



# King County

1200 King County  
Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

## Meeting Minutes Regional Policy Committee

*Councilmembers: Pete von Reichbauer, Chair;  
Claudia Balducci, Girmay Zahilay  
Alternate: Jorge Barón*

*Sound Cities Association: Jay Arnold, Kirkland; Nancy  
Backus, Auburn;  
Angela Birney, Redmond, Vice Chair; Armondo Pavone,  
Renton  
Alternates: Dana Ralph, Kent; Debra Srebnik, Kenmore*

*City of Seattle: Cathy Moore, Tanya Woo  
Alternates: Tammy Morales, Sara Nelson*

*Lead Staff: Miranda Leskinen (206)263-5783  
Committee Clerk: Angelica Calderon (206-477-0874)*

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3:00 PM

Wednesday, March 13, 2024

Hybrid Meeting

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1. **Call to Order**

*Chair von Reichbauer called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.*

2. **Roll Call**

*Also in attendance was Councilmember Perry.*

**Present:** 10 - Arnold, Backus, Balducci, Moore, Pavone, von Reichbauer, Woo, Zahilay, Barón and Ralph

**Excused:** 1 - Birney

3. **Approval of Minutes**

*Mayor Backus moved approval of the February 14, 2024 meeting minutes. There being no objections, the minutes were approved.*

## **Discussion and Possible Action**

4. **[Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-0374](#)**

AN ORDINANCE relating to the veterans, seniors, and human services levy advisory board; and amending Ordinance 18792, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 2A.300.540.

**Sponsors:** Zahilay

*Miranda Leskinen, Council staff, briefed the Committee on the legislation and answered questions from the members. Councilmember Zahilay moved amendment 1. The amendment was adopted.*

*Due to the design of the legislative tracking software used to produce the proceedings, the vote on this item is misreported. The correct vote is:*

Votes: Yes: 12 - von Reichbauer, Balducci, Zahilay, Moore, Woo, Arnorld, Backus, Pavone, and Ralph voting as alternate for Birney who was excused.

No: 0

Excused: Birney

**A motion was made by Mayor Backus that this Ordinance be Recommended Do Pass Substitute. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 13 - Arnold, Backus, Balducci, Moore, Pavone, Woo, von Reichbauer, Zahilay, Barón and Ralph

**Excused:** 1 - Birney

5. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0276](#)

A MOTION approving the 2022 annual mental illness and drug dependency evaluation summary report, in compliance with K.C.C. 4A.500.309.

**Sponsors:** von Reichbauer

*Sam Porter, Council staff, briefed the Committee on the legislation and answered questions from the members. Susan McLaughlin, DCHS Behavioral Health and Recovery Division Director and Isabel Jones, DCHS Behavioral Health and Recovery Division Deputy Director, briefed the Committee via PowerPoint presentation and answered questions from the members.*

*Due to the design of the legislative tracking software used to produce the proceedings, the vote on this item is misreported. The correct vote is:*

Votes: Yes: 12 - von Reichbauer, Balducci, Zahilay, Moore, Woo, Arnorld, Backus, Pavone, and Ralph voting as alternate for Birney who was excused.

No: 0

Excused: Birney

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

**Yes:** 13 - Arnold, Backus, Balducci, Moore, Pavone, Woo, von Reichbauer, Zahilay, Barón and Ralph

**Excused:** 1 - Birney

## Discussion Only

6. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-0011](#)

AN ORDINANCE adopting the crisis care centers levy implementation plan, required by Ordinance 19572, Section 7.A., to govern the expenditure of crisis care centers levy proceeds from 2024 to 2032 to create a regional network of five crisis care centers, restore and expand residential treatment capacity, and increase the sustainability and representativeness of the behavioral health workforce in King County.

**Sponsors:** von Reichbauer, Zahilay and Mosqueda

*Sam Porter, Sherrie Hsu, and Melissa Bailey, Council staff, briefed the Committee on the legislation and answered questions from the members. Susan McLaughlin, DCHS Behavioral Health and Recovery Division Director, Kelly Rider, Chief of Staff, Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS); Matt Goldman, Medical*

*Director, Crisis Care Centers Initiative, DCHS, and Kate Baber, Director, Crisis Care Centers Implementation Plan, DCHS; and briefed the Committee on the legislation via PowerPoint presentation and answered questions from the members.*

**This matter was Deferred**

### **Other Business**

*There were no other business to come before the Committee.*

### **Adjournment**

*The Chair adjourned the meeting at 4:51 p.m.*

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

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Clerk's Signature