



King County
Metropolitan King County Council
Committee of the Whole

STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item No.: 5-8	Date:	15 July 2009
Motion No.: 2009-0420 to -0423	Prepared by:	Nick Wagner

SUMMARY

Proposed Motions 2009-0420 through 2009-0423 (Attachments 1 through 4, pp. 3-17 of these materials) would appoint committees to write the voters' pamphlet statements for and against proposed charter amendments that the Council either has voted to place on the November 2009 general election ballot or is scheduled to consider at its next meeting, on July 20.

As introduced, the motions have blanks for the names of the appointees, since the appointees have not yet been determined. It is expected that the motions will be voted out of committee without recommendation and that the names of the appointees will be inserted by amendment when the full Council takes up the motions.

BACKGROUND

The Council has placed on the November 2009 general election ballot three proposed charter amendments, and a fourth amendment has been reported out of committee with a Do Pass recommendation. The four proposed charter amendments are:

- Transitional provisions charter amendment (Ordinance 16484);
- Budget allotments charter amendment (Ordinance 16546);
- Commission procedures charter amendment (Ordinance 16547); and
- Open Space charter amendment (Proposed Ordinance 2009-0245; reported out of the Committee of the Whole on June 24 with a Do Pass recommendation; scheduled to be considered at the July 20 meeting of the full Council).

RCW 29A.32.280 (Attachment 5, p. 19 of these materials) provides that for each measure from a unit of local government that is included in a local voters' pamphlet, the legislative authority of that jurisdiction shall formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating voter approval of the measure and a committee to prepare arguments advocating voter rejection of the measure.

Proposed Motion 2009-0420 (Attachment 1, pp. 3-5 of these materials) would appoint pro-con committees for the Open Space Amendment (Proposed Ordinance 2009-0245) if the Council votes to place it on the ballot.

Proposed Motion 2009-0421 (Attachment 2, pp. 7-9 of these materials) would appoint committees for the commission procedures charter amendment (Ordinance 16547).

Proposed Motion 2009-0422 (Attachment 3, pp. 11-13) would appoint committees for the transitional provisions charter amendment (Ordinance 16484).

Proposed Motion 2009-0423 (Attachment 4, pp. 15-17 of these materials) would appoint committees for the budget allotments charter amendment (Ordinance 16546).

INVITEES

1. None.

ATTACHMENTS

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Motion

Proposed No. 2009-0420.1

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1 A MOTION appointing committees to write the voters'
2 pamphlet statements for and against the charter amendment
3 placed on the ballot by Ordinance _____ for the November
4 3, 2009, election.

5
6 WHEREAS, K.C.C. chapter 1.10 provides for the publication and distribution of
7 local voters' pamphlets in conformity with the provisions of chapter 29A.32 RCW for
8 annual general elections held in King County, and

9 WHEREAS, RCW 29A.32.280 provides that for each measure from a unit of
10 local government that is included in a local voters' pamphlet, the legislative authority of
11 that jurisdiction shall formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating
12 voter approval of the measure and a committee to prepare arguments advocating voter
13 rejection of the measure, and

14 WHEREAS, Ordinance _____, passed by the council on July __, 2009, provided
15 for submission to the voters at the November 3, 2009, general election of a charter
16 amendment that would add a new Section 897 to the King County Charter;

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

18 Pursuant to RCW 29A.32.280, the following individuals are appointed to serve on
19 the voters' pamphlet committees for the charter amendment proposed in Ordinance
20 _____, each committee to write a statement for or against the proposed amendment, for
21 the 2009 general election:

22 FOR

23 1. _____

24 2. _____

25 3. _____

26 AGAINST

27 1. _____

Motion

28 2. _____

29 3. _____

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KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

ATTEST:

Attachments None

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Motion

Proposed No. 2009-0421.1

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1 A MOTION appointing committees to write the voters'
2 pamphlet statements for and against the charter amendment
3 placed on the ballot by Ordinance 16547 for the November
4 3, 2009, election.

