

RENTON CITY COUNCIL  
Regular Meeting

March 3, 2008  
Monday, 7 p.m.

Council Chambers  
Renton City Hall

MINUTES

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Denis Law called the meeting of the Renton City Council to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**ROLL CALL OF COUNCILMEMBERS**

MARCIE PALMER, Council President; RANDY CORMAN; GREG TAYLOR; RICH ZWICKER; TERRI BRIERE; DON PERSSON. MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCILMEMBER KING PARKER. CARRIED.

**CITY STAFF IN ATTENDANCE**

DENIS LAW, Mayor; LAWRENCE J. WARREN, City Attorney; BONNIE WALTON, City Clerk; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Public Works Administrator; ALEX PIETSCH, Community and Economic Development Administrator; SUZANNE DALE ESTEY, Economic Development Director; MARTY WINE, Assistant CAO; FIRE CHIEF/EMERGENCY SERVICES ADMINISTRATOR I. DAVID DANIELS, DEPUTY CHIEF CHUCK DUFFY, DEPUTY CHIEF ROBERT VAN HORNE, DEPUTY CHIEF MARK PETERSON, and EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR DEBORAH NEEDHAM, Fire Department; CHIEF KEVIN MILOSEVICH, DEPUTY CHIEF TIM TROXEL, and COMMANDER KENT CURRY, Police Department.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION**  
Fire: Employee Promotions

Fire Chief/Emergency Services Administrator Daniels reported that a three-county regional earthquake exercise, known as Sound Shake '08, will occur on March 5. Chief Daniels then announced the following Fire and Emergency Services Department employee promotions:

- Firefighter Gary Harsh, promoted to Lieutenant;
- Firefighter Doug McDonald, promoted to Lieutenant;
- Firefighter Steve Rawson, promoted to Lieutenant;
- Lieutenant Rick Marshall, promoted to Captain;
- Lieutenant John Hettick, promoted to Captain; and
- Captain Bill Flora, promoted to Battalion Chief.

Each promoted employee was presented with a badge of the position by family members. Additionally, Chief Daniels welcomed 37 new members to the Fire and Emergency Services Department from Fire District #40, and recognized those new members who were present in the audience.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

Assistant CAO Wine reviewed a written administrative report summarizing the City's recent progress towards goals and work programs adopted as part of its business plan for 2008 and beyond. Items noted included:

- \* Renton and other South King County cities are presenting a Pre-Application Workshop for non-profit agencies interested in applying for 2009-2010 Human Services funding on March 12.
- \* The Parks Division will be contracting for tree removal along street frontage and the new Seahawks Headquarters and Training Facility near Ripley Lane and Lake Washington Blvd. Approximately 30 cottonwood trees of various sizes will be removed that are either dead or in poor condition. Additional trees will be pruned over the roadway to remove dead branches and improve vehicle safety.

- \* Welcome to approximately 16,000 new residents to the City of Renton effective March 1, as part of the Benson Hill Communities Annexation. An open house will be held on March 8, which is an opportunity to learn more about the services and resources offered by the City.

**AUDIENCE COMMENT**

Citizen Comment: Hardy - Veterans Memorial Park Dedication Tile

Dave C. Hardy (King County) stated that his father, Lloyd Carter Hardy, passed away recently, and he inquired as to how to induct his father's name on the memorial at Renton's Veterans Memorial Park. Councilmember Corman indicated that any veteran is eligible, and information regarding the application process is available on the City's website.

Citizen Comment: Mapelli - Leadership Eastside Recruitment

Stephanie D. Mapelli, representing Leadership Eastside (Kirkland), stated that the organization is dedicated to building community leaders who enrich the Eastside region. She described the three-year community leader development program, noting that some of the class members live in Renton. Ms. Mapelli announced that Leadership Eastside is recruiting candidates for the next class, which can include Renton staff members.

Citizen Comment: Gevers - Highlands Area Walkway Improvements

Bob Gevers (Renton) said he attended both the Highlands Task Force and City Walkway Plan meetings last week, and was surprised that the walkway study did not include improvements to existing sidewalks. He indicated that sidewalk improvements were given a high priority at the Highlands Task Force meeting, and requested that the walkway study include fixing the existing sidewalks in the Highlands area. Councilmember Briere indicated that the Highlands Task Force will be reviewing the matter.

