



KING COUNTY

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Signature Report

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Motion 11348

Proposed No. 2001-0590.2

Sponsors Sullivan

1 A MOTION relating to the organization of the council,
2 electing the chair and vice-chair of the council and
3 designating the chairs, vice-chairs, members, meeting times
4 and duties of committees for the year 2002; and amending
5 Motion 11105 (part) and OR 1-040, Motion 10651, Section
6 III, and OR 1-020, Motion 10651, Section IV, and OR 1-
7 030, Motion 11122, Section B, and OR 2-010, Motion
8 11122, Section D, and OR 2-020, Motion 10651, Section
9 V, as amended, and OR 2-030, Motion 11122, Section G,
10 as amended, and OR 2-040, Motion 11122, Section H, as
11 amended, and OR 2-050, Motion 11122, Section F, and OR
12 2-120 and Motion 11122, Section I, and OR 2-060.

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WHEREAS, the charter provides that the council shall elect one of its members as
chair, and Motion 10651, Section II, and OR 1-010 provides that the council shall elect a

17 chair and vice-chair, both of whom shall serve at the pleasure of the council for a term of
18 one year, unless otherwise ordered by the council, and

19 WHEREAS, the council has specified by motion the chairs, vice-chairs, and
20 members of council committees and provided for any changes to these positions to be
21 made by adoption of a formal legislative motion;

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

23 I. Motion 11105 (part) and OR 1-040 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

24 **Chair and vice-chair elected.** For the year (~~(2001)~~) 2002, and until a successor is
25 elected, the council elects Councilmember (~~((Pete von Reichbauer))~~) Cynthia Sullivan as
26 council chair and Councilmember (~~((Louise Miller))~~) Pete von Reichbauer as council vice-
27 chair.

28 II. Motion 10651, Section III and OR 1-020 are each hereby amended to read as
29 follows:

30 **Powers and duties of the chair.**

31 A. The chair shall appoint the membership to standing committees, special
32 committees and outside committees as required or as deemed necessary to efficiently
33 conduct the business of the council. The council recognizes that its committee structure,
34 membership and chairs and vice-chairs reflect the council's will. Any changes thereto shall
35 be made only by formal legislative motion adopted by a majority of the members at a
36 council meeting.

37 B. The chair shall have the responsibility and general direction for the council's
38 resources, budget, operation and organizational structure. The chair shall be responsible
39 for the general oversight of legislative branch employees, except personal staff of

40 councilmembers. The council chief of staff and policy staff director shall be responsible
41 for the overall management and administration of legislative branch employees as
42 specified in OR 3-030.

43 C. The chair of the council shall not enter into a consultant contract for more than
44 twenty-five thousand dollars without first being authorized to do so by council motion. All
45 consultants shall comply with the King County code of ethics.

46 D. The chair shall regularly consult in the exercise of her or his duties with the
47 vice-chair and a member (~~(of the minority party)~~) designated by the (~~(minority party)~~)
48 chair. The chair, in consultation with committee chairs, shall direct the necessary
49 coordination of staff. The council's chief of staff and the policy staff director shall report
50 to the chair or the chair's staff designee.

51 E. The chair shall be (~~(the vice-chair)~~) a member of the employment committee.

52 III. Motion 10651, Section IV and OR 1-030 are each hereby amended to read as
53 follows:

54 **Powers and duties of the vice-chair.**

55 A. The vice-chair shall exercise the duties, powers and prerogatives of the council
56 chair in the event of the chair's absence.

57 B. The vice-chair shall serve as the chair of the employment committee.

58 C. The vice-chair shall issue, upon recommendation of the employment committee
59 and with the approval of a majority of the full council, all employment decisions for
60 legislative branch employees except the councilmembers' personal staff. The vice-chair
61 shall convene the employment committee as needed.

62 IV. Motion 11122, Section B, and OR 2-010 are each hereby amended to read as

63 follows:

64 **Committee-of-the-whole – functions.** The council may go into committee-of-
65 the-whole at any time. The committee-of-the-whole shall consider: issues of interest to
66 the entire council, including the annual work program and appointments to the state
67 legislature and to the executive branch; the annual legislative program; agendas for
68 council meetings; ~~((cultural resources issues;))~~ and other program and policy matters.