5
6 WHEREAS, K.C.C. chapter 1.10 provides for the publication and distribution of
7 local voters' pamphlets in conformity with the provisions of chapter 29A.32 RCW for
8 annual general elections held in King County, and

9 WHEREAS, RCW 29A.32.280 provides that for each measure from a unit of
10 local government that is included in a local voters' pamphlet, the legislative authority of
11 that jurisdiction shall formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating
12 voter approval of the measure and a committee to prepare arguments advocating voter
13 rejection of the measure, and

14 WHEREAS, Ordinance 16547, passed by the council on June 8, 2009, provided
15 for submission to the voters at the November 3, 2009, general election, of a proposed
16 amendment to Section 800 of the King County Charter;

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

18 Pursuant to RCW 29A.32.280, the following individuals are appointed to serve on
19 the voters' pamphlet committees for the charter amendment proposed in Ordinance
20 16547, each committee to write a statement for or against the proposed amendment, for
21 the 2009 general election:

22 FOR

23 1. _____

24 2. _____

25 3. _____

26 AGAINST

27 1. _____

Motion

28 2. _____

29 3. _____

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ATTEST:

Attachments None

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Motion

Proposed No. 2009-0422.1

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1 A MOTION appointing committees to write the voters'
2 pamphlet statements for and against the charter amendment
3 placed on the ballot by Ordinance 16484 for the November
4 3, 2009, election.

5
6 WHEREAS, K.C.C. chapter 1.10 provides for the publication and distribution of
7 local voters' pamphlets in conformity with the provisions of chapter 29A.32 RCW for
8 annual general elections held in King County, and

9 WHEREAS, RCW 29A.32.280 provides that for each measure from a unit of
10 local government that is included in a local voters' pamphlet, the legislative authority of
11 that jurisdiction shall formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating
12 voter approval of the measure and a committee to prepare arguments advocating voter
13 rejection of the measure, and

14 WHEREAS, Ordinance 16484, passed by the council on April 27, 2009, provided
15 for submission to the voters at the November 3, 2009, general election, of a proposed
16 amendment to Section 990 of the King County Charter and repeal of Section 350.20.30,
17 Section 900, Section 910, Section 920, Section 920.10, Section 920.10.10, Section

18 920.10.20, Section 920.10.30, Section 920.10.40, Section 920.20, Section 920.20.10,
19 Section 920.20.20, Section 920.20.30, Section 920.20.40, Section 920.20.50, Section
20 920.20.60, Section 920.20.70, Section 920.20.80, Section 920.30, Section 930, Section
21 940, Section 950, Section 960, Section 970, Section 970.10, Section 970.30, Section
22 970.40, Section 970.50 and Section 980 of the King County Charter;

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

24 Pursuant to RCW 29A.32.280, the following individuals are appointed to serve on
25 the voters' pamphlet committees for the charter amendment proposed in Ordinance
26 16484, each committee to write a statement for or against the proposed amendment, for
27 the 2009 general election:

28 FOR

29 1. _____

30 2. _____

31 3. _____

32 AGAINST

33 1. _____

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34 2. _____

35 3. _____

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KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

ATTEST:

Attachments None

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Proposed No. 2009-0423.1

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1 A MOTION appointing committees to write the voters'
2 pamphlet statements for and against the charter amendment
3 placed on the ballot by Ordinance 16546 for the November
4 3, 2009, election.

5
6 WHEREAS, K.C.C. chapter 1.10 provides for the publication and distribution of
7 local voters' pamphlets in conformity with the provisions of chapter 29A.32 RCW for
8 annual general elections held in King County, and

9 WHEREAS, RCW 29A.32.280 provides that for each measure from a unit of
10 local government that is included in a local voters' pamphlet, the legislative authority of
11 that jurisdiction shall formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating
12 voter approval of the measure and a committee to prepare arguments advocating voter
13 rejection of the measure, and

14 WHEREAS, Ordinance 16546, passed by the council on June 8, 2009, provided
15 for submission to the voters at the November 3, 2009, general election, of the proposed
16 repeal of Section 475 of the King County Charter;

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

18 Pursuant to RCW 29A.32.280, the following individuals are appointed to serve on
19 the voters' pamphlet committees for the charter amendment proposed in Ordinance
20 16546, each committee to write a statement for or against the proposed amendment, for
21 the 2009 general election:

22 FOR

23 1. _____

24 2. _____

25 3. _____

26 AGAINST

27 1. _____

Motion

28 2. _____

29 3. _____

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KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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RCW 29A.32.280

Arguments advocating approval or disapproval — Preparation by committees.

For each measure from a unit of local government that is included in a local voters' pamphlet, the legislative authority of that jurisdiction shall, not later than forty-five days before the publication of the pamphlet, formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating voters' approval of the measure and shall formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating voters' rejection of the measure. The authority shall appoint persons known to favor the measure to serve on the committee advocating approval and shall, whenever possible, appoint persons known to oppose the measure to serve on the committee advocating rejection. Each committee shall have not more than three members, however, a committee may seek the advice of any person or persons. If the legislative authority of a unit of local government fails to make such appointments by the prescribed deadline, the county auditor shall whenever possible make the appointments.

[2003 c 111 § 820. Prior: 1994 c 191 § 2; 1984 c 106 § 10. Formerly RCW 29.81A.080.]