



King County

1200 King County
Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Meeting Minutes Committee of the Whole

Councilmembers:

Joe McDermott, Chair;

Reagan Dunn, Vice Chair;

Claudia Balducci, Rod Dembowski, Jeanne Kohl-Welles, Kathy Lambert, Dave Upthegrove,

Pete von Reichbauer, Girmay Zahilay

Lead Staff: Jake Tracy (206-263-0875)

Committee Clerk: Marka Steadman (206-477-0887)

9:30 AM

Wednesday, July 7, 2021

Virtual Meeting

1. **Call to Order**

Chair McDermott called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Present: 9 - Ms. Balducci, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Dunn, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Lambert, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Upthegrove, Mr. von Reichbauer and Mr. Zahilay

3. **Approval of Minutes**

Councilmember Kohl-Welles moved approval of the June 23, 2021, special meeting minutes. There being no objections, the minutes were approved.

4. **Public Comment**

The following individuals provided public comment:

*Lynne Robinson
Brett Folkins
Brett Mullin
Carol Sullivan
Caroline Gilbert
Clare Moe
Cindy Black
Dean Dubofsky
Diane Gordon
Harry Maher
Heather Kelly
Kelsey Monaco
Logan Bowers
Margot Spindola
McKenna Parnes
Sydney Leardi
Taylor Cramer
Troy Davis*

*Yuan Tao
Zachary McCauley
Zoe Williams
Patience Malaba*

Briefing

5. [Briefing No. 2021-B0091](#)

Executive COVID-19 Briefing

Dwight Dively, Director, Office of Performance, Strategy and Budget, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members.

This matter was Presented

Discussion and Possible Action

6. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2021-0232](#)

AN ORDINANCE proposing to amend the King County Charter to utilize ranked-choice voting for the election of county officers, including the King County executive, the King County assessor, the King County director of elections, the King County councilmembers and the King County prosecuting attorney, effective January 1 following the council's adoption of an ordinance approving protocols for ranked-choice voting; amending Section 610 of the King County Charter; and submitting the same to the voters of the county for their ratification or rejection at a special election to be held in conjunction with the November 2, 2021, general election.

Miranda Leskinen, Council staff, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members. Julie Wise, Director, King County Elections, addressed the committee. Councilmember Zahilay moved amendment 1 and title amendment T1. The amendments were adopted.

This item was expedited to the July 13, 2021, Council agenda.

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

Yes: 6 - Ms. Balducci, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Upthegrove, Mr. von Reichbauer and Mr. Zahilay

No: 3 - Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Dunn and Ms. Lambert

7. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2021-0245](#)

AN ORDINANCE proposing to amend the King County Charter to establish Reverend Doctor Martin Luther King, Jr., County council as the designated name for the legislative branch of county government in King County where applicable in the king county charter; amending Sections 210, 220, 220.10, 230.50.10, 270.10, 270.20, 270.30, 270.40 and 680.10 of the King County Charter; and submitting the same to the voters of the county for their ratification or rejection at a special election to be held in conjunction with the November 2, 2021, general election.

This matter was Deferred

8. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2021-0237](#)

AN ORDINANCE relating to the sale of the surplus property located at 13620 SE Eastgate Way, Bellevue, Washington, in council district six.

Terra Rose, Council staff, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members.

This item was expedited to the July 13, 2021, Council agenda.

A motion was made by Councilmember Balducci that this Ordinance be Recommended Do Pass. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Ms. Balducci, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Dunn, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Lambert, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Upthegrove, Mr. von Reichbauer and Mr. Zahilay

Other Business

There was no further business to come before the committee.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:07 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature