

RENTON CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

May 12, 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; KING PARKER; DON PERSSON.

**CITY STAFF IN
ATTENDANCE**

DENIS LAW, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; ZANETTA FONTES, Assistant City Attorney; BONNIE WALTON, City Clerk; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Public Works Administrator; SONJA MEJLAENDER, Community Relations and Event Coordinator; JUDGE TERRY JURADO, Municipal Court; JOE MCGUIRE, Municipal Court Services Director; PREETI SHRIDHAR, Communications Director; MARTY WINE, Assistant CAO; DEPUTY CHIEF MARK PETERSON, Fire Department; DEPUTY CHIEF TIM TROXEL and COMMANDER DAVID LEIBMAN, Police Department.

PROCLAMATION
Salvation Army Week - May
12 to 16, 2008

A proclamation by Mayor Law was read declaring May 12 to 16, 2008, to be "Salvation Army Week" in the City of Renton and encouraging all citizens to join in saluting the steadfast men and women who bind up the broken hearted and renew the heart of the community by their quiet service of compassion. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE PROCLAMATION. CARRIED.

Renton Salvation Army Captain Terry Masango accepted the proclamation. He thanked the community for its continued support of the Renton food bank, and invited everyone to the Renton Salvation Army fundraising dinner on June 26. In response to Councilmember Palmer's inquiry, Captain Masango stated that so far this year, the food bank has served 7,000 individuals as compared to 4,500 during the same timeframe last year.

**SPECIAL
PRESENTATIONS**
Municipal Court: 2007 Annual
Report

Municipal Court Judge Terry Jurado and Municipal Court Services Director Joe McGuire presented the 2007 annual report of the Renton Municipal Court. Mr. McGuire reported that over 200 people per day were screened at the security station, preventing numerous weapons from entering the court area. He stated that the court is preparing and training for the new Photo Enforcement Program which will start on June 1. Approximately 25 warning notices per day have been issued during the warning period that began on May 1.

Mr. McGuire reported that the expense for interpreters increases each year. The Renton Municipal Court joined a consortium of ten South King County courts in order to garner partial reimbursement in the form of state funding for interpreters used in court proceedings, and the funds will be divided based on the percentage of interpreter use in each court. He explained how the interpreter system works, noting that the courts are working together to achieve an improved efficient and cost effective process.

Reviewing the expenditures and revenues, Mr. McGuire stated that the court exceeded its budget by \$151,060, and the major cause of the overage was the public defense contract payment for increased filings. He pointed out that the

number of cases filed in 2007, a total of 17,000, was the highest in ten years.

Judge Jurado reported that the court is now using an official court seal that reflects the professionalism and permanence of the court. The Judge stressed that the court strives to maintain high standards of customer service and he is proud of the work of the court. Councilmember Parker noted that the Judge performs marriage ceremonies, and Councilmember Corman and Mayor Law extended compliments for the quality of the court report and for the court's efforts on the Photo Enforcement Program.

Community Services: Sister City Visit to Nishiwaki, Japan

Community Relations and Event Coordinator Mejlaender reported on the recent trip which City of Renton delegates took to visit Renton's Sister City, Nishiwaki, Japan. She named the 16 delegates, some of whom were present in the audience, and noted that all delegates paid for their own travel and personal expenses. Displaying photographs of the trip, Ms. Mejlaender described the various activities undertaken during the visit, as well as sites seen.

Ms. Mejlaender stated that the strength and vitality of long-term sister city relationships rest in the hands of citizen volunteers and participants. In 2009, Renton celebrates its 40-year relationship with Nishiwaki. Councilmember and delegate Corman said the trip produced a lifetime of memories for all the delegates, and he noted the graciousness of the Nishiwaki hosts. Mr. Corman also voiced his appreciation to Ms. Mejlaender for organizing the event.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Chief Administrative Officer Covington 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:

- * The Washington State Department of Transportation plans to repair portions of SR-900 on May 19. The work will result in lane closures but no total street closures.
- * The City of Renton, the American Red Cross, and Renton Technical College will hold a Business Continuity Workshop on May 20 to provide participants with tools to evaluate risks and pre-plan strategies for economically surviving emergency events.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Council Meeting Minutes of 5/5/2008

Approval of Council meeting minutes of 5/5/2008. Council concur.

CAG: 08-045, Earlington Sanitary Sewer Interceptor, RL Alia Company

City Clerk reported bid opening on 5/6/2008 for CAG-08-045, Earlington Sanitary Sewer Interceptor; seven bids; engineer's estimate \$783,703.46; and submitted staff recommendation to award the contract to low bidder, R.L. Alia Company, in the amount of \$737,894.19. Council concur.

Plat: Ford-Niemi, Shattuck Ave S, PP-08-001

Hearing Examiner recommended approval, with conditions, of the Ford-Niemi Preliminary Plat; nine lots on 94,960 square feet located at 1917 and 1925 Shattuck Ave. S. Council concur.

Human Resources: Neighborhood Program Assistant Salary Grade

Human Resources and Risk Management Department recommended approval of salary grade a16 for the Neighborhood Program Assistant position, effective 4/1/2008. Council concur.

Human Resources: 2008 Group Health Cooperative

Human Resources and Risk Management Department recommended approval of the 2008 Group Health Cooperative medical coverage contracts for LEOFF I

Medical Coverage Contracts Retirees and all active employees. Council concur.

Budget: 2008 Amendment, Principal Financial & Administrative