



# King County

1200 King County  
Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

## Meeting Agenda Metropolitan King County Council

*Councilmembers: Sarah Perry, Chair;  
Jorge Barón, Vice Chair of Policy Development and Review;  
Reagan Dunn, Vice Chair of Regional Coordination;  
Claudia Balducci, Rod Dembowski, Steffanie Fain,  
Rhonda Lewis, Teresa Mosqueda, Pete von Reichbauer*

1:30 PM

Tuesday, January 20, 2026

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1. **Call to Order**

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2. **Roll Call**

3. **Flag Salute and Pledge of Allegiance**

*Councilmember von Reichbauer*

4. **Approval of Minutes of January 13, 2026**

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*Councilmember Barón*

5. **Additions to the Council Agenda**



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### Hearing and Second Reading of Ordinances from Standing Committees and Regional Committees, and of Ordinances related to Collective Bargaining

There will be one public hearing on Item 6

#### Consent Item 6

*Councilmember Barón*

- 6. [Proposed Substitute Ordinance No. 2025-0295.2](#) **Pg. 15**

AN ORDINANCE relating to the 2025 levy of property taxes in King County for collection in the year 2026.

**Sponsors:** Dembowski

***On 10/7/2025, the Metropolitan King County Council Introduced and Referred to Budget and Fiscal Management Committee.***

***On 1/14/2026, the Budget and Fiscal Management Committee Recommended Do Pass Substitute Consent.***

#### First Reading and Referral of Ordinances

- 7. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-0014](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the executive to enter into a housing cooperation agreement with the Housing Authority of the County of King to facilitate the development of low-income housing in accordance with chapter 35.83 RCW.

**Sponsors:** Lewis

***First Reading and Referral to the Local Services and Land Use Committee***

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## First Reading and Referral of Motions

8. [Proposed Motion No. 2026-0012](#)

A MOTION making an appointment to fill a judicial vacancy in the West division, West electoral district, judge position number one of the King County district court.

**Sponsors:** Barón

***First Reading and Referral to the Committee of the Whole***

9. [Proposed Motion No. 2026-0013](#)

A MOTION making an appointment to fill a judicial vacancy in the West division, West electoral district, judge position number four of the King County district court.

**Sponsors:** Barón

***First Reading and Referral to the Committee of the Whole***

10. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0363](#)

A MOTION approving an amendment to an Amended and Restated Solid Waste Interlocal Agreement with the City of Bothell.

**Sponsors:** Dembowski

***First Reading and Referral to the Transportation, Economy, and Environment Committee***

11. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0364](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the organics system mapping and policy report as required by the 2025 Annual Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19861, Section 109, Proviso P2.

**Sponsors:** Dembowski

***First Reading and Referral to the Transportation, Economy, and Environment Committee***

12. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0365](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the construction and demolition materials flow control analysis and enforcement report as required by the 2025 Annual Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19861, Section 109, Proviso P1

**Sponsors:** Dembowski

***First Reading and Referral to the Transportation, Economy, and Environment Committee***



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### Reintroductions of Ordinances

13. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0286](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the execution of a franchise agreement with HyperFiber of Washington, LLC, for use of certain King County road rights-of-way in unincorporated King County for the construction, operation, and maintenance of wireline telecommunications transmission facilities.

**Sponsors:** von Reichbauer

**First Reading and Referral to the Government Accountability and Oversight Committee**

**On 12/9/2025, the Metropolitan King County Council Introduced and Referred to Government Accountability and Oversight Committee.**

### Reintroductions of Motions

14. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0217](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the third annual report on the second Best Starts for Kids initiative, in accordance with Ordinance 19354.

**Sponsors:** Mosqueda and von Reichbauer

**First Reading and Referral to the Regional Policy Committee**

**On 9/2/2025, the Metropolitan King County Council Introduced and Referred to Health, Housing, and Human Services Committee.**

**On 12/2/2025, the Health, Housing, and Human Services Committee Recommended Do Pass Consent.**

15. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0228](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Crystal Goodwin, who resides in council district seven, to the King County board for developmental disabilities.

**Sponsors:** von Reichbauer

**First Reading and Referral to the Health, Housing, and Human Services Committee**

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16. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0237](#)

A MOTION approving the 2024 annual mental illness and drug dependency evaluation summary report, in compliance with K.C.C. 4A.500.309.