69 V. Motion 11122, Section D, and OR 2-020 are each hereby amended to read as
70 follows:

71 **Committees ~~((and subcommittees))~~ – functions.** In addition to any committee
72 otherwise established by law, the committees ~~((and subcommittees))~~ of the metropolitan
73 King County council and their respective functions are established as follows:

74 **A. ~~((1.))~~ Budget and fiscal management committee** shall: review and monitor
75 the budget, including financial plans, revenues, expenditures, quarterly reports, and
76 capital improvement programs; monitor the financial status of county funds; consider and
77 make recommendations to all supplemental appropriations; and consider and make
78 recommendations on debt and investment proposals, levies, fees and taxes. In respect to
79 consideration of the county's annual budget, all members of the council not assigned to
80 the budget and fiscal management committee will be considered ex officio voting
81 members of the committee. ~~((The committee will have two vice chairs, a vice chair for
82 budget development and analysis and a vice chair for capital budget. The vice chairs will
83 chair standing panels of the committee during the annual budget process. The vice chairs
84 shall recommend to the budget chair an organization for the budget process that augments
85 and incorporates the committee's work under their direction as committee vice chairs.~~

86 ~~2.a. Each vice chair will act as chair of the committee when the committee~~
87 ~~considers and develops recommendations on broad policy and programmatic issues of~~
88 ~~great fiscal significance to the county as stated in subsection A.2.a.(1) and (2) of this~~
89 ~~section.~~

90 ~~(1) Vice chair for budget development and analysis — policy and~~
91 ~~programmatic issues of significance. The vice chair for budget development and~~
92 ~~analysis shall: act as chair of the budget and fiscal management committee for the~~
93 ~~purpose of implementing a year round zero based budgeting review of King County~~
94 ~~departments and divisions; research county overhead expenses and internal fund charges~~
95 ~~and establish standards for evaluating same; identify and recommend efficiencies and~~
96 ~~other cost effectiveness measures; and utilize data and other information from King~~
97 ~~County's financial systems to assist it in achieving these objectives. Recommendations~~
98 ~~from these deliberations shall be forwarded to the chair of the committee for final budget~~
99 ~~and fiscal management committee review and approval. Final committee action will be~~
100 ~~taken under the direction of the committee chair.~~

101 ~~(2) Vice chair for capital budget — policy and programmatic issues of~~
102 ~~significance. The vice chair for capital budget shall act as chair of the budget and fiscal~~
103 ~~management committee for the purpose of reviewing and making recommendations~~
104 ~~regarding: King County's general fund capital improvement programs and related~~
105 ~~financial plans; proposed bond or levy funded capital improvements; and the King~~

109 these deliberations shall be forwarded to the chair of the committee for final budget and
110 fiscal management committee review and approval. Final committee action will be taken
111 under the direction of the committee chair.

112 ~~_____ b. Issues for consideration by the vice chairs may be included on the agenda of~~
113 ~~any regular or special meeting of the budget and fiscal management committee with the~~
114 ~~consent of the chair. Each vice chair shall act as chair when the committee reviews and~~
115 ~~comments upon such legislation as may be referred to them by the chair of the budget~~
116 ~~committee. The vice chair shall report the results of such a review and comment to the~~
117 ~~committee chair and committee members together with any potential amendments that~~
118 ~~might improve the legislation. Final committee action will be taken under the direction~~
119 ~~of the committee chair.~~

120 ~~_____ c. In the absence of the chair of the committee, the vice chair for budget~~
121 ~~development and analysis shall act as chair. In the absence of the chair and the vice chair~~
122 ~~for budget development and analysis, the vice chair for capital budget shall act as chair.~~
123 ~~The committee may not act on referrals or recommendations resulting from the vice chair~~
124 ~~process during a meeting at which the chair of the committee is absent without prior~~
125 ~~approval of the chair.))~~

