



**KING COUNTY**

1200 King County Courthouse  
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**Signature Report**

**January 19, 2000**

**Motion 10836**

**Proposed No.** 2000-0053

**Sponsors** von Reichbauer and Miller

1 A MOTION establishing and defining functions of committees, appointing the chairs and  
2 vice-chairs of committees of the Metropolitan King County Council for 2000, and  
3 rescinding Motion 10604 and Motion 10086.

4 WHEREAS, the interests of the citizens of King County and the efficiency of the  
5 operations of the county council are best served by appointing the duties and  
6 responsibilities of the Council among several committees; and

7 WHEREAS, Motion 10651 provides that changes to committee structure,  
8 membership, and committee chairs and vice chairs be made only by formal legislative  
9 motion adopted by a majority of the council members at a council meeting, and

10 WHEREAS, the Council desires to make such changes for 2000;

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

12 A. Motion 10604 and Motion 10086 are hereby rescinded.

13 B. The chair hereby appoints and the Council confirms the following committee  
14 chairs and vice chairs, to the committees created in this motion.

15 **Committee of the Whole:**

16 Chair: Chair of the Council, Pete von Reichbauer

17 Vice Chair: Louise Miller

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19 **Budget and Fiscal Management Committee:**

20 Chair: Rob McKenna

21 Vice Chair: Jane Hague

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23 **Capital Budget Subcommittee:**

24 Chair: Greg Nickels

25 Vice Chair: Jane Hague

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27 **Budget Development and Analysis Subcommittee:**

28 Chair: Jane Hague

29 Vice Chair: Rob McKenna

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31 **Employment Committee:**

32 Chair: Vice Chair of the Council, Louise Miller

33 Vice Chair: Pete von Reichbauer

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35 **Growth Management and Unincorporated Areas Committee:**

36 Chair: Cynthia Sullivan

37 Vice Chair: Chris Vance

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39 **Law, Justice & Human Services Committee:**

40 Chair: Greg Nickels

41 Vice Chair: Kent Pullen

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43 **Legislative Steering Committee:**

44 Chair: Dwight Pelz

45 Vice Chair: Louise Miller

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47 **Management, Labor & Customer Services Committee:**

48 Chair: Kent Pullen

49 Vice Chair: Larry Gossett

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51 **Natural Resources, Parks, and Open Space Committee:**

52 Chair: Larry Phillips

53 Vice Chair: Louise Miller

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55 **Transportation Committee:**

56 Chair: Chris Vance

57 Vice Chair: Maggi Fimia

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59 **Utilities and Technology Committee:**

60 Chair: David Irons

61 Vice Chair: Jane Hague

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64 **Regional Policy Committee:**

65 Chair: Larry Gossett

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67 **Regional Transit Committee:**

68 Chair: Maggi Fimia

69 Vice Chair: Chris Vance

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71 **Regional Water Quality Committee:**

72 Chair: Louise Miller

73 Vice Chair: Larry Phillips

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75 C. The Council may go into committee-of-the-whole at anytime. The committee-  
76 of-the-whole shall consider issues of interest to the entire Council, including the annual  
77 work program, appointments to the state legislature and to the executive branch; the  
78 annual legislative program; agendas for Council meetings; cultural resources issues; and  
79 other program and policy matters.

80 D. In the absences of the chair and vice-chair of a committee, a committee  
81 member, designated by the committee chair, may serve as chair of the meeting.

82 E. In addition to any committee otherwise established by law, the committees and  
83 subcommittees of the Metropolitan King County Council and their respective functions  
84 are established as follows:

85 **1. Budget and Fiscal Management Committee** shall review and monitor the  
86 budget, including financial plans, revenues, expenditures, quarterly reports, and capital

87 improvement programs; monitor the financial status of county funds; consider and make  
88 recommendations to all supplemental appropriations; and consider and make  
89 recommendations on debt and investment proposals, levies, fees, and taxes. In respect to  
90 consideration of the county's annual budget, all members of the Council not assigned to  
91 the Budget and Fiscal Management Committee will be considered ex-officio voting  
92 members of the committee. The Capital Budget Subcommittee (CBS) and the Budget  
93 Development & Analysis Subcommittee (BDA) shall be standing panels for the annual  
94 budget review and adoption. The subcommittee chairs shall recommend to the budget  
95 chair an organization for the budget process which augments and incorporates the  
96 standing subcommittee's work.

