King County Local Services

Community Service Area Town Hall Meeting

Bear Creek/Sammamish

Thursday, Oct. 1, 2020
Welcome

John Taylor, Director
King County Local Services
Schedule

1. Welcome .................................................. Local Services Director John Taylor
2. Opening remarks ..................................... Councilmember Kathy Lambert
3. Elections .................................................. Director Julie Wise
4. Assessor ................................................... Assessor John Wilson
5. Sheriff’s Office ......................................... Major John C. McSwain
6. Community Partner Updates
7. County COVID-19 Update ......................... Assistant Division Director Julie Horowitz
8. Fiscal State of the County ......................... Budget Manager Becka Johnson Poppe
9. Local Services Updates ............................. Director John Taylor
10. King County Briefings .............................. Department Staff
11. Q&A / open house
12. Closing Remarks ...................................... Councilmember Kathy Lambert
13. Thanks and next steps ............................. Director John Taylor
Zoom meetings – housekeeping

- Everyone starts with permission to use video and audio.
- Chat with everyone or a specific individual.
- We can hear you. *Mute your microphone please.*
- We can see you. *Turn off your video if you don’t want to be seen.*
- Facilitator/Host can control all functions.
- Be succinct and clear. Use an appropriate volume.

Technology can be challenging and we are all trying our best. 
Listen to Aretha: R-E-S-P-E-C-T
**Zoom meetings – functions**

Please leave your *audio muted* and *video off* (both indicated by a red slash).

Click to open the **Participants** box. This will allow you to give nonverbal feedback.

Click to open the **Chat** box. This will allow you to chat with Hosts and Participants.

- Raise hand
- Yes
- No
- Go slower
- Go faster

To: Everyone

Type message here...
Questions?

Raise Hand  Chat
Councilmember
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King County Elections

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Director
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Follow us @KCElections
Presidential election preview

• **October 14** – Ballots and voters’ pamphlets are mailed

• **October 26** – Deadline to register or update information online or by mail for this election

• **November 3** – **Election Day!** Ballots must be postmarked by today or returned to a ballot drop box
  - Voters may register or update their information in person at a Vote Center until 8 p.m.
  - Ballot drop boxes close at 8 p.m. sharp

• **November 24** – Election certification
Hot Topics

- COVID-19 service changes
- United States Postal Service
- Ballot drop boxes
- Vote Centers
What you can do

• Make sure your registration is up to date – votewa.gov

• Call us at 206-296-VOTE or go online if you don’t see your ballot by October 19

• Vote early!

• Help your friends and family make a plan to vote
Questions?
John Wilson
King County Assessor

206-296-7300
assessor.info@kingcounty.gov
We are still available to serve you!

- To access virtual services, you can email the Assessor’s Office at **assessor.info@kingcounty.gov**, call 206-296-7300, or visit **www.kingcounty.gov/depts/assessor**.

- You can apply online for property tax exemptions at **taxrelief.kingcounty.gov**, email **Exemptions.Assessments@kingcounty.gov**, or call 206-296-3920.

- If you have a complex issue that requires a meeting with our staff, call or email to set up an appointment.

- For property tax payment changes, please visit our Finance and Business Operations website: **https://kingcounty.gov/depts/finance-business-operations/treasury/property-tax.aspx**
Residential home values have not been significantly impacted by COVID-19 to date.

(Commercial properties are a different story)

• Overall, home values and sale prices have been relatively flat compared to last year.

• As always, values vary from city to city and neighborhood to neighborhood.

• One significant factor in residential home values in King County is the increase in values in Seattle suburbs, especially in the south end.

• While housing values have remained relatively steady so far, some commercial sectors have had their values severely impacted. These changes in value will be reflected in the 2021 assessed value for taxes payable in 2022.
Eligibility for the Senior Property Tax Reduction Program has been expanded, and you can apply online

• The annual household income limit is now $58,423 including Social Security and other sources.

• Born in 1958 or earlier, or disabled and unable to work in 2019 or earlier

• Own the residence as of 12/31/2019. Occupy as a primary residence 9 months each year

Go to TaxRelief.KingCounty.Gov to apply online
Let us know if the value of your commercial property was affected by COVID-19 restrictions

- Housing values have remained steady
- Some commercial sectors have had their values significantly hammered by being temporarily closed or their operations constrained.
- Changes in value caused by COVID will be reflected in the 2021 assessed value for taxes payable in 2022.
- To help us accurately capture the effects COVID: Commercial taxpayers can report COVID impacts at www.kingcounty.gov/COVID-value-review
Questions?
King County Sheriff’s Office
North Precinct

Major John C. McSwain
North Precinct Commander
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North Precinct goals


• Detective and patrol staff continue to work closely with Crime Analysis to develop usable statistics that direct resources to crime issues in our jurisdiction.

• Train and encourage our CID, SET, and Precinct staff to respond to requests for services within 24 hours if non-emergent.

• Continue to respond to traffic complaints, especially in high traffic areas around schools, and identified problem areas. Also conduct a monthly review of accident data with an eye to more focused enforcement.

• Precinct Command Staff continued to work monthly, with regional entities, to plan and prepare for large-scale events that could potentially involve North Precinct unincorporated areas.

• Precinct and Sheriff’s Office Command Staff continue to collaborate with community members on policing priorities, partnering with outreach teams, addressing racial inequities and improving quality of life in our King County communities.
KCSO North Precinct/Bear Creek/Sammamish area
## Crime stats for B Sector

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Community partner updates
Public Health – Seattle and King County

Julie Horowitz
Assistant Division Director
Environmental Health
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COVID-19 Information

- Cough
- Sore throat
- Fever
- Muscle pain
- Chills
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- New loss of taste or smell

[cdc.gov/coronavirus]
COVID-19 Testing

Get tested as soon as you feel symptoms

King County free testing sites:


206-477-3977 (language line available)
Protecting yourself and others

- Wear masks
- Social distancing
- Stay home
- Keep gatherings small
Current trends and data

King County’s COVID-19 data dashboards

The daily summary dashboard can be searched by geography
Additional resources and COVID-19 questions

Subscribe to alerts on Public Health’s website:  www.kingcounty.gov/covid

Medical questions related to COVID 19: Call 206-477-3977 between 8 am and 7 pm

Non-medical questions about COVID-19, including compliance and business issues:  King County COVID-19 Business and Community Information Line (Mon.-Fri., 8:30 am - 4:30 pm) 206-296-1608 or submit a written inquiry or report online at https://blue.kingcounty.gov/about/contact
Part-Time WIC/First Steps Sites

Public Health Centers

- WIC & First Steps - all locations except Navos & Walk-In Enrollment Locations
- Nurse Family Partnership – county-wide
- Dental - Columbia, Downtown, Eastgate, North Meridian (separate Lake City location), and Renton
- Family Planning - Auburn, Eastgate, Federal Way, and Kent
- Primary Care - Downtown, Eastgate, and Navos
- Walk-In Enrollment Locations - Assistance with health insurance, basic food, Orca Lift, etc.
Questions?
Budget at a Glance

$12.4 BILLION PROPOSED FOR 2021-2022
15,000+ EMPLOYEES
60+ PROGRAMS, BOTH REGIONAL AND LOCAL
SERVING 2.2 MILLION RESIDENTS (12TH LARGEST COUNTY IN THE U.S.)
Where does our funding go?

- **Metro Transit**: 17.3%
- **DCHS**: 15.6%
- **Wastewater**: 13.5%
- **Public Health**: 6.6%
- **Parks**: 4.5%
- **Solid Waste**: 3.7%
- **Other DNRP**: 3.7%
- **DCS**: 15.6%
- **Executive Services**: 5.5%
- **Human Resources**: 6.3%
- **Roads and Permitting**: 2.6%
- **KC Information Technology**: 3.3%
- **All Other**: 5.5%

Based on 2021-2022 Proposed Budget
State law and the King County Charter impose restrictions on the uses of many revenues.

For example, revenues collected from solid waste disposal charges must be used for solid waste programs and cannot be diverted to parks or human services.

King County’s finances are organized into about 140 different funds, each with its own revenue sources and expenditures.

The only truly flexible source of funds is the General Fund. General Fund revenues are severely limited by State law. The State and cities have much more revenue flexibility than counties.
Leading Economic Indicators – 2000-2020: Largest single-month change ever in March but some parts of the economy have started to bounce back.

King County residents filed 458,474 new unemployment claims from March 1 – August 1;
- July countywide unemployment rate was 8.3%;
- July statewide unemployment rate was 10.2%
August Revenue Forecast

Decline in taxable sales from the March 1 forecast:

2020: -15.8%
2021: -14.8%
2022: -12.4%

Programs that are particularly impacted are those funded by the General Fund, Transit, Mental Illness and Drug Dependency (MIDD), rental car sales tax, and the lodging tax.
2021-2022 Budget

2021-2022 budget discussions will be dominated by three issues:

1. COVID-19 response (Public Health, homeless shelter deintensification, transit, etc.)
2. Revenue consequences of the recession caused by COVID-19
3. Anti-racism agenda
COVID-19 Response

• Activities in 2020 are paid for with federal and state funds:
  ➢ Public Health testing, outreach, contact tracing, etc.
  ➢ Homeless shelter deintensification
  ➢ Isolation and quarantine facilities
  ➢ Grants for food assistance, rental assistance, small business support, etc.

• Federal funding ends as of December 30, 2020; Congress is gridlocked on a new bill

• If no federal or state funds are provided, King County’s COVID-19 response will be dramatically reduced in January

• Executive Constantine’s Proposed Budget includes short-term funding to buy time for federal action in January
Budget Process

April – June
Agencies develop budget proposals
Updated forecast in May

Late Sept.
Executive Proposed Budget transmitted to King County Council

Nov
King County Council adopts 2021-2022 Budget

July – Sept.
Executive reviews agency proposals and develops Executive Proposed Budget
Updated forecast in August

Oct
King County Council holds public hearings
How you can get involved

Agency Proposed
- Community and advisory groups

Council Adopted
- Call your Councilmember
- Attend a community meeting
Questions?
Local Services updates

John Taylor
Department Director
Assistance and grants

• COVID-19 small business technical assistance

• $5000 grants to help small business that have been impacted by COVID-19 (Round 2 closed)

• 2021 $5,000 Community Service Area Grants until Nov. 16

• Face covering and hand sanitizer distribution events every Thurs through December (Thursday, Oct. 8: 10am-12:30pm at Cottage Lake Park parking area, 18831 N.E. Woodinville-Duvall Road, Woodinville)

• Virtual meetings

• Reach out to CSA Liaison Marissa Alegria for support or questions
A community needs list...

- Includes service, program, and capital improvement projects
- Supports the community’s 20-year vision
- Is developed with community
- Clearly states whether the county can implement a project (and when)

- Will be used to inform budget development

https://www.publicinput.com/bearcreek
Road Services Division

Rose LeSmith
Engineering Section Manager

Contact Us!
24/7 Road Helpline – 206-477-8100 | 800-527-6237 | maint.roads@kingcounty.gov | @kcroads
Bear Creek Sammamish unincorporated area

- **24 bridges** (13% of total bridges)
- **244 miles** of unincorporated roads (16% of total roads)
- **1 maintenance shop**
- **29 capital projects**
Current capital projects
Bear Creek Sammamish

4 Roadway and roadside
1 Bridge
14 Traffic control and road safety
10 Drainage

Maintenance activities respond to critical safety issues, and customer service requests (ongoing, year-round) including:

- Pothole patching
- Vegetation management
- Traffic sign repair/replacement
- Maintaining road shoulders
- Speed calming
- Repairing guardrail
- Clearing blocked drainage assets
- Removing debris

In July, we completed emergency repair of a slide-prone area on NE Novelty Hill Road, between 243rd Ave NE and West Snoqualmie Valley Road NE. We repaired an unstable hillside that caused temporary closure of the road earlier this year.

Repaved and installed new mobility ramps at Novelty Hill Road and Redmond Ridge in July 2020.

Contact Us!
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Permitting
Mark Rowe
What’s New in Permitting?

• 90% of our permits are available online through on MyBuildingPermit.com

• The remaining 10% of permits can be submitted online by emailing permitcenter.DPER@kingcounty.gov
Online permits – MyBuildingPermit.com

• Adult Family Home Inspections
• Boundary Line Adjustments
• Code Interpretations
• Critical Areas Designation
• Damage Inspection Report
• Fire & Fuel Tank Permits, all types
• Legal Lot Determination
• Mechanical Permits
• Residential Permits, all types
• Shoreline Exemption
• Signs
• Special Events
• Zoning and Historical Certification
Office of Emergency Management
Department of Executive Services

Michelle Chatterton
Public Information Officer
Michelle.Chatterton@kingcounty.gov
Personal preparedness: Who depends on you?

Know your hazard
• What are you at risk for? www.hazardready.org
• Note: they may be different depending where you spend your time

Preparedness is key
• Have a kit
  o Minimum: Food, water, shelter
  o Think about work, transportation, home
  o Customize! Think about pets, medications, baby items, communications, comfort items, medical equipment!
  o To do! Watch Kit on Shoestring Budget (YouTube video)
• Create a plan
  o Consider how to communicate with loved ones
  o Who will support your family? Who can you support?
• Flood season and winter weather are coming up!

Did you know??
• You should have 1 gallon of water per person
• The food in your kit should have a long shelf life and match your dietary needs
• You should care a few small cash bills with you.
Be informed and stay safe with ALERT King County

Timely messages about:
- Emergency situations relevant to your specific area
- Threats to public safety and health
- Significant impacts to major infrastructure

www.kingcounty.gov/alert

TEXT
"ALERTKC"
To 99411

TO SIGN UP
Need more information?

• Get up-to-date information during an emergency www.kcemergency.com

• Explore King County specific information www.kingcounty.gov/prepare

• Want winter weather preparedness information: www.takewinterbystorm.org

• Need information on how to get prepared? www.makeitthrough.org
Natural Resources and Parks

Mo McBroom
Deputy Director
Environmental plans

King County
2020
Strategic Climate Action Plan

- Functioning river flood plains
- Resilient coast lines
- Cleaner, controlled storm water runoff
- Better fish habitat
- Reduced toxics & fecal pathogens
- Healthy forests and more green spaces
Northeast Recycling and Transfer Station Project

Parks Projects
- Sammamish River Trail
- Gold Creek Park
Programs and Services

- Litter and illegal dumping program
  kingcounty.gov/report-dumping

- Noxious weeds app
  kingcounty.gov/noxious-weeds

- Managing Stormwater
  kingcounty.gov/stormwater

- Local food finder
  farmkingcounty.org/local-food-finder

- Changes to King County Park Services
  kingcountyparks.org/covid
Questions & comments
Closing remarks
Councilmember Kathy Lambert
District 3

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Survey

• Did you find this meeting valuable?
• Have you been to a Local Services Town Hall before?
• Were your questions answered?
Thank you for joining us tonight!

Email: ASKLocalServices@kingcounty.gov
https://kingcounty.gov/local-services