and answered questions.

Kymber Waltmunson, King County Auditor, made remarks and answered questions.

Chair Balducci indicated that the item 5 would be expedited to the June 1, 2021, Council meeting.

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

Yes: 9 - Ms. Balducci, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Dunn, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Lambert, Mr. McDermott, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Upthegrove and Mr. Zahilay

6. [Proposed Motion No. 2021-0197](#)

A MOTION confirming the appointment of Linda Grez to the citizens' elections oversight committee as a jurisdictional representative from a junior taxing district or a city with a population of under twenty thousand.

Sponsors: Ms. Lambert

Ms. Leskinen and Erin Arya, External Relations Manager, briefed the Committee and answered questions.

Linda Grez made remarks and thanked the Committee.

Councilmember Lambert made an oral amendment on lines 16, 18, and 22 to strike "May 25" and insert 'May 26'. The motion carried.

Chair Balducci indicated that the item 6 would be expedited to the June 1, 2021, Council meeting.

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

Yes: 8 - Ms. Balducci, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Dunn, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Lambert, Mr. McDermott, Mr. von Reichbauer and Mr. Zahilay

Excused: 1 - Mr. Upthegrove

7. **Discussion on Personnel Matter and Investigation related to Council's Policies and Procedures Against Harassment and Discrimination**

The Chair recessed the meeting into Executive Session under RCW 42.30.110 (1.g and 1.i) to review the performance of a public employee and to 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 at 10:14 a.m for approximately 17 minutes to 10:30 a.m. At 10:30 a.m. the Chair extended the Executive Session for 5 minutes to about 10:35 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 10:35 a.m.

Executive Session - The grounds for the session under RCW 42.30.110 (1.g and 1.i) are to review the performance of a public employee and to 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.

Briefings

8. Office of Law Enforcement Oversight Director recruitment update

Greg Nelson, Lead Recruiter, Ralph Anderson & Associates, briefed the Committee and answered questions.

The briefing was held.

9. King County Council Human Resources consultant Request For Proposal

Janine Weihe, Director of Operations, briefed the Committee and answered questions.

The briefing was held.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:41 a.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature