



# King County

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516 Third Avenue  
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## Meeting Minutes Committee of the Whole

*Councilmembers: Julia Patterson, Chair; Jane Hague, Vice  
Chair;*

*Rod Dembowski, Reagan Dunn, Larry Gossett, Kathy  
Lambert, Joe McDermott, Larry Phillips,  
Pete von Reichbauer*

*Staff: John Resha, Lead Staff (206-477-0889)  
Joanne Rasmussen, Committee Assistant (206-477-0887)*

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9:30 AM

Wednesday, June 5, 2013

Room 1001

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Pursuant to K.C.C. 1.24.035 A. and F., this Committee of the Whole Committee 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.

1. **Call to Order**

*The Metropolitan King County Council's Committee of the Whole meeting was called to order at 9:35 a.m. by Chair Julia Patterson.*

2. **Roll Call**

**Present:** 7 - Ms. Lambert, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Hague, Mr. Phillips, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. McDermott and Mr. Dembowski

**Excused:** 2 - Mr. Gossett and Mr. Dunn

3. **Approval of Minutes**

*Councilmember Hague moved to approve the minutes of the May 30, 2013 Special meeting. The motion passed.*

### **Briefing**

4. **[Briefing No. 2013-B0079](#)**

Who is King County? - Demographic Trends and Patterns

*Mike Reed, Council Staff, made remarks on the Council's Equity and Social Justice efforts and answered questions from the members.*

*Chandler Felt, Strategy and Performance Analyst and King County Demographer, briefed the committee on the county's demographic trends and patterns and answered questions from the members during a PowerPoint presentation.*

*The following two news articles were distributed to the members: 1) The Seattle*

*Times, May 19, 2013, "Poverty hits home in local suburbs like S. King County" 2)  
The New York Times, May 20, 2013, "Cul-de-Sac Poverty"*

**This matter was Presented**

## Discussion and Possible Action

*Items #5-#8 were briefed together. Amy Tsai, Council Staff, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members. Nick Wagner, Council Staff, Jim Brewer, Council Legal Counsel, and Dave Chapman, Director, Office of Public Defense, answered questions from the members.*

### 5. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2013-0108](#)

AN ORDINANCE approving the organization and operations of the department of public defense within the executive branch with a department of public defense advisory board to support the director of the department of public defense and the independence of the legal practice of public defense; amending Ordinance 11955, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.16.130, Ordinance 8257, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.60.020, Ordinance 10167, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.60.054, adding a new section to K.C.C. Title 4A, adding a new section to K.C.C. chapter 2.60 and repealing Ordinance 8257, Section 6, and K.C.C. 2.60.070.

**Sponsors:** Ms. Patterson

**This matter was Deferred**

### 6. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2013-0212](#)

AN ORDINANCE adding a new Section 350.20.60, entitled "Department of Public Defense," to the King County Charter, creating a department of public defense and an appointed office with the title of "county public defender"; adding a new Section 350.20.065 to the King County Charter, creating a public defense advisory committee; adding a new Section 899 to the King County Charter, designating the county public defender as the county's bargaining agent for all issues concerning employees of the department of public defense except for compensation and benefits; amending Section 350.20 of the King County Charter; amending Section 890 of the King County Charter; submitting the same to the voters of the county for their ratification or rejection at the November 2013 general election; and requiring the county public defender and the county executive to submit a joint proposal to the council for legislation to facilitate implementation of the collective bargaining provisions of the charter amendment if it is approved by the voters.

**Sponsors:** Ms. Patterson

**This matter was Deferred**

### 7. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2013-0237](#)

AN ORDINANCE creating a public defender district and public defense advisory board for King County, amending Ordinance 11955, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.16.130, Ordinance 8257, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.60.020, Ordinance 11955, Section 13, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.16.110 and Ordinance 10167, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.60.054, adding new sections to K.C.C. chapter 2.60, adding a new section to K.C.C. Title 4A and repealing Ordinance 14412, Section 3, as amended and K.C.C. 2.60.027, Ordinance 383, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.60.060 and Ordinance 8257, Section 6, and K.C.C. 2.60.070.

**Sponsors:** Mr. Dembowski and Ms. Patterson

**This matter was Deferred**

8. **Proposed Ordinance No. 2013-0242**

AN ORDINANCE implementing the charter amendment creating the department of public defense; establishing the duties and functions of the department of public defense and of the county public defender; establishing the qualifications for the county public defender; establishing cause for removal of the county public defender from office; establishing duties, membership, process and qualifications for appointment, rules and procedures of the public defender advisory board; defining eligibility for receiving legal defense services at no cost; and designating the county public defender as the bargaining agent of the county on all matters concerning employees of the department of public defense except for compensation and benefits, which shall be negotiated by the county executive; amending Ordinance 8257, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.60.020, Ordinance 14412, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.60.027, Ordinance 8257, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.60.030, Ordinance 383, Section 5, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.60.050, Ordinance 10167, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.60.054, Ordinance 383, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.60.060 and Ordinance 197, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.16.010, adding new sections to K.C.C. chapter 2.60 and repealing Ordinance 8257, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.60.030, Ordinance 383, Section 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.60.040 and Ordinance 8257, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.60.070.

**Sponsors:** Ms. Patterson and Ms. Lambert

**This matter was Deferred**

**Other Business**

*There was no further business to come before the committee.*

**Adjournment**

*The meeting was adjourned at 11:06 a.m.*

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

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Clerk's Signature