126 **B. Growth management and unincorporated areas committee** shall consider
127 and make recommendations on policies relating to land use development, comprehensive
128 planning, development regulations, regulatory reform and recommendations to the
129 department of development and environmental services (DDES). In respect to
130 consideration of ~~((the annual))~~ updates of the Comprehensive Plan, all members of the
131 council not assigned to the growth management and unincorporated areas committee will

132 be considered ex officio voting members of the committee. The chair of the committee
133 may refer various portions of the Comprehensive Plan to panels of members. The chair of
134 the committee may employ the various standing committees as panels. The panels shall
135 transmit their recommendations to all councilmembers for their consideration as regular or
136 ex officio members of the growth management and unincorporated areas committee before
137 the committee refers the annual update of the Comprehensive Plan to the full council.

138 The committee shall consider and make recommendations relating to: market rate
139 housing and housing affordability; Growth Management Planning Council (GMPC),
140 including GMPC task forces, timelines, products (such as benchmarking and land
141 capacity), and Countywide Planning Policies; Potential Annexation Areas and interlocal
142 agreements; boundary review board and nonutility annexations; planned action
143 environmental impact statements and related phased state Environmental Policy Act
144 review; and the Puget Sound Regional Council; and development and land use regulations
145 necessary to either implement salmon recovery or comply with the Endangered Species
146 Act, or both.

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

153 **C. Law, justice and human services committee shall:**

154 1. Consider and make recommendations on policies relating to: public safety;
155 adult detention; constitutional and human rights; discrimination; civil and criminal liability;
156 ethics; campaign practices; juvenile justice programs; youth services; the superior and
157 district courts; judicial administration; prosecuting attorney; and public defense; and

158 2. Consider and make recommendations on matters relating to personal and
159 environmental health; mental health; developmental disabilities; alcoholism and substance
160 abuse; emergency medical services; human services; families and children; women's
161 programs; and aging programs(;and

162 ~~3. Oversee implementation of the children and families initiative)).~~

163 **D. Legislative steering committee** shall consider and make recommendations to
164 the full council on legislation before the federal, state and local governments that affect
165 King County. The committee shall meet regularly with all branches of King County
166 government to review legislation and policies that affect them and to coordinate the county
167 response to issues from other levels of government.

168 **E. ~~((Management, I))~~Labor, technology and ((eustomer services)) government**
169 **operations committee** shall:

170 1. Consider and make recommendations on policies relating to management
171 organizational structure(~~(;))~~; customer service; the efficiency, cost effectiveness and
172 performance of county departments, including: assessor; personnel; purchasing; civil rights
173 and compliance; real property management; general services; records and elections;
174 facilities management; risk management; safety and worker's compensation; and
175 cooperative extension community services;

176 2. Consider and make recommendations to the full council on the annual audit
177 program;

178 3. Consider and make recommendations to the full council on labor ~~((relations))~~
179 agreements;

180 4. ~~((Act as the labor policy committee;))~~ Review complaints filed pursuant to
181 K.C.C. 3.16 by bargaining representatives;

182 5. Consider and make recommendations relating to municipal service contracts;
183 ~~((and))~~

184 6. Consider DDES efficiency and customer service; and

185 7. Consider and make recommendations relating to information technology, cable
186 communications and telecommunications issues.

187 **F. Natural resources, parks and open space committee** shall consider and make
188 recommendations on natural resources policies relating to: cultural resources; recreation
189 programs; issues relating to the Endangered Species Act; parks; open space; agricultural
190 lands; and resource lands.

191 **G. Transportation committee** shall consider and make recommendations on
192 policies relating to: transportation; planning; roads; engineering; and public transportation.

193 **H. Utilities ~~((and technology))~~ committee** shall make recommendations relating
194 to: ~~((cable communications; planning of long range technology and its economic~~
195 ~~development on the region; telecommunications including wireless; and))~~ utility services
196 (including wastewater treatment, solid waste management, flood control, and surfacewater
197 and stormwater management); utility annexations; utility comprehensive plans and
198 franchises; and water quality and water quantity issues.