Citizen Comment: Kumar - Parking, Loading & Driveway Regulations

Bimal Kumar (Renton) questioned whether the City Code section concerning parking, loading and driveway regulations was changed during the period of 6/16/2006 to 10/3/2006. Mayor Law stated that staff will review the matter.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Items on the consent agenda are adopted by one motion which follows the listing.

Council Meeting Minutes of 2/25/2008

Approval of Council meeting minutes of 2/25/2008. Council concur.

CAG: 08-012, 2008 Sanitary Sewer Repairs, Shoreline Construction

City Clerk reported bid opening on 2/26/2008 for CAG-08-012, 2008 Sanitary Sewer Repairs; 15 bids; engineer's estimate \$701,082,95; and submitted staff recommendation to award the contract to the low bidder, Shoreline Construction Co., in the amount of \$619,308.86. Council concur.

Community Services: Urban & Community Forestry Development Plan, Worthy and Associates

Community Services Department recommended approval of a contract in the amount of \$119,654 with Worthy and Associates, LLC for the development of an Urban and Community Forestry Development Plan. Refer to Finance Committee.

Development Services: Leo Short Plat, ROW Dedication, NE 22nd St, SHP-07-102

Development Services Division recommended acceptance of a deed of dedication for additional right-of-way along NE 22nd St. and Edmonds Ave. NE to fulfill a requirement of the Leo Short Plat. Council concur.

EDNSP: Farmers Market Funding, Budget Amend

Economic Development, Neighborhoods and Strategic Planning Department recommended approval to accept the transfer of \$46,122.19 from the Renton Chamber of Commerce into the Farmers Market sub-fund account, and to amend the 2008 Budget by creating a new fund for the Farmers Market revenues and expenses. Council concur. (See page 69 for ordinance.)

Budget: 2008 Amendment,  
Benson Hill Communities  
Annexation

Finance and Information Services Department recommended approval to amend the 2008 Budget in the amount of \$1,189,368 to provide for additional costs related to serving the Benson Hill Communities Annexation area. Council concur. (See page 69 for ordinance.)

Finance: Carry Forward  
Ordinance

Finance and Information Services Department requested approval of the carry forward ordinance in the amount of \$31,097,336, which increases the 2008 Budget by carrying forward funds from 2007 for projects that were not completed in 2007. Council concur. (See page 70 for ordinance.)

Legal: Parking Sign  
Regulations

Legal Division recommended approval to clarify language in City Code Section 10-10-6, Signs And/Or Markings Required, to require parking signs on City streets only for those regulations that are unique to a particular street. Council concur. (See page 70 for ordinance.)

Airport: T-Hangar Unit & Tie-  
Down Space Waiting List Fees

Transportation Systems Division recommended approval of the following at the airport: a \$100 City T-Hangar unit and hangar waiting list fee, and a \$25 City tie-down space waiting list fee. Council concur. (See page 69 for resolution.)

CAG: 07-044, Phase II  
Municipal Stormwater Permit  
Appeal, Interlocal Agreement

Utility Systems Division recommended approval of an amendment to CAG-07-044, Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit appeal agreement with a coalition of government entities to fund legal services, which increases the City's share of the legal services by up to \$25,000. Council concur.

MOVED BY PALMER, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**  
**Planning & Development**  
**Committee**

Planning: Development  
Regulations (Title IV) Docket  
Review

Planning and Development Committee Vice Chair Zwicker presented a report regarding the City Code Title IV (Development Regulations) docket. The Committee recommended that the public hearing set for 3/10/2008 on the proposed helipad and commercial office residential zoning text amendments be cancelled. The hearing on the helipad amendments will be re-set at a later date following completion of an appeal on the issue. The hearing on the commercial office residential amendments will be re-set in combination with other Title IV docket items at a later date. MOVED BY ZWICKER, SECONDED BY TAYLOR, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

**Utilities Committee**

Latecomer Agreement: Conner  
Homes, Puget Colony  
Development, LA-07-002

Utilities Committee Chair Zwicker presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to grant preliminary approval of the request for a latecomer agreement from Conner Homes Company, for a period of two years. The application for a latecomer agreement was submitted to recover the \$164,905.79 estimated cost for a sewer main extension along SE 2nd Pl. and SE 2nd St. to serve the proposed Puget Colony Short Plats 1 and 2 (SHP-06-146 and SHP-06-147).

