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Signature Report

Motion 16907

Proposed No. 2025-0369.2 **Sponsors** Perry 1 A MOTION relating to the organization of the council; and 2 amending Motion 11105 (part), as amended, and OR 1-040, 3 Motion 1122, Section F, as amended, and OR-2-020, and 4 Motion 11122, Section G, as amended, and OR 2-040, and 5 Motion 11122, Section H, as amended, and OR 2-050. 6 WHEREAS, in accordance with King County charter section 240, the council 7 organizes and administers the legislative branch by motion, and 8 WHEREAS, the charter provides that the council shall elect one of its members as 9 chair, and Motion 10651, Section II, as amended, and OR 1-010 provides that the council 10 shall elect a chair who shall serve at the pleasure of the council for a term of one year, 11 unless otherwise ordered by the council, and 12 WHEREAS, historically the council has specified in its organizational motion the 13 chairs, vice-chairs of the council and its committees, and members of council committees 14 and in accordance with K.C.C. 1.24.320 makes changes to these positions by passage of a 15 motion; 16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County: 17 I. Motion 11105 (part), as amended, and OR 1-040 are hereby amended to read as 18 follows: 19 **OR 1-040.** Chair and vice-chair elected. Until a successor is elected, the 20 council elects Councilmember ((Girmay Zahilay)) Sarah Perry as council chair,

21	Councilmember ((Sarah Perry)) Jorge L. Barón as council vice-chair of policy
22	development and review, and Councilmember Reagan Dunn as council vice-chair of
23	regional coordination.
24	II. Motion 11105 (part), as amended, and OR 2-020 are hereby amended to read
25	as follows:
26	OR 2-020. Standing committees - functions. In addition to any committee
27	otherwise established by law, the committees of the metropolitan King County council
28	and their respective functions are established as follows:
29	A. Budget and fiscal management committee.
30	1. The committee shall consider and make recommendations on: the county
31	revenue and expenditure fiscal structural gap; capital and operating budget
32	appropriations; the sale, lease, or transfer of real property to or by the county; debt and
33	investment proposals; bond issues; the office of economic and financial analysis; levies
34	unless referred to another committee; ((supplemental appropriations related to the
35	COVID-19 pandemic response)); and financial policies.
36	2. The committee shall develop recommendations on policy direction for the
37	county budget, based on the recommendations of other council committees and taking
38	into account the estimated fiscal impacts of state and federal legislation.
39	3. In respect to consideration of the county's proposed annual budget, all
40	members of the council not assigned to the budget and fiscal management committee
41	shall be considered ex officio voting members of the committee.
42	B. Committee of the whole. The committee shall consider: issues of interest to
43	the entire council, including appointments to the state legislature and department

directors and key subordinate units in the executive branch; the annual legislative
program; legislation before the federal, state, and local governments that affect King
County; the King County Strategic Plan; oversight of Harborview Medical Center; arts
and culture and associated levies, if any; the Puget Sound Taxpayer Accountability
Account; gun safety; the immigrant and refugee commission; issues related to the census;
the charter review commission; homelessness, including the King County Regional
Homelessness Authority; ((COVID-19 pandemic response, excluding supplemental
appropriations)); racial equity; gender equity; and other program and policy matters. The
committee of the whole shall conduct town hall meetings on issues of significance.
C. Government accountability and oversight committee.
1. The committee shall consider and make recommendations on:
a. improving the efficiency, cost effectiveness, and performance of all
branches of county government (legislative, executive, and judicial);
b. enhancing oversight, accountability and transparency in King County
government, the annual county audit program and federal, state, or county audit reports,
the administration of the Public Records Act, capital projects oversight, the Puget Sound
Emergency Radio Network, performance measurement and performance management,
management organizational structure, and technology management; and
c. general government oversight, including customer service, worker safety,
and the department of assessments; elections; records and licensing; animal control; cable
communications; the county fair; King County international airport; risk management;
veterans, and executive services such as telecommunications, facilities management,
purchasing, and real property management.

67	2. In the areas within the committee's purview, the committee shall track state
68	and federal legislative action and develop recommendations on policy direction for the
69	county budget.
70	D. Health, housing, and human services committee.
71	1. The committee shall consider and make recommendations on policies relating
72	to:
73	a. health services provided to the community by county agencies and branches;
74	b. public health programs, including those related to the protection, promotion,
75	and provision functions of the department of public health, including the structure of the
76	public health centers;
77	c. human services programs, including review of human services-related
78	levies, and human services programs relating to housing services and programs.
79	2. In the areas within the committee's purview, the committee shall track state
80	and federal legislative action and develop recommendations on policy direction for the
81	county budget.
82	E. Law and justice committee.
83	1. The committee shall consider and make recommendations on policies relating
84	to law, safety, and criminal justice programs, including those related to:
85	a. implementation of the charter amendments related to the duties of the
86	sheriff's office; public safety;
87	b. adult detention; juvenile justice and youth services;
88	c. superior and district courts; judicial administration; prosecuting attorney;
89	d. public defense; emergency medical services;