199 VI. Motion 10651, Section V, as amended, and OR 2-030 are each hereby
200 amended to read as follows:

201 **Employment committee.**

202 **A. Membership requirements – duties.** The employment committee shall consist
203 of ~~((six))~~ four members and two alternates. ~~((three))~~ Two members and one alternate shall
204 be from the majority party and ((three)) two members and one alternate shall be from the
205 minority party. The only time an alternate may vote is when a regular member of the same
206 party is absent. The vice-chair of the council shall chair the committee.

207 **B. Process.**

208 1. Personnel decisions. The employment committee shall make recommendations
209 to the full council concerning decisions for legislative branch employees, except for
210 councilmembers' personal staff. Personnel decisions include decisions to hire, to fill
211 vacancies, to make staffing adjustments, to assign or reassign staff, to adjust staff pay, to
212 analyze future hiring needs and to make other necessary employment decisions. Personnel
213 decisions do not include termination or disciplinary decisions, which follow the process
214 stated in subsection B.2 of this section. Employment committee recommendations on
215 personnel decisions shall be contained in a written recommendation report that shall, upon
216 signature of three committee members, be sent to the full council. The council shall
217 consider the recommendation reports from the committee on an employment committee
218 consent agenda. However, in the event the employment committee forwards two
219 recommendations to the council on the same matter, the two recommendations shall be
220 considered separately from the consent agenda.

221 2. Terminations and disciplinary decisions. The employment committee makes

222 decisions on discipline and termination, including layoffs. If four committee members
223 vote for a termination or disciplinary action the decision is final. However, an employee
224 who has been either suspended without pay of two weeks or more, or terminated may
225 appeal the decision of the employment committee to the full council. Nondisciplinary
226 terminations are subject to appeal in the same manner as disciplinary terminations. If
227 only three members vote to recommend a termination or disciplinary action, the
228 recommendation should be forwarded to the full council for consideration in the manner
229 set forth in subsection B.1.

230 3. Nothing in this process is to be construed to alter the at-will status of
231 legislative branch employees. This process is designed to facilitate the will of the
232 majority of the council.

233 **C. Removal of recommendations from consent agenda.** Upon the request of
234 any member present before the full council, any specific recommendation from the
235 employment committee shall be removed from the consent agenda and considered
236 separately by the council prior to adoption of the employment consent agenda. The
237 council may then by a majority vote make whatever orderly disposition of the matter it
238 deems appropriate.

239 **D. Motions for censure.** The employment committee shall consider and make
240 recommendations on motions for censure related to alleged violations of any
241 antiharassment policy by a councilmember.

242 **E. Personnel records as confidential.** To the extent permitted by law, personnel
243 records which would be exempt from public disclosure shall continue to be treated as
244 confidential and records or portions thereof which are exempt shall be conspicuously

245 identified as such and separated from nonexempt records.

246 VII. Motion 11122, Section G, as amended, and OR 2-040 are each hereby
247 amended to read as follows:

248 **Chairs and vice-chairs.** The council (~~((hereby confirms the))~~) designates the
249 following councilmembers as chairs and vice-chairs of the standing committees created
250 in this motion and the regional committees established in the King County Charter.

251 Committee-of-the-whole:

252 Chair: Chair of the council, (~~((Pete von Reichbauer))~~) Cynthia Sullivan.

253 Vice-chair: (~~((Louise Miller))~~) Pete von Reichbauer.

254 Budget and fiscal management committee:

255 Chair: (~~((Rob McKenna))~~) Larry Phillips.

256 Vice-chair (~~((for budget development and analysis))~~): Jane Hague.

257 (~~((Vice Chair for capital budget: Larry Phillips.))~~)

258 Employment committee:

259 Chair: (~~((Louise Miller))~~) Pete von Reichbauer.

260 Vice-chair: (~~((Pete von Reichbauer))~~) Larry Gossett.

261 Growth management and unincorporated areas committee:

262 Chair: (~~((Cynthia Sullivan))~~) Jane Hague.

263 Vice-chair: (~~((Jane Hague))~~) Larry Phillips.

264 Law, justice and human services committee:

265 Chair: (~~((Greg Nickels))~~) Larry Gossett.

266 Vice-chair: (~~((Kent Pullen))~~) Kathy Lambert.

267 Legislative steering committee:

268 Chair: Dwight Pelz.

269 Vice-chair: (~~(Louise Miller)~~) Kathy Lambert.

270 (~~(Management, I)~~) Labor, technology and ((customer services)) government
271 operations committee:

