



ADDITIONAL MEETING
MATERIALS
KING COUNTY
COUNCIL

January 25, 2026
Striking Amendment

Sponsor: Mosqueda, Lewis, Barón,
Dembowski

[M. Bailey]

Proposed No.: 2026-0018

1 **AMENDMENT TO PROPOSED MOTION 2026-0018, VERSION 1**

2 On page 1, beginning on line 5, strike everything through page 5, line 80, and insert:

3 "WHEREAS, the Trump Administration's assault on communities in the name of
4 immigration enforcement is eroding our constitutional rights and endangering residents,
5 and

6 WHEREAS, immigration authorities are using increasingly dangerous tactics,
7 such as engaging in unprovoked violence, pointing guns at civilians, and deploying
8 chemical weapons, and

9 WHEREAS, in multiple cities, agents from U.S. Immigration and Customs
10 Enforcement ("ICE") and U.S. Customs and Border Protection have violently arrested
11 civilians, including U.S. citizens, and deployed chemical weapons without warning in
12 residential areas, harming school children and even local law enforcement, and

13 WHEREAS, from September 2025 through January 2026, immigration agents
14 have shot twelve individuals, including three who died as a result: Silverio Villegas
15 González, a father of two, in Chicago; Renee Good, a U.S. citizen and mother of three, in
16 Minneapolis; and Alex Pretti, a U.S. citizen and federal employee who served as an
17 intensive care nurse for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, also in Minneapolis,
18 and

19 WHEREAS, conditions in immigration detention facilities are rapidly
20 deteriorating with facilities dangerously overcrowded and detained individuals and
21 advocates reporting medical neglect, substandard food, inadequate access to clean water,
22 and overuse of solitary confinement, and

23 WHEREAS, about ninety percent of people being detained are in for-profit
24 facilities, which have a long record of cutting corners on essential services to reap profits,
25 and

26 WHEREAS, since President Trump took office on January 20, 2025, an
27 unprecedented thirty-seven people have died in the custody of ICE, including several
28 deaths that may have been preventable, and

29 WHEREAS, the federal immigration system is a civil system, not a criminal
30 system, and immigration detention is intended to be non-punitive, as stated on ICE's own
31 website;

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

33 A. The council calls for an end to the aggressive and dangerous surges of U.S.
34 Immigration and Customs Enforcement and U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and an
35 end to improper U.S. Border Patrol deployments in communities across the country, both
36 of which are undermining public safety, endangering the health and safety of residents,
37 unduly harming children and vulnerable adults, and violating the legal and constitutional
38 rights of American citizens and immigrants and refugees.

39 B. The council calls on the United States Congress not to provide any additional
40 funding for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security ("DHS") without including

41 meaningful and significant guardrails to rein in the agency and how it operates in
42 communities. The council expresses support for guardrails that would:

43 1. End lawlessness in enforcement including by requiring DHS to get a judicial
44 warrant, stop using masked agents for immigration enforcement actions, and prohibiting
45 enforcement at sensitive locations;

46 2. End detention abuses by ending the use of private, for-profit detention
47 prisons, prohibiting funding for facilities that threaten the health, safety, or due process
48 rights of detained people, and restoring access to bond hearings; and

49 3. Rein in DHS by ensuring independent investigations of lawlessness and
50 violence perpetrated by immigration agents and meaningful consequences for agents
51 engaging in unprovoked violence and violations of individual's constitutional rights,
52 including mandatory referral for excessive use of force, in-custody deaths, and firearm
53 discharges.

54 C. The council calls on Congress to deliberate a plan to restructure DHS to bring
55 more accountability to this sprawling agency, to ensure that DHS's essential national
56 security and public safety functions, including cyber security and emergency
57 management, can be separated from immigration enforcement, and to completely rebuild
58 immigration enforcement agencies from the ground up to stop the culture of lawlessness
59 and ensure guardrails and accountability.

60 D. The clerk of the council is directed to send a copy of this motion to the
61 members of Washington's congressional delegation representing King County, which
62 includes both U.S. Senators and U.S. Representatives from the first, seventh, eighth, and
63 ninth congressional districts."

64 **EFFECT prepared by *M. Bailey*: The striking amendment would:**

65 • **Amend whereas statements to:**

66 ○ **Reflect the death of Alex Pretti, which occurred after the proposed**
67 **motion was introduced, and**

68 ○ **State that the federal immigration system is a civil system, not a**
69 **criminal system, and immigration detention is intended to be non-**
70 **punitive, as stated on ICE's own website**

71 • **Add that the Council calls for:**

72 ○ **An end to the aggressive and dangerous surges of U.S. Immigration**
73 **and Customs Enforcement and U.S. Customs and Border Protection,**
74 **and an end to improper U.S. Border Patrol deployments in**
75 **communities across the country (see Section A), and**

76 ○ **Congress to deliberate a plan to restructure DHS (see Section C).**

77 • **Shorten the list of guardrails to be included with any additional funding for**
78 **DHS (see Section B, Subsections 1-3).**

79 • **Change who the Clerk of the Council is directed to send a copy of the motion**
80 **to – instead of the entire Washington Congressional Delegation, the Clerk**
81 **would only be directed to send a copy to members representing King County**
82 **(Section D).**

January 26, 2026
Title Amendment

[M. Bailey]

Sponsor: Mosqueda

Proposed No.: 2026-0018

1 **TITLE AMENDMENT TO PROPOSED MOTION 2026-0018, VERSION 1**

2 On page 1, beginning on line 1, strike everything through line 4, and insert:

3 "A MOTION related to current federal immigration
4 enforcement practices and directing the clerk of the council
5 to send a copy of this motion to the members of
6 Washington's congressional delegation representing King
7 County."