**Sponsors:** Mosqueda and von Reichbauer

**First Reading and Referral to the Regional Policy Committee**

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**On 12/2/2025, the Health, Housing, and Human Services Committee Recommended Do Pass Consent.**

17. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0337](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Carrol Stripling, who resides in council district seven, to the King County veterans advisory board.

**Sponsors:** von Reichbauer

**First Reading and Referral to the Health, Housing, and Human Services Committee**

**On 12/9/2025, the Metropolitan King County Council Introduced and Referred to Health, Housing, and Human Services Committee.**

18. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0346](#)

A MOTION relating to the King County Metro Transit Strategic Plan for Public Transportation 2021-2031 and King County Metro Transit Service Guidelines and accepting the King County Metro Transit 2025 System Evaluation.

**Sponsors:** Barón

**First Reading and Referral to the Transportation, Economy, and Environment Committee**

**On 11/4/2025, the Metropolitan King County Council Introduced and Referred to Regional Transit Committee.**

**On 11/19/2025, the Regional Transit Committee Recommended Do Pass.**

19. Reports on Special and Outside Committees

Other Business

Adjournment

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## Meeting Minutes

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#### REVISED AGENDA - ADDED RECOGNITION UNDER ITEM 6 DRAFT MINUTES

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1. **Call to Order**

*The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.*

2. **Roll Call**

**Present:** 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Fain, Lewis, Mosqueda, Perry and von Reichbauer

3. **Flag Salute and Pledge of Allegiance**

*Councilmember Balducci led the flag salute and Pledge of Allegiance.*

4. **Approval of Minutes of January 6, 2026**

*Councilmember Barón moved to approve the minutes of the January 6, 2026, meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.*

5. **Additions to the Council Agenda**

*There were no additions.*

6. **Special Item**

**Proclamation of January 19 as Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day in King County**

*Councilmember Lewis made remarks and presented the proclamation to Eddie Lincoln, Chief Executive Officer, Rainier Scholars; and Kaila Davis Nsimbi, Seattle Executive Director, Rainier Scholars. Kaila Davis Nsimbi made remarks and thanked the Council.*

**Proclamation of January 13 as Korean American Day in King County**

*Councilmember Fain, Councilmember Barón, and Councilmember von Reichbauer made remarks and presented the proclamation to Eunji Seo, Consul General, Republic of Korea. Eunji Seo made remarks and thanked the Council.*

**Recognition of Dwight Dively for 15 years of distinguished service to King County as Director of the Office of Performance, Strategy and Budget, as well as his service to the people of King County**

*Councilmember Dembowski made remarks and presented the recognition to Dwight Dively. Dwight Dively made remarks and thanked the Council.*

**There will be one public hearing on Items 6-7**

*The following people spoke:*

*Alex Tsimerman*

*Spazzz Holmes*

*Rami Al-Kabra*

**Motions, from Standing Committees and Regional Committees and Motions related to Collective Bargaining, for Council Action****Employment and Administration Committee****7. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0352](#)**

A MOTION reappointing Tamer Abouzeid as the director of the office of law enforcement oversight.

**Sponsors:** Perry

*Tamer Abouzeid, Director, Office of Law Enforcement Oversight, made remarks and answered questions.*

*The Chair moved the meeting into Executive Session to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment, review the performance of a public employee, and discuss with legal counsel legal risks of a proposed action when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the county pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(g). at 2:50 p.m., for 20 minutes, until approximately 3:10 p.m. The Councilmembers left the dais and moved to the blue room to conduct the executive session.*

*The Chair extended Executive Session at 3:10 p.m for 20 minutes, until approximately 3:30 p.m.*

*The Chair extended Executive Session at 3:30 p.m. for 10 minutes, until approximately 3:40 p.m.*

*The Chair extended Executive Session at 3:40 p.m. for 10 minutes, until approximately 3:50 p.m.*

*The executive session ended and the Councilmembers moved from the blue room to dais. The Chair reconvened the meeting at 3:50 p.m.*

*Councilmember Barón withdrew the motion to consider proposed motion 2025-0352.*

*Chair Perry re-referred proposed motion 2025-0352 to the Employment and Administration Committee for further consideration.*

**A Public Hearing was held and closed. This matter was Re-referred to the Employment and Administration Committee**

### First Reading and Referral of Motions

8. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0324](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the summary letter and completion of the online annual report requirement for the Veterans, Seniors, and Human Services Levy, in accordance with Ordinance 19604, Section 6.B., and Attachment A to Ordinance 19719, Section IV.H.