272 Chair: (~~(Kent Pullen)~~) Dow Constantine.

273 Vice-chair: (~~(Larry Gossett)~~) Kent Pullen.

274 Natural resources, parks and open space committee:

275 Chair: (~~(Larry Phillips)~~) Carolyn Edmonds.

276 Vice-chair: (~~(Louise Miller)~~) David Irons.

277 Transportation committee:

278 Chair: (~~(Maggi Fimia)~~) Dwight Pelz.

279 Vice-chair: (~~(Les Thomas)~~) Rob McKenna.

280 Utilities (~~(and Technology)~~) committee:

281 Chair: (~~(David Irons)~~) Julia Patterson.

282 Vice-chair: Jane Hague.

283 Regional policy committee:

284 Chair: (~~(Larry Gossett)~~) Julia Patterson.

285 Regional transit committee:

286 Chair: (~~(Les Thomas)~~) Rob McKenna.

287 Vice-chair: (~~(Maggi Fimia)~~) Dwight Pelz.

288 Regional water quality committee:

289 Chair: (~~(Louise Miller)~~) Kathy Lambert.

290 Vice-chair: (~~(Larry Phillips)~~) Carolyn Edmonds.

291 VIII. Motion 11122, Section H, as amended, and OR 2-050 are each hereby
292 amended to read as follows:

293 **Memberships.** The council (~~((hereby confirms the memberships))~~) designates the
294 following councilmembers, in addition to the chairs and vice-chairs, as members of the
295 standing committees created in this motion and the regional committees established in the
296 King County Charter.

297 Committee-of-the-whole:

298 Members: All councilmembers.

299 Budget and fiscal management committee:

300 Members: Dow Constantine, Larry Gossett, Rob McKenna (~~((Nickels))~~),
301 Cynthia Sullivan, (~~((Irons,))~~) Pete von Reichbauer.

302 Employment committee:

303 Members: (~~((Gossett, Hague, Nickels, Pelz,))~~) Rob McKenna, Cynthia
304 Sullivan.

305 Alternate members: (~~((McKenna, Sullivan))~~)

306 A. Democrat:

307 B. Republican: .

308 Growth management and unincorporated areas committee:

309 Members: Dow Constantine (~~((Hague))~~), David Irons, (~~((McKenna,))~~) Kathy
310 Lambert, Dwight Pelz, (~~((Phillips,))~~) Cynthia Sullivan.

311 Law, justice and human services committee:

312 Members: Dow Constantine, Carolyn Edmonds, (~~((Gossett, Irons,))~~) Rob
313 McKenna, Dwight Pelz, (~~((Thomas))~~) Kent Pullen.

314 Legislative steering committee:

315 Members: ~~((Fimia, Hague, McKenna, Nickels, von Reichbauer))~~ All
316 councilmembers.

317 ~~((Management, I))~~ Labor, technology and ~~((customer-services))~~ government
318 operations committee:

319 Members: Larry Gossett, Jane Hague, ((Irons,)) Cynthia Sullivan, ((von
320 Reichbauer)).

321 Natural resources, parks and open space committee:

322 Members: ~~((Gossett, Irons,))~~ Dow Constantine, Larry Phillips, Pete von
323 Reichbauer.

324 Transportation committee:

325 Members: Carolyn Edmonds, Larry Gossett, ((Hague,)) David Irons,
326 ((McKenna, Nickels, Pelz)) Kathy Lambert, Julia Patterson.

327 Utilities ~~((and technology))~~ committee:

328 Members: ~~((Miller, Gossett, Sullivan))~~ Carolyn Edmonds, Dwight Pelz,
329 Pete von Reichbauer.

330 Regional policy committee:

331 Members: Carolyn Edmonds, Larry Gossett, Jane Hague ((Fimia, Pelz)),
332 Kent Pullen, ((Thomas,)) Pete von Reichbauer.