8 **EFFECT prepared by *M. Bailey*: The amendment would make changes to the title to**
9 **comport with Striking Amendment S1.**

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Replaces Attachment A

[G. Paul]

Sponsor: Balducci

Proposed No.: 2025-0370

1 **AMENDMENT TO PROPOSED MOTION 2025-0370, VERSION 2**

2 Strike Attachment A, King County Auditor's Office - Work Program 2026-27, dated
3 December 29, 2025, and insert Attachment A, King County Auditor's Office - Work
4 Program 2026-27, dated January 27, 2026

5 ***EFFECT prepared by G. Paul: Would replace the work program attachment with an***
6 ***updated version that adds an item to the "Other Activities" category. The new item,***
7 ***titled "Full review of locally funded DCHS community grants," would ensure that***
8 ***DCHS, the Executive, and/or their contractors conduct a review of locally funded***
9 ***DCHS community grants in the 2026-2027 biennium. The Auditor would provide semi-***
10 ***annual updates on progress to the Council and would also harmonize this effort with***
11 ***the other DCHS grant/contract testing in the work program.***

WORK INITIATED IN 2025 THAT WILL CONTINUE INTO 2026–27

911 Communications Center
Medical Examiner’s Office
Parks Division
Permits Division
Recruitment and Retention
Stormwater Services

Work Program 2026–27
 We commit to completing 12 or more of the projects below in 2026–27, in addition to following up on past recommendations. We are including some flexible audit categories to allow us, with Council engagement, to respond to immediate needs with timely and appropriate audit work. These topics are not listed in priority order.

PERFORMANCE AUDITS

General Audit Topics	
Artificial Intelligence Use	Evaluate the use of artificial intelligence — scope may include generative artificial intelligence guidance or application
Assessor	Evaluate the Assessor’s Office — scope may include construction capacity, tax abatements, and/or residential appraisal
Business Resource Center	Evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of the work of the Business Resource Center or its successor
Customer Service	Evaluate to what extent King County has implemented county-level customer service leading practices, outlined in our 2021 technical paper and 2025 letter
Environmental Health	Evaluate the Environmental Health Division of the Department of Public Health – Seattle & King County — scope may include the food protection program and/or fiscal sustainability
Extreme Weather Preparedness	Evaluate the extent to which King County is prepared for extreme weather events — scope may include wildfires, smoke mitigation, and/or landslides
Facilities Management Division	Evaluate the Facilities Management Division of the Department of Executive Services — scope may include lease management or other emerging issues

Internal Controls Series	A series of audits that focus on internal controls such as contract management, payroll, accounts payable, reimbursements, and cash handling
Land Conservation Initiative	Evaluate the internal controls framework for the Conservation Futures program
Procurement	Evaluate the Procurement and Payables Section within the Department of Executive Services
Project Management Office	Evaluate the Project Management Office in the King County Department of Information Technology
Regional Homelessness Response	Evaluate King County's regional homelessness response — scope to be defined as the homeless care environment in King County stabilizes

Capital-Focused Audits



Construction Contract Management	Evaluate contract management policies and practices for construction contracts across King County capital projects
Capital Project Cost Growth	Identify causes of consistent county-wide cost growth across King County capital projects

Criminal Legal Audits



Adult Detention	Evaluate adult detention — scope may include discipline and/or classification
Field Training Program	Evaluate the Field Training Program in the King County Sheriff's Office
Sheriff Overtime	Evaluate the status of incomplete recommendations from our 2017 audit and identify key drivers of current overtime costs — <i>This work could be conducted as a study, rather than an audit or the objectives could be incorporated into a different audit</i>
Time to Case Resolution	Evaluate data from criminal legal agencies to provide transparency into legal case timelines and impacts
Emerging Criminal Legal Issues	Monitor criminal legal issues and identify high-risk or emerging areas of policy-maker concern for analysis



Transportation Audits

Paratransit	Evaluate Paratransit — scope may include service area and/or risk and cost management
Rider Experience	Evaluate Metro Transit’s rider experience — scope may include system cleanliness and/or safety and security at transit stops and on coaches
EEO Office	Evaluate the Office of Equal Employment Opportunity within Metro Transit
Emerging Issues in Metro Transit	Monitor transportation issues and identify high-risk or emerging areas of policy-maker concern for analysis. Topics may include coach safety, advanced service management, and/or non-fare revenues.

CAPITAL OVERSIGHT

Direct Project Oversight

- Harborview Project Oversight
- Mouth of the Duwamish Wet Weather Facilities Program

General Oversight Activities

- Follow-up of past recommendations
- Monitoring of high-risk capital programs and projects, and communicating concerns
- Project risk scoring
- Solid Waste Capital Program and Long-Term Disposal Options Decision
- Wastewater Treatment Program Planning

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Council-requested feasibility report on qui tam, inspector general, and contract oversight

Audit follow-ups

Peer review

Full review of locally funded DCHS community grants

Ensure that DCHS, the Executive, and/or their contractors conduct a review of locally funded DCHS community grants within the biennium. The Auditor will provide semi-annual updates on progress to Council. The Auditor will harmonize this effort with DCHS grant/contract testing on their work program.

Grant/Contract Testing

- Public Health – Seattle & King County
- Department of Community and Human Services

Criteria Papers

- Succession planning
- Data collection, management