



# King County

1200 King County  
Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

## Meeting Minutes Regional Policy Committee

*Councilmembers: Pete von Reichbauer, Chair;  
Rod Dembowski, Girmay Zahilay  
Alternate: Sarah Perry*

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

*City of Seattle: Cathy Moore, Alexis Mercedes Rinck  
Alternates: Sara Nelson, Mark Solomon*

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

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3:00 PM

Wednesday, February 12, 2025

Hybrid Meeting

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### DRAFT MINUTES-REVISED AGENDA

**Hybrid Meetings:** Attend the King County Council committee meetings in person in Council Chambers (Room 1001), 516 3rd Avenue in Seattle, or through remote access. Details on how to attend and/or to provide comment remotely are listed below.

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**

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

2. **Roll Call**

**Present:** 9 - Arnold, Backus, Birney, Dembowski, Moore, Pavone, von Reichbauer, Zahilay and Srebnik

**Excused:** 1 - Mercedes Rinck

3. **Approval of Minutes**

*Mayor Backus moved approval of the January 8, 2025 meeting minutes. There being no objections, the minutes were approved.*

## **Discussion and Possible Action**

4. **[RPC Resolution No. RPC2025-01](#)**

A RESOLUTION concerning the regional policy committee work program for 2025.

*Miranda Leskinen, Council staff, briefed the Committee on the work plan and answered questions from the members.*

**A motion was made by Mayor Backus that this RPC Resolution be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 11 - Arnold, Backus, Birney, Dembowski, Moore, Pavone, von Reichbauer, Zahilay and Srebnik

**Excused:** 1 - Mercedes Rinck

## Briefing

5. [Briefing No. 2025-B0020](#)

Briefing on the Regional Horse Racing Industry

*Phil Ziegler and Ron Crockett, Emerald Downs, commented and answered questions from the members.*

*Amanda Benton and Doug Moore Washington Horse Racing Commission, briefed the Committee via PowerPoint presentation and answered questions from the members.*

*MaryAnn O'Connell, Washington HBPA commented and answered questions from the members.*

**This matter was Presented**

6. [Briefing No. 2025-B0021](#)

General Update from Solid Waste

*John Taylor, Director, Department of Natural Resources and Parks and Pat McLaughlin, Solid Waste Division Director, Department of Natural Resources and Parks, briefed the Committee via PowerPoint presentation and answered questions from the members.*

**This matter was Presented**

7. [Briefing No. 2025-B0023](#)

Crisis Care Centers Update

*Kelly Rider, Director, Department of Community and Human Services and Susan McLaughlin, Director, BHRD, DCHS, briefed the Committee via PowerPoint presentation and answered questions from the members.*

**This matter was Presented**

## Other Business

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

## Adjournment

*The meeting was adjourned at 4:42 p.m.*

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

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Clerk's Signature