



King County
Metropolitan King County Council
Committee of the Whole

STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item No.: 7	Date: 2 Sep 2009
Ordinance No.: 2009-0531	Prepared by: Nick Wagner

SUMMARY

Proposed Ordinance 2009-0531 (Attachment 1, pp. 3-7 of these materials) would change the regular meeting times of the Committee of the Whole (COW) and the Employment and Administration Committee (EAC) during the Council’s consideration of the annual budget and for the remainder of the calendar year.

To make room for budget-related committee meetings, the regular COW meeting would move from 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday to 9:30 a.m. on Monday. This change would take effect following the September 16 COW meeting.

To make room for the COW meetings, the regular EAC meeting would move from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on the first and third Monday of each month. This change would take effect following the September 7 EAC meeting.

The proposed changes are redlined at lines 39 through 46 of Attachment 1 (*see* p. 5 of these materials).

INVITEES

None

ATTACHMENTS

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1 AN ORDINANCE changing the regular meeting times of
2 the council's committee of the whole and employment and
3 administration committee; and amending Ordinance 11683,
4 Section 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 1.24.035.

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6 STATEMENT OF FACTS:

7 To allow time for budget-related committee hearings during the council's
8 consideration and adoption of the annual budget, the regular meetings of
9 the committee of the whole and the employment and administration
10 committee need to be moved for part of the year.

11 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

12 SECTION 1. Ordinance 11683, Section 4, as amended, and K.C. C. 1.24.035 are
13 each hereby amended to read as follows:

14 A.1.a. The time of regular meetings of the council is 11:00 a.m. on Monday of each
15 week, or Tuesday if Monday is a state or county holiday or is a legislative branch furlough
16 day due to a county emergency budget crisis, unless otherwise ordered by the chair or a
17 majority of the council.

18 b. Each Wednesday from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. shall be reserved for special
19 committee meetings as needed. In order to allow each member sufficient time to review
20 legislation and to meet with constituents, staff and officials of other jurisdictions, no special
21 committee meeting may be called for any other time without the prior written consent of
22 the council chair. If a special meeting for more than one committee is called for the same
23 time and location, the meeting for which the agenda was first filed with the council clerk
24 shall have precedence for use of the meeting location.

25 2.a. All regular meetings of the King County council and the council's
26 committees, except for the employment and administration committee, shall be held in the
27 council chambers on the tenth floor of the King County Courthouse in Seattle, Washington.
28 All regular meetings of the employment and administration committee shall be held in the
29 southwest conference room on the twelfth floor of the King County Courthouse in Seattle,
30 Washington.

31 b. Whenever, due to an emergency, as defined in K.C.C. 12.52.010, it is
32 imprudent, inexpedient or impossible to conduct the affairs of the council at the regular or
33 usual place or places, the council may meet at any place within or without the territorial
34 limits of the county on the call of the chair or any two members of the council. After an
35 emergency relocation, the affairs of the council shall be lawfully conducted at the
36 emergency location for the duration of the emergency.

37 B. The times for regular committee meetings are as follows, unless the council is
38 meeting at that time because the preceding Monday was a state or county holiday:

- 39 1. Committee of the whole: Wednesday of each week at 9:30 a.m. January 1
40 through September 16; thereafter through December 31, Monday of each week at 9:30
41 a.m.;
- 42 2. Budget and fiscal management committee: the first and third Tuesdays of each
43 month at 1:30 p.m.;
- 44 3. Employment and administration committee: the first and third Mondays of
45 each month at 9:30 a.m. January 1 through September 7; thereafter through December 31
46 on the first and third Mondays of each month at 3:00 p.m.;
- 47 4. Government accountability and oversight committee: the first and third
48 Tuesdays of each month at 9:30 a. m.;
- 49 5. Law, justice, health and human services committee: the second and fourth,
50 and fifth if one occurs, Tuesdays of each month at 1:30 p.m.;
- 51 6. Physical environment committee: the second and fourth, and fifth if one
52 occurs, Tuesdays of each month at 9:30 a.m.;
- 53 7. Regional policy committee: the second Wednesday of each month at 3:00
54 p.m.;
- 55 8. Regional transit committee: the third Wednesday of each month at 3:00 p.m.;
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- 57 9. Regional water quality committee: the first Wednesday of each month at 3:00
58 p.m.
- 59 C. Council and committee meetings must be held in accordance with the Open
60 Public Meetings Act of 1971, chapter 42.30 RCW.

61 D. A meeting may be continued, in accordance with chapter 42.30 RCW, to
62 another date and does not conclude until adjourned in accordance with these rules.

63 E.1. An executive session may be held during a council or committee meeting if
64 one of the specific grounds under chapter 42.30 RCW for an executive session exists.

65 2. Before convening in executive session, the chair of the council or committee
66 shall publicly announce the purpose for excluding the public from the meeting place and
67 the time when the executive session will be concluded. The executive session may be
68 extended to a stated later time by announcement of the chair.

69 3. Only members of the council or committee, special invitees and those
70 employees or staff members the council or committee determines to be necessary are

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71 allowed to remain in the room. Persons attending an executive session shall maintain the
72 confidentiality of the proceedings.

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KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

ATTEST:

APPROVED this ____ day of _____, _____.

Attachments None