90	e. office of law enforcement oversight;
91	f. bail reform; pretrial services;
92	g. alternatives to incarceration;
93	h. combating human trafficking;
94	i. hate crime prevention; and
95	j. civil rights.
96	2. In the areas within the committee's purview, the committee shall track state
97	and federal legislative action and develop recommendations on policy direction for the
98	county budget.
99	F. Local services and land use committee.
100	1. The committee shall consider and make recommendations on policies relating
101	to:
102	a. water supply;
103	b. unincorporated and rural areas;
104	c. local government;
105	d. permitting and zoning including housing issues related to permitting and
106	zoning;
107	e. county roads and bridges;
108	f. levies to support county roads and bridges;
109	g. emergency management;
110	h. annexations;
111	i. local parks and trails;
112	j. salmon recovery and barriers to recovery such as culverts;

k. water and sewer district plans;
l. growth management including regional planning, countywide planning
policies, the Comprehensive Plan, and housing issues relating to growth management,
regional planning, countywide planning and policies and the Comprehensive Plan; and
m. resource lands, including agricultural, forestry, and mineral resources.
2. In the areas within the committee's purview, the committee shall track state
and federal legislative action and develop recommendations on policy direction for the
county budget.
G. Transportation, economy, and environment committee.
1. The committee shall consider and make recommendations on:
a. transportation, including passenger ferries, regional trails and public
transportation including spending plans for new revenue, if any, and fares and fare equity
policies;
b. the environment, including:
(1) energy;
(2) water quality, including wastewater;
(3) regional parks and open space, including conservations futures tax;
(4) climate, including levy proposals or bond proposals to finance projects or
programs to address, mitigate or respond to climate change and its impacts, and the King
County Strategic Climate Action Plan;
(5) solid waste; and
(6) surface water management; and
c. economic development, including equity and pay disparity.

136	2. In the areas within the committee's purview, the committee shall track state
137	and federal legislative action and develop recommendations on policy direction for the
138	county budget.
139	III. Motion 11122, Section G, as amended, and OR 2-040 are hereby amended to
140	read as follows:
141	OR 2-040. Chairs and vice-chairs. The council designates the following
142	councilmembers as chairs and vice-chairs of the standing committees created in this
143	motion and the regional committees established in the King County Charter.
144	Budget and fiscal management committee:
145	Chair: Rod Dembowski.
146	Vice-chair: Jorge L. Barón.
147	Committee of the whole:
148	Chair: ((Claudia Balducci)) Jorge L. Barón.
149	Vice-chair: ((Teresa Mosqueda)) Claudia Balducci.
150	Employment and administration committee:
151	Chair: ((Girmay Zahilay)) Sarah Perry.
152	Vice-chair: ((Sarah Perry)) Jorge L. Barón.
153	Government accountability and oversight committee:
154	Chair: Pete von Reichbauer.
155	Vice-chair: ((Reagan Dunn)) Steffanie Fain.
156	Health, housing, and human services committee:
157	Chair: Teresa Mosqueda.
158	Vice Chair: ((Reagan Dunn)) councilmember representing district two.

159	Law and justice committee:
160	Chair: Jorge L. Barón.
161	Vice Chair: Claudia Balducci.
162	Local services and land use committee:
163	Chair: ((Sarah Perry)) Reagan Dunn.
164	Vice-chair: ((De'Sean Quinn)) councilmember representing district two.
165	Transportation, economy, and environment committee:
166	Chair: ((De'Sean Quinn)) Steffanie Fain.
167	Vice-Chair: ((Rod Dembowski)) Pete von Reichbauer.
168	Regional policy committee:
169	Chair: Pete von Reichbauer.
170	Regional transit committee:
171	Chair: ((Jorge L. Barón)) <u>Steffanie Fain</u> .
172	Regional water quality committee:
173	Chair: Claudia Balducci.
174	IV. Motion 11122, Section H, as amended, and OR 2-050 are hereby amended to
175	read as follows:
176	OR 2-050. Memberships. The council designates the following
177	councilmembers, in addition to the chairs and vice-chairs, as members of the standing
178	committees created in this motion and the regional committees established in the King
179	County Charter.
180	Budget and fiscal management committee:

181	Members: ((Claudia Balducci)) Steffanie Fain, Teresa Mosqueda, Sarah
182	Perry, ((De'Sean Quinn, Girmay Zahilay)), councilmember representing district two.
183	Committee of the whole:
184	Members: All councilmembers.
185	Employment and administration committee:
186	Members: ((Jorge L. Barón)) Claudia Balducci, Rod Dembowski, Teresa
187	Mosqueda.
188	Government accountability and oversight committee:
189	Members: ((Teresa Mosqueda, Sarah Perry)) Claudia Balducci, Reagan
190	<u>Dunn</u> .
191	Health, housing, and human services committee:
192	Members: Jorge L. Barón, ((De'Sean Quinn)) Steffanie Fain.
193	Law and justice committee:
194	Members: Rod Dembowski, Teresa Mosqueda, councilmember
195	representing district two.
196	Local services and land use committee:
197	Members: ((Reagan Dunn,)) Teresa Mosqueda, Sarah Perry.
198	Transportation, economy, and environment committee:
199	Members: Claudia Balducci, ((Sarah Perry, Pete von Reichbauer))
200	Reagan Dunn.
201	Regional policy committee:
202	Members: ((Rod Dembowski, Girmay Zahilay)) Jorge L. Barón, Sarah
203	Perry.

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204	Alternate: ((Sarah Perry)).
205	Regional transit committee:
206	Members: ((De'Sean Quinn)) Sarah Perry, Pete von Reichbauer.
207	Alternate:
208	Regional water quality committee:
209	Members: Reagan Dunn, ((De'Sean Quinn)) councilmember representing

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210 district two.

211 Alternate:

Motion was introduced on and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 11/25/2025, by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Fain, Mosqueda, Perry and von Reichbauer

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Sarah Perry, Chair

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