333 Regional transit committee:

334 Members: David Irons, ((McKenna, Nickels, Pelz)) Kathy Lambert, Julia
335 Patterson, Cynthia Sullivan.

336 Regional water quality committee:

337 Members: ~~((Gossett, Pullen,))~~ David Irons, ~~((Sullivan))~~ Julia Patterson,
338 Larry Phillips, Kent Pullen.

339 IX. Motion 11122, Section F, and OR 2-120 are each hereby amended to read as
340 follows:

341 **Interim staff assignments.** Pending consideration by the employment committee
342 and action by the full council on general staffing adjustments necessary as a result of
343 committee reorganization, the ~~((council authorizes the staff previously assigned to~~
344 ~~legislation to continue to staff it.))~~ council chair ~~((The policy staff director))~~, in
345 consultation with the employment committee chair, the affected committee chairs, the
346 policy staff director and the chief of staff, is hereby authorized to temporarily assign staff
347 to any committee or ~~((staff to newly introduced or unassigned))~~ legislation. Such
348 assignments shall give due consideration to existing areas of expertise, workload and
349 priorities of committee chairs.

350 X. Motion 11122, Section I, and OR2-060 are each hereby amended to read as
351 follows:

352 Meeting times. Council committee meetings, other than the committee of the
353 whole, are cancelled until the council adopts regular committee meeting times. By
354 January 14, 2002, the council chair shall introduce a motion designating such times.
355 ~~((The council hereby confirms the regularly scheduled meeting times of the standing~~
356 ~~committees created in this motion and the regional committees established in the King~~
357 ~~County Charter.))~~

358 Committee-of-the-whole:

359 Monday of each week at 9:30 a.m., or Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. if Monday is a

360 state or county holiday.

361 ((Budget and Fiscal Management Committee:

362 ~~————— The first, second and third Wednesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. and the~~

363 ~~fourth Wednesday of each month with five Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.~~

364 ~~————— Employment committee:~~

365 ~~————— The second and fourth Monday of each month, fifteen minutes after the~~

366 ~~close of the regular council meeting.~~

367 ~~————— Growth management and unincorporated areas committee:~~

368 ~~————— The first and third Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m., and fourth~~

369 ~~————— Tuesday of each month at 2:00 p.m.~~

370 ~~————— Law, justice and human services committee:~~

371 ~~————— The first and third Thursday of each month at 9:30 a.m.~~

372 ~~————— Legislative steering committee:~~

373 ~~————— The first, second, third and fourth Monday of each month at 8:00 a.m.~~

374 ~~————— Management, labor and customer services committee:~~

375 ~~————— The second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m.~~

376 ~~————— Natural resources, parks and open space committee:~~

377 ~~————— The first and fourth Thursday of each month at 1:45 p.m., and third~~

378 ~~————— Tuesday of each month at 2:00 p.m.~~

379 ~~————— Transportation committee:~~

380 ~~————— The second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 2:00 p.m.~~

381 ~~————— Utilities and technology committee:~~

382 ~~————— The second and fourth Thursday of each month at 9:30 a.m.~~

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383 ~~Regional policy committee:~~

384 ~~The fourth Thursday of each month at 3:00 p.m.~~

385 ~~Regional transit committee:~~

386 ~~The third Thursday of each month at 3:00 p.m.~~

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387 ~~Regional water quality committee:~~

388 ~~The second Thursday of each month at 3:00 p.m.))~~

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Motion 11348 was introduced on 12/3/01 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 1/7/02, by the following vote:

Yes: 12 - Ms. Edmonds, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Pelz, Mr. McKenna,
Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Sullivan, Mr. Constantine, Mr. Pullen, Mr. Gossett,
Mr. Irons and Ms. Patterson

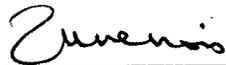
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Excused: 1 - Ms. Hague

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Cynthia Sullivan, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

Attachments None