



# KING COUNTY

## Signature Report

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### **Ordinance 18171**

**Proposed No. 2015-0408.2**

**Sponsors Upthegrove**

1           AN ORDINANCE renaming the department of community  
2           and human services mental health, chemical abuse and  
3           dependency services division; and amending Ordinance  
4           11955, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.16.130,  
5           amending Ordinance 15327, Section 5, as amended, and  
6           K.C.C 2.43.025 and Ordinance 16077, Section 4, as  
7           amended, and K.C.C. 2.130.010.

8           **STATEMENT OF FACTS:**

- 9           1. The department of community and human services mental health,  
10          chemical abuse and dependency services division will become the  
11          behavioral health organization for King County in accordance with  
12          Chapter 225, Laws of Washington 2014, which requires and authorizes the  
13          integrated purchasing of mental health and substance use treatment  
14          services through managed care and the full integration of physical and  
15          behavioral health care by 2020.
- 16           2. The new King County behavioral health organization will replace the  
17          current regional support network and county chemical dependency  
18          coordinator and will administer integrated services for individuals

19 receiving publicly funded mental health and/or substance use treatment  
20 services in the county.

21 3. Because behavioral health integration and the integration of physical  
22 and behavioral health is now a key mission of the department of  
23 community and human services, it is appropriate to rename the mental  
24 health, chemical abuse and dependency services division to become the  
25 behavioral health and recovery division to better reflect this mission.

26 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

27 SECTION 1. Ordinance 11955, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.16.130 are  
28 each hereby amended to read as follows:

29 A. The department of community and human services is responsible to manage  
30 and be fiscally accountable for the community services division, ((mental health,  
31 chemical abuse and dependency services)) the behavioral health and recovery division  
32 and the developmental disabilities division.

33 B. The duties of the community services division shall include the following:

34 1. Working in partnership with communities and other funders to develop,  
35 support and provide human services which emphasize prevention, early intervention, and  
36 community education, and which strengthen individuals, families and communities in  
37 King County;

38 2. Managing programs which increase family self-sufficiency, enhance youth  
39 resiliency, reduce community violence and strengthen communities. The division shall  
40 also manage programs which address housing and community development needs, and  
41 help implement improvements identified in subarea and neighborhood plans for low and

42 moderate income communities and population. Such programs are to include, but not be  
43 limited to, providing employment and training for youth and adults and providing  
44 assistance to indigent veterans and their families as authorized by chapters 41.02 and  
45 73.08 RCW. This division shall administer the county's federal housing and community  
46 development funds and other housing and community development programs;

47       3. Developing housing and community development policies and programs to  
48 implement the growth management policies throughout King County to provide  
49 affordable housing to low and moderate income residents; and

50       4. Duties regarding the women's advisory board specified in K.C.C. 2.30.040.

51       C. The duties of the ((mental health, chemical abuse and dependency services))  
52 behavioral health and recovery division shall, subject to available resources and to its  
53 exercise of discretionary prioritization, include the following:

54       1. Managing and operating ((a system of mental health services for acutely  
55 disturbed, seriously disturbed, and chronically mentally ill children and adults)) a  
56 comprehensive continuum of behavioral health services including prevention, mental  
57 health, substance use disorder and cooccurring disorder treatment services for children,  
58 youth and adults who meet eligibility criteria;

59       2. Managing and operating a twenty-four-hour crisis response system, including  
60 civil commitment as a last resort;

61       3. ((Providing treatment and rehabilitation service for alcoholism and for other  
62 drug addictions under federal and state laws and King County ordinances;

63           4.)) Selecting appropriate agencies for the provision of behavioral health  
64 services, developing, implementing and monitoring the provision and outcomes of  
65 contracted services;

66           ((5.)) 4. Being responsible for resource management of a comprehensive  
67 behavioral health system including provision of staff support to appropriate advisory  
68 boards, and serving as liaison to federal, state, and other governments and relevant  
69 organizations in carrying out planning and allocation processes;

70           ((6. Ensuring)) 5. Facilitating the continuing availability of appropriate  
71 treatment services for eligible individuals with a ((single)) diagnosis of mental illness ((or  
72 a)), substance use or ((dependency)) cooccurring disorder; and

73           ((7.)) 6. Developing and maintaining a continuum of appropriate treatment  
74 services for eligible individuals ((with dual diagnoses of both a mental illness and a  
75 substance use or dependency disorder)).

76           D. The duties of the developmental disabilities division shall include the  
77 following:

- 78           1. Managing and operating a system of services for persons with developmental  
79 disabilities in accordance with relevant state statutes and county policies and to provide  
80 staff support to the King County board for developmental disabilities; and
- 81           2. Negotiating, implementing and monitoring contracts with community  
82 agencies for the provision of developmental disabilities services.

83           SECTION 2. Ordinance 15327, Section 5, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.43.025 are  
84 each hereby amended to read as follows:

85           A. The ((mental health, chemical abuse and dependency services)) behavioral  
86       health and recovery division, or its successor, shall provide to the council an annual  
87       written progress report. The report shall describe progress in implementing the recovery  
88       model and resiliency model and shall include:

- 89           1. The status of strategies, goals, action steps, and timelines for implementing  
90       the identified system changes necessary to achieve a fully recovery and resiliency  
91       oriented service system;
- 92           2. Detailed information on programs and activities; and
- 93           3. Outcomes and other appropriate performance measures.