The Committee further recommended that Council authorize the preliminary assessment roll to be forwarded to the City Clerk, who will notify the affected property owners. If no protests are received, after construction of the facilities and approval of the final costs, staff shall present the latecomer agreement for final approval by Council and authorize preparation of the final assessment roll and latecomer agreement. In the event there is a protest for valid cause, a public hearing will be held to resolve any issues prior to proceeding with this

matter. MOVED BY ZWICKER, SECONDED BY TAYLOR, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Latecomer Agreement:  
McDowell Estates, LA-07-001

Utilities Committee Chair Zwicker presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to grant preliminary approval of the request for a latecomer agreement from McDowell Estates, LLC, for a period of two years. The application for a latecomer agreement was submitted to recover the \$93,000 estimated cost for a sewer main extension along 148th Ave. SE and NE 26th St. to serve a proposed King County development.

The Committee further recommended that Council authorize the preliminary assessment roll to be forwarded to the City Clerk, who will notify the affected property owners. If no protests are received, after construction of the facilities and approval of the final costs, staff shall present the latecomer agreement for final approval by Council and authorize preparation of the final assessment roll and latecomer agreement. In the event there is a protest for valid cause, a public hearing will be held to resolve any issues prior to proceeding with this matter. MOVED BY ZWICKER, SECONDED BY TAYLOR, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

**Community Services Committee**

Community Services: Flower Program (2008-2010), Kaleidoscope Services

Community Services Committee Chair Briere presented a report regarding the 2008-2010 flower program. The Committee recommended concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve the agreement with Kaleidoscope Services in the amount of \$50,235.57 to provide flower planting and maintenance for hanging flower baskets, pots, planters and flower beds located at various locations around Renton. The Committee further recommended that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement for the flower program. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Appointment: Airport Advisory Committee

Community Services Committee Chair Briere presented a report recommending concurrence in Mayor Law's appointment of Michael Krohn to the Airport Advisory Committee (Highlands neighborhood alternate position) for an unexpired term expiring on 5/7/2010. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES**

**Resolution #3934**

Airport: T-Hangar Unit & Tie-Down Space Waiting List Fees

The following resolution was presented for reading and adoption:

A resolution was read instituting a fee for placing a name on the T-hangar waiting list and/or the tie-down waiting list at the Renton Municipal Airport. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

The following ordinances were presented for first reading and referred to the Council meeting of 3/10/2008 for second and final reading:

EDNSP: Farmers Market Funding, Budget Amend

An ordinance was read amending the City of Renton 2008 Budget as adopted by Ordinance 5325 creating a new fund for Farmers Market revenues and expenses and appropriating revenues and expenses in the net amount of \$46,492.19. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 3/10/2008. CARRIED.

Budget: 2008 Amendment,

An ordinance was read amending the City of Renton 2008 Budget as adopted

- Benson Hill Communities Annexation by Ordinance 5325, in the total amount of \$1,189,368, to provide for costs to serve the Benson Hill Communities Annexation area. **MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 3/10/2008. CARRIED.**
- Finance: Carry Forward Ordinance An ordinance was read amending the City of Renton 2008 Budget as adopted by Ordinance 5325, in the total amount of \$31,097,336, to carry forward to 2008 funds appropriated in 2007, but not expended in 2007. **MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 3/10/2008. CARRIED.**
- Legal: Parking Sign Regulations An ordinance was read amending Chapter 10, Parking Regulations, of Title X (Traffic), of City Code by amending Section 6, Signs And/Or Markings Required. **MOVED BY TAYLOR, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 3/10/2008. CARRIED.**
- The following ordinances were presented for second and final reading and adoption:
- Ordinance #5358**  
Legal: Criminal Trespass & Menacing An ordinance was read amending Chapter 18, Penal Code, of Title VI (Police Regulations) of City Code by repealing Sections 10, Criminal Trespass, and 12, Menacing. **MOVED BY TAYLOR, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.**
- Ordinance #5359**  
Development Services: Benson Hill Communities Annexation Vested Permits, King County An ordinance was read adopting, for the purposes of processing vested permits in Renton's Benson Hill Communities Annexation area, and to the extent that they apply, the King County codes, regulations, and fees. **MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.**
- ADJOURNMENT** **MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY TAYLOR, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 7:48 p.m.**

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Bonnie I. Walton, CMC, City Clerk

Recorder: Michele Neumann  
March 3, 2008