97           Subcommittees established by this motion are generally intended to consider and  
98 develop recommendations on broad policy and programmatic issues of great fiscal  
99 significance to the county. In addition, subcommittees shall review and comment upon  
100 such legislation as may be referred to them by the chair of the budget committee.

101           **A. Capital Budget Subcommittee**

102           The Capital Budget Subcommittee of the Budget and Fiscal Management  
103 Committee shall review and make recommendations regarding: King County's  
104 general fund capital improvement programs and related financial plans; proposed  
105 bond or levy-funded capital improvements; and the King County space plan  
106 (including space needs analyses and operational master plans), modifications to  
107 the space plan, and consistency with the plan of proposed capital budgets and  
108 space usage by county departments, divisions and agencies. Recommendations of  
109 this subcommittee shall be forwarded to the full Budget and Fiscal Management

110 Committee for review and approval.

111 **B. Budget Development and Analysis Subcommittee**

112 The Budget Development and Analysis Subcommittee of the Budget and Fiscal  
113 Management Committee shall design and implement a year-round zero-based  
114 budgeting review of King County departments and divisions; shall research  
115 county overhead expenses and internal fund charges and establish standards for  
116 evaluating same; shall identify and recommend efficiencies and other cost  
117 effectiveness measures; and shall utilize data and other information from King  
118 County's financial systems to assist it in achieving these objectives.

119 Recommendations of this subcommittee shall be forwarded to the full Budget and  
120 Fiscal Management Committee for review and approval.

121 **2. Growth Management and Unincorporated Areas Committee** shall consider  
122 and make recommendations on policies relating to land use development,  
123 comprehensive planning, development regulations, regulatory reform, and  
124 recommendations to the Department of Development and Environmental Services  
125 (DDES). In respect to consideration of the annual update of the Comprehensive  
126 plan, all members of the Council not assigned to the Growth Management and  
127 Unincorporated Areas Committee will be considered ex-officio voting members  
128 of the committee. The chair of the committee may refer various portions of the  
129 Comprehensive Plan to panels of members. The chair of the committee may  
130 employ the various standing committees as panels. The panels shall transmit their  
131 recommendations to all councilmembers for their consideration as regular or ex-  
132 officio members of the Growth Management and Unincorporated Areas

133 Committee before the committee refers the annual update of the Comprehensive  
134 Plan to the full Council.

135 The committee shall consider and make recommendations relating to market rate  
136 housing and housing affordability; Growth Management Planning Council  
137 (GMPC), including GMPC task forces, timelines, products (e.g. benchmarking  
138 and land capacity), and Countywide Planning Policies (CPP's); shall consider and  
139 make recommendations on Potential Annexation Areas (PAA's) and interlocal  
140 agreements; Boundary Review Board and non-utility annexations; planned action  
141 EIS and related phased SEPA review; and, the Puget Sound Regional Council  
142 (PSRC).

143 The committee shall consider and make recommendations on King County  
144 motions and ordinances which have force and effect only in the unincorporated areas of  
145 the county; evaluate and make recommendations on the quality of service delivery in  
146 areas such as police, roads, and human services; and, consider and make  
147 recommendations relating to sub-area planning community councils and other  
148 unincorporated self-government strategies.

149 **3. Law, Justice, and Human Services Committee** shall consider and make  
150 recommendations on policies relating to: public safety; adult detention; constitutional and  
151 human rights; discrimination; civil and criminal liability; ethics; campaign practices;  
152 juvenile justice programs; youth services; the superior and district courts; judicial  
153 administration; prosecuting attorney; and public defense, and consider and make  
154 recommendations on matters relating to personal and environmental health; mental  
155 health; developmental disabilities; alcoholism and substance abuse; emergency medical

156 services; human services; women's programs and aging programs, and oversee  
157 implementation of the children and families initiative.