94           B. The report shall be filed in the form of a paper original and an electronic copy  
95       to the clerk of the council, who shall retain the original and provide an electronic copy of  
96       the report to all councilmembers, all members of the regional policy committee, the  
97       council chief of staff and the lead staff for the council's law, justice, health and human  
98       services committee, or its successor, and for the regional policy committee, or its  
99       successor.

100           SECTION 3. Ordinance 16077, Section 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.130.010 are  
101       each hereby amended to read as follows:

102           A. There is hereby established a King County mental illness and drug  
103       dependency oversight committee.

104           B.1. The oversight committee shall act as an advisory body to the county  
105       executive and council. The oversight committee is responsible for oversight of the  
106       mental illness and drug dependency tax-funded strategies, programs and goals outlined in  
107       K.C.C. chapter 4.33 and consistent with the mental illness and drug dependency action

108 plan. The oversight committee shall provide ongoing oversight of mental illness and  
109 drug dependency tax-funded programs until all revenues have been expended and the  
110 final evaluation of the mental illness and drug dependency programs and services has  
111 been submitted to the council.

112           2. The oversight committee shall:

113           a. review and provide written recommendations to the executive and the  
114 council on the implementation and effectiveness of the county's sales tax funded  
115 programs in meeting the goals established in K.C.C. chapter 4.33;

116           B. review and report to the executive and the council on the quarterly, annual  
117 and evaluation reports as required by K.C.C. chapter 4.33;

118           c. review and make comment on emerging and evolving priorities for the use  
119 of the mental illness and drug dependency sales tax revenue;

120           d. serve as a forum to promote coordination and collaboration between entities  
121 involved with sales tax programs;

122           e. educate the public, policymakers and stakeholders on sales tax funded  
123 programs; and

124           f. coordinate and share information with other related efforts and groups.

125           C. The oversight committee shall be composed of one representative from each  
126 of the following:

127           1. The council;

128           2. The executive;

129           3. The superior court;

130           4. The district court;

- 131        5. The prosecuting attorney's office;
- 132        6. The sheriff's office;
- 133        7. The department of public health;
- 134        8. The department of judicial administration;
- 135        9. The department of adult and juvenile detention;
- 136        10. The department of community and human services;
- 137        11. The King County mental health advisory board;
- 138        12. The King County alcoholism and substance abuse administrative board;
- 139        13. A provider of both mental health and chemical dependency services in King
- 140        County;
- 141        14. A provider of culturally specific mental health services in King County;
- 142        15. A provider of culturally specific chemical dependency services in King
- 143        County;
- 144        16. A provider of domestic violence prevention services in King County;
- 145        17. A provider of sexual assault victim services in King County;
- 146        18. An agency providing mental health and chemical dependency services to
- 147        youth;
- 148        19. Harborview Medical Center;
- 149        20. The Committee to End Homelessness in King County;
- 150        21. King County systems integration initiative, which is an ongoing work group
- 151        established by the executive for addressing juvenile justice matters;
- 152        22. The Community Health Council;

153           23. The Washington State Hospital Association, representing King County  
154       hospitals;  
155           24. The Suburban Cities Association;  
156           25. The city of Seattle;  
157           26. The city of Bellevue;  
158           27. Labor representing a bona fide labor organization;  
159           28. The office of the public defender;  
160           29. The national alliance on mental illness; and  
161           30. A representative from a public defender agency that the county contracts  
162       with to provide services.

163           D.1. Separately elected officials and King County agency directors or their  
164       designees are not required to be appointed or confirmed.

165           2. A member of the oversight committee who has been confirmed to serve on  
166       another county board or commission is not required to be confirmed to serve on the  
167       oversight committee.

168           3. All other members of the oversight committee are subject to appointment by  
169       the county executive and confirmation by the county council.

170           4. The executive shall appoint oversight committee members to staggered terms  
171       in accordance with K.C.C. 2.28.010.C.

172           E. The oversight committee shall adopt rules governing its operations at its first  
173       meeting.

174           1. The committee shall elect a chair or cochairs.

175           2. Subcommittees and workgroups may be formed at the discretion of the  
176       oversight committee.

177           3. At each meeting of the oversight committee, the oversight committee shall  
178       provide an open comment period.

179           F. The oversight committee shall coordinate with other county groups including,  
180       but not limited to, the Committee to End Homelessness in King County, the regional  
181       human services levy citizen oversight board, the veterans levy citizen oversight board and  
182       the adult and juvenile justice operational master plan advisory groups to ensure that  
183       information is shared and, when appropriate, efforts are linked and not duplicated.

184           G. The office of performance, strategy and budget and the ((mental health,  
185       chemical abuse and dependency services)) behavioral health and recovery division of the  
186       department of community and human services shall provide staffing of the oversight  
187       committee.

188           H. Members of the oversight committee who are not full-time county employees

- 189 may be reimbursed for parking expenses in the King County parking garage when  
190 attending meetings of the committee.  
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Ordinance 18171 was introduced on 10/19/2015 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 11/23/2015, by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mr. Phillips, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Lambert,  
Mr. McDermott, Mr. Dembowski and Mr. Upthegrove  
No: 0  
Excused: 2 - Ms. Hague and Mr. Dunn

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Larry Phillips, Chair

ATTEST:

Anne Noris

Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015.

A. Constantine

Dow Constantine, County Executive

**Attachments:** None

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