**Sponsors:** Dembowski

*This is a dual referral first to the Budget and Fiscal Management Committee and then to the Regional Policy Committee.*

*This is a nonmandatory referral to the Regional Policy Committee under K.C.C. 1.24.065.I as an issue that would benefit from interjurisdictional discussion.*

**This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Budget and Fiscal Management Committee.**

9. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0358](#)

A MOTION acknowledging the receipt of the Vanpool Program Update report in compliance with the 2025 Annual Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19861, Section 115, Proviso P4.

**Sponsors:** Fain

**This matter had its first reading and was referred to the Transportation, Economy, and Environment Committee.**

### Reintroductions of Ordinances

10. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0270](#)

AN ORDINANCE adopting the 2025 King County real property asset management plan in response to K.C.C. 4.56.350; and amending Ordinance 10810, Section 1, as amended, and K.C.C. 4.56.350.

**Sponsors:** Dembowski

**This matter was Reintroduced**

11. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0359](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the execution of a new lease at an existing location to support the operation of public health - Seattle & King County.

**Sponsors:** Dembowski

**This matter was Reintroduced**

12. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0361](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the execution of an amended and restated lease to support the operation of public health - Seattle & King County.

**Sponsors:** Dembowski

**This matter was Reintroduced**

13. [Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-0367](#)

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the King County executive to execute an interlocal agreement with the city of North Bend to provide contract municipal police services by the King County sheriff's office.

**Sponsors:** Barón

**This matter was Reintroduced**

### Reintroductions of Motions

14. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0282](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Kyle Wong, who resides in council district one, to the King County waterworks grant ranking committee, as the metropolitan water pollution abatement advisory committee, participant sewer district representative.

**Sponsors:** Dembowski

**This matter was Reintroduced**

15. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0319](#)

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Tyler Morgan, who resides in council district one, to the King County solid waste advisory committee, as an agriculture representative.

**Sponsors:** Dembowski

**This matter was Reintroduced**

**16. Reports on Special and Outside Committees**

*No reports were given.*

**Other Business**

*No other business was presented.*

**Adjournment**

*The meeting was adjourned in honor of Kevin Hughes at 3:52 p.m.*

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

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Clerk's Signature



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## Signature Report

### Ordinance

**Proposed No.** 2025-0295.2

**Sponsors** Dembowski

1 AN ORDINANCE relating to the 2025 levy of property  
2 taxes in King County for collection in the year 2026.

3 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

4 SECTION 1. The county assessor of King County has certified to the  
5 metropolitan King County council that the assessed valuation of the County of King as  
6 finally equalized amounts to \$912,911,807,935.

7 SECTION 2. The King County council imposes the levies necessary to fund  
8 estimated expenditures for the year 2026 as listed in this section. These amounts do not  
9 include the total of estimated revenues from sources other than taxation, including  
10 available surplus and such expenditures as are to be net from bond warrant issues. In  
11 accordance with state law, the King County assessor calculated a sum for property taxes  
12 available to the county related to new construction, improvements to property, refunds,  
13 and any increase in the assessed value of state assessed property. In calculating the  
14 amount of regular property tax moneys needed, the council was cognizant of these sums,  
15 and they are therefore included in the following levy totals.

16	<u>FUND</u>	<u>TAX</u>
17	COUNTY	
18	CURRENT EXPENSE	\$442,172,495
19	HUMAN SERVICES FUND/MENTAL HEALTH	\$8,267,769
20	VETERANS' AID	\$3,683,931

21	VETERANS, SENIORS AND HUMAN SERVICES	\$90,486,624
22	PARKS	\$210,775,065
23	AFIS	\$24,887,567
24	BEST STARTS FOR KIDS	\$161,239,057
25	CRISIS CARE CENTERS	\$125,020,067
26	UNLIMITED G.O. BONDS	\$20,800,000
27	CONSERVATION FUTURES	\$56,044,835
28	EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES	\$228,945,431
29	TRANSPORTATION	\$34,987,393
30	MARINE	\$7,381,792
31	COUNTY HOSPITAL	\$138,094,681
32	TOTAL COUNTY	\$1,552,786,707