158 **4. Legislative Steering Committee** shall consider and make recommendations to  
159 the full Council on legislation before the federal, state, and local governments which  
160 affect King County. The committee shall meet regularly with all branches of King  
161 County government to review legislation and policies which affect them, and to co-  
162 ordinate the county response to issues from other levels of government.

163 **5. Management, Labor, and Customer Services Committee** shall consider and  
164 make recommendations on policies relating to: management organizational structure,  
165 customer service, and performance of county departments, including: Assessor;  
166 Personnel; Purchasing; Civil Rights and Compliance; Real Property Management;  
167 General Services; Records and Elections; Facilities Management; Risk Management;  
168 Safety and Worker's Compensation; Cooperative Extension Community Services;  
169 consider and make recommendations to the full Council on the annual audit program;  
170 labor relations; act as the labor policy committee; consider and make recommendations  
171 relating to municipal service contracts; and consider DDES efficiency and customer  
172 service.

173 **6. Natural Resources, Parks and Open Space Committee** shall consider and  
174 make recommendations on natural resources policies relating to: recreation programs;  
175 issues relating to the Endangered Species Act (ESA); parks; open space; agricultural  
176 lands; and resource lands.

177 **7. Transportation Committee** shall consider and make recommendations on  
178 policies relating to: transportation; planning; roads; engineering; and public



179 transportation.

180 **8. Utilities and Technology Committee** shall make recommendations relating  
181 to: cable communications; planning of long range technology and its economic  
182 development on the region; telecommunications including wireless; utility services and  
183 utility annexations, comprehensive plans and franchises.

184 **F. Interim regular meeting times and committee memberships.** Pending  
185 adoption of subsequent motions modifying regular meeting times or memberships of  
186 committees, each committee shall continue to hold its regular meetings on the date and  
187 time set for its predecessor committee. Each committee shall have the membership it or  
188 its predecessor committee(s) had, in addition to any newly appointed chairs and vice-  
189 chairs. The committees with changed names or more than one predecessors are as  
190 follows:

- 191 i. Utilities and Technology: Commerce, Trade and Economic Development;
- 192 ii. Growth Management and Unincorporated Areas: Growth Management  
193 (and also all members of Housing and Policy Planning);
- 194 iii. Natural Resources, Parks and Opens Space: Utilities and Natural  
195 Resources;

196 **G. Consideration of previously-introduced legislation.** Each committee shall  
197 consider legislation referred to it by the council chair. In addition, this motion  
198 assigns some or all of the subject area duties of certain committees to different  
199 committees, or renames committees. All legislation in the subject area assigned  
200 to a committee by this motion that was previously assigned to a different  
201 committee is hereby relieved from the committee it was previously referred to,

202 and re-referred to the new committee.

203 **H. Interim staff assignments.** Pending consideration by the Employment

204 Committee and action by the full Council on general staffing adjustments

205 necessary as a result of committee reorganization, the Council authorizes the staff

206 previously assigned to legislation to continue to staff it. The Policy Staff

207 Director, in consultation with the chair, the affected committee chairs, and the

208 Chief of Staff, is hereby authorized to temporarily assign any committee staff to

209 newly introduced or unassigned legislation. Such assignment shall give due

210 consideration to existing areas of expertise, workload, and priorities of committee


211 chairs.

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Motion 10836 was introduced on 1/18/00 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 1/18/00, by the following vote:

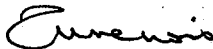
Yes: 12 - Ms. Miller, Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Fimia, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Pelz, Mr. McKenna,  
 Ms. Sullivan, Mr. Nickels, Mr. Pullen, Ms. Hague, Mr. Vance and Mr. Irons  
 No: 1 - Mr. Gossett  
 Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Chair

ATTEST:



Clerk of the Council

Attachments None