



KING COUNTY

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Signature Report

March 22, 2016

Motion 14590

Proposed No. 2016-0109.1

Sponsors von Reichbauer

1 A MOTION adopting the 2016 work plan for the
2 government accountability and oversight committee.

3 WHEREAS, the responsibilities of the government accountability and oversight
4 committee for 2016 are detailed in Motion 14502 unless a motion is passed, and

5 WHEREAS, Motion 14502 charges the government accountability and oversight
6 committee with considering and making policy recommendations relating to:

7 1. Improving the efficiency, cost effectiveness, and performance of all branches
8 of county government (legislative, executive and judicial);

9 2. Enhancing oversight, accountability and transparency in King County
10 government, the office of law enforcement oversight, the annual county audit program
11 and federal, state or county audit reports, the administration of the Public Records Act,
12 civil rights and compliance, capital projects oversight, strategic planning, performance
13 measurement and performance management, management organizational structure and
14 technology management; and

15 3. General government oversight, including customer service, worker safety, the
16 department of assessments; elections; records and licensing; animal control; cable
17 communications; the county fair; King County international airport; risk management;
18 veterans; and executive services such as telecommunications, facilities management,
19 purchasing and real property management, and

20 WHEREAS, in the areas within the committee's purview, the committee shall
21 track state and federal legislative action and develop recommendations on policy
22 direction for the biennial budget, and

23 WHEREAS, the committee has developed a work plan for 2016 to facilitate its
24 review and development of policy options and recommendations on these and other
25 issues, and

26 WHEREAS, the committee seeks full council support for its work plan;

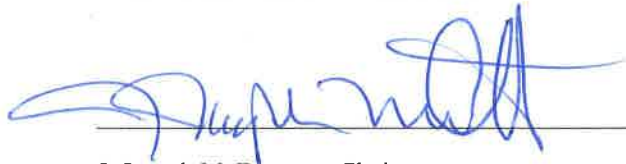
27 NOW THEREFORE BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

28 The government accountability and oversight committee's 2016 work plan,
29 Attachment A to this motion, is hereby accepted.
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Motion 14590 was introduced on 2/29/2016 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 3/21/2016, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Dunn,
Mr. McDermott, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Upthegrove, Ms. Kohl-Welles
and Ms. Balducci
No: 0
Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



J. Joseph McDermott, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

Attachments: A. Government Accountability and Oversight Committee - 2016 Work Program



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**Metropolitan King County Council
Government Accountability and Oversight Committee
2016 Work Program**

The Government Accountability and Oversight Committee will consider and make recommendations on:

- Improving the efficiency, cost effectiveness, and performance of all branches of County government;
- Enhancing oversight, accountability, and transparency in County government; and
- Increasing general government oversight.

During 2016, the Committee will focus on the following issues:

- 1. Technology Oversight and Monitoring.** Review activities, reports, policy proposals, and plans for King County's use of technology to improve delivery of public services.

Key Work Program Items:

- Review and make recommendations to the full Council on Review annual update to the County's Strategic Technology Plan
- Review Benefit Achievement Plans for proposed and ongoing IT projects
- Track and report on any related budgets, provisos and responses, including
 - the proviso response related to business transformation (Ordinance 17941 Section 24, Proviso P2)

- 2. Human Resources Oversight.** Review and make recommendations to the full Council on issues related to King County employees and human resources issues.

Key Work Program Items:

- Review proposed collective bargaining agreements with labor units that are within the committee's jurisdiction
- Receive briefings and review legislation on human resources policy and initiatives, such as leave policies, recruitment, worker safety, voluntary separation, and training
- Track and report on any related budgets, provisos and responses

- 3. King County Auditor's Office.** Review the work of the King County Auditor as outlined in Motion 14274, adopting the King County Auditor's Office 2015-16 Work Program.

Key Work Program Items:

- Receive briefings on a range of Auditor's Office work items and consider legislative action based on presented findings, including
 - An evaluation of the approach to and impact of implementing LEAN methods in King County
 - An evaluation of the effectiveness and equity of the allocation of merit pay within King County, including the relationship between merit pay and performance management.
 - An evaluation of the effectiveness and impact of debt usage for capital projects across county programs
 - Assessment of the effectiveness of real estate decision-making and implementation processes across divisions.
- Receive updates on the County's Capital Project Oversight Program
- Track and report on any related budgets, provisos and responses

4. **Elections Oversight.** Review and make recommendations to the full Council on Elections operations.

Key Work Program Items:

- Consider appointments to Citizens' Elections Oversight Committee
- Review Citizens' Elections Oversight Committee 2016 Annual Report with briefing from CEOC Chair
- Review and discuss goals, accomplishments and proposed innovations with Elections Director
- Track and report on any related budgets, provisos and responses, including
 - the proviso response related to a five Year Strategic Technology Plan for the department of Elections (Ordinance 17941, Section 34); and,
 - as appropriate, coordinate with Committee of the Whole on the proviso response regarding the department's plan to engage limited English proficiency populations (Ordinance 17695, Section 33)

5. **Taxi, Car Sharing and For-Hire Oversight.** Review and make recommendations to the full Council on taxicab, ride sharing and for-hire services.

Key Work Program Items:

- Review the annual Taxicab Report
- Briefing on the state legislature's actions related to the for-hire industry

6. **King County Airport.** Review and make recommendations to the full Council on operations and future planning for the King County Airport.

Key Work Program Items:

- Review recommendations of the King County International Airport Lease Framework Work Group
- Track and report on any related budgets, provisos and responses, including the

proviso response related to Airport perimeter security measures (Ordinance 17941, Section 129)

7. **King County boards and commissions.** Review and make recommendations to the full Council on appointments to boards and commissions that provide direct citizen oversight of County functions.

Key Work Program Items:

- Consider appointments to King County boards and commissions that are within the committee's jurisdiction, including but not limited to:
 - King County Ethics Board
 - King County Citizens' Elections Oversight Committee
 - King County International Airport Roundtable
 - King County Civic Television Citizens' Advisory Committee
 - Regional Communications Board
 - Major League Baseball Stadium Public Facilities District

8. **Government Oversight, Accountability and Transparency.** Review and provide guidance on issues and projects that could enhance government accountability through performance management and LEAN management processes.

Key Work Program Items:

- Track and report on any related budgets, provisos and responses, including
 - the proviso response related to developing a financial sustainability report for the Regional Animal Services of King County (Ordinance 17941 Section 87, Proviso P1);
- Review and consider information and policy proposals on issues within the committee's jurisdiction, including but not limited to issues listed in items one through eight above and:
 - Cable communications
 - Civil rights and compliance
 - Customer service
 - Department of Assessments
 - Federal and State audit reports
 - General government services, including Records and Licensing, Facilities Management, Purchasing, Telecommunications, and Real Property Management
 - King County Fair and fairgrounds
 - Management organizational structure
 - Office of Law Enforcement Oversight
 - Performance measurement and management
 - Public Records Act administration
 - Risk management
 - Strategic planning
 - Veterans' issues
 - Worker safety