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42	<u>FUND</u>	<u>TAX</u>
43	UNINCORPORATED COUNTY – ROADS	\$104,038,958

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44            SECTION 4. The King County council certifies the levies of the following taxing  
 45 districts:

46 PORT DISTRICTS

47	PORT OF SEATTLE	\$90,180,055
48	CITIES AND TOWNS	
49	ALGONA	\$808,153
50	AUBURN (King County portion only)	\$23,477,130
51	BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE	\$198,779
52	BELLEVUE	\$95,487,103
53	BLACK DIAMOND	\$3,515,379
54	BOTHELL (King County portion only)	\$19,636,897
55	BURIEN	\$9,093,941
56	CARNATION	\$542,309
57	CLYDE HILL	\$1,402,007
58	COVINGTON	\$3,427,760
59	DES MOINES	\$5,836,412
60	DUVALL	\$2,144,744
61	ENUMCLAW	\$3,227,129
62	FEDERAL WAY	\$12,446,379
63	HUNTS POINT	\$323,859
64	ISSAQUAH	\$12,496,052
65	KENMORE	\$7,441,893
66	KENT	\$36,080,821

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67	KIRKLAND	\$45,201,134
68	LAKE FOREST PARK	\$3,578,834
69	MAPLE VALLEY	\$7,692,831
70	MEDINA	\$4,741,396
71	MERCER ISLAND	\$15,390,478
72	MILTON (KC portion only)	\$643,032
73	NEWCASTLE	\$6,598,462
74	NORMANDY PARK	\$4,285,875
75	NORTH BEND	\$2,836,762
76	PACIFIC (King County portion only)	\$295,962
77	REDMOND	\$34,189,483
78	RENTON	\$26,770,022
79	SAMMAMISH	\$35,672,429
80	SEATAC	\$19,870,584
81	SHORELINE	\$28,788,934
82	SKYKOMISH	\$64,668
83	SNOQUALMIE	\$8,864,274
84	TUKWILA	\$17,519,380
85	WOODINVILLE	\$4,027,244
86	YARROW POINT	\$711,562
87	TOTAL CITIES AND TOWNS	\$505,330,093
88	FIRE DISTRICTS	
89	2	\$22,727,407

Ordinance

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90	10	\$8,808,473
91	11	\$3,962,302
92	13	\$6,857,751
93	20	\$5,121,499
94	22 (King County portion only)	\$1,522,825
95	27	\$3,155,096
96	28	\$7,738,544
97	31	\$33,764
98	34	\$11,733,905
99	36	\$9,942,999
100	38	\$2,753,359
101	39	\$32,925,922
102	43	\$18,489,825
103	44	\$8,349,960
104	45	\$4,419,266
105	47	\$371,849
106	49 (King County portion only)	\$238,392
107	50	\$661,442
108	61 (King County portion only)	\$19,200,356
109	62	\$46,562,124
110	63	\$36,985,512
111	64	\$23,982,908
112	TOTAL FIRE DISTRICTS	\$276,545,480

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113	OTHER DISTRICTS	
114	CEMETERY DISTRICT NO. 1	\$128,750
115	SEATTLE METROPOLITAN PARKS DISTRICT	\$131,780,472
116	DES MOINES METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT	\$2,385,509
117	FALL CITY METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT	\$130,111
118	HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 1	\$70,354,621
119	HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 2	\$83,308,566
120	HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 4	\$4,617,794
121	HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 5	\$1,967,014
122	KING COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL ZONE DISTRICT	\$85,987,748
123	NORMANDY PARK METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT	\$670,731
124	NORTHSHORE PARKS & REC (King County portion only)	\$1,948,825
125	PIERCE COUNTY LIBRARY (King County portion only)	\$235,247
126	SI VIEW METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT	\$3,623,064
127	RURAL LIBRARY (King County portion only)	\$141,434,145
128	TUKWILA METROPOLITAN PARKS DISTRICT	\$4,149,693
129	VASHON MAURY PARKS	\$2,076,918
130	SOUND TRANSIT 3 (King County portion only)	\$129,831,472
131	TOTAL OTHER DISTRICTS	\$664,630,680
132	SCHOOL DISTRICTS	
133	001 – SEATTLE	\$658,278,433
134	210 - FEDERAL WAY	\$82,428,748
135	216 - ENUMCLAW	\$22,164,135

Ordinance

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136	400 - MERCER ISLAND	\$29,523,524
137	401 - HIGHLINE	\$142,137,378
138	402 - VASHON	\$11,891,359
139	403 - RENTON	\$141,721,107
140	404 - SKYKOMISH	\$226,549
141	405 - BELLEVUE	\$219,400,713
142	406 – TUKWILA	\$19,697,025
143	407 - RIVERVIEW	\$19,563,960
144	408 - AUBURN (King County portion only)	\$86,103,408
145	409 - TAHOMA	\$50,325,108
146	410 - SNOQUALMIE VALLEY	\$52,185,000
147	411 - ISSAQUAH	\$177,066,922
148	412 - SHORELINE	\$67,785,455
149	414 -LAKE WASHINGTON	\$301,234,742
150	415 - KENT	\$134,841,693
151	417 - NORTHSORE (King County portion only)	\$114,843,166
152	888 -FIFE (King County portion only)	\$3,182,076

153	TOTAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS	\$2,334,600,501
154	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,528,112,474</b>

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Sarah Perry, Chair

ATTEST:

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Melani Hay, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_.

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Girmay Zahilay, County Executive

**Attachments:** None



**King County**

**Metropolitan King County Council  
Budget and Fiscal Management Committee**

**REVISED STAFF REPORT**

<b>Agenda Item:</b>	5	<b>Name:</b>	April Sanders
<b>Proposed No.:</b>	2025-0295	<b>Date:</b>	January 14, 2026

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

*Proposed Substitute Ordinance 2025-0295.2 would update the levy amounts adopted in Ordinance 20026 that need correction after further due diligence by the Department of Assessments, passed out of committee on January 14, 2026, with a “Do Pass” recommendation. The Proposed Ordinance was amended in committee with Striking Amendment S1 to replace the blanks in the transmitted ordinance with updated levy amounts from the Department of Assessments.*

**SUBJECT**

Proposed Ordinance 2025-0295 would update levy amounts adopted in Ordinance 20026<sup>1</sup> that need correction after further due diligence by the Department of Assessments.

**BACKGROUND & SUMMARY**

RCW 84.52.020 requires the taxing districts to submit to the county legislative authority the amount of property tax levy that will be collected by that taxing district for the following year by November 30<sup>th</sup> of each year. The Department of Assessments compiles the submitted levy amounts for all the required taxing districts and those values are submitted to council to be included in the property tax levy certification ordinance.

Each year, two property tax levy certification ordinances are transmitted by the Executive with blanks in place of the levy amounts. The proposed ordinances are usually transmitted in September along with the biennial budget proposed ordinance during budget years. During non-budget years, the proposed ordinances are transmitted along with the mid-biennial supplemental budget legislation. The proposed ordinances

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<sup>1</sup> [King County - File #: 2025-0292](#)

include blanks in place of levy amounts since the proposed ordinances are transmitted before levy amounts are received from the taxing districts. Version 1 of the proposed ordinance is adopted in December once amended to input the levy amounts. Then version 2 of the proposed ordinance is adopted the following January to input updated levy amounts after further due diligence by the Department of Assessments.

*November 30<sup>th</sup> Requirement.* RCW 84.52.020 requires taxing districts to submit their levy amounts to the county legislative authority for certification by November 30<sup>th</sup> of each year. Due to this requirement, the council has usually acted on the property tax levy certification proposed ordinance in December (and January to update the levy amounts) since certain taxing districts do not submit their levy amounts until November 30<sup>th</sup>. However, RCW 84.52.070(1) also requires the county legislative authority to certify the levy amounts to the county assessor by December 15<sup>th</sup> of each year. In addition, RCW 84.52.070(3) states that if the levy amount is not certified to the county assessor by the date indicated in subsection (1), the county assessor may use no more than the certified levy amount for the previous year for the taxing district.

On December 9, 2025, the Council adopted Ordinance 20026, version 1 of the property tax levy certification ordinance.

Proposed Ordinance 2025-0295 would replace the blanks in the document with updated levy amounts that correct the values adopted in Ordinance 20026.

## **AMENDMENTS**

A striking amendment will be distributed through an additional materials packet before the committee meeting to replace the blanks in the transmitted ordinance with updated levy amounts adopted in Ordinance 20026 that need correction after further due diligence by the Department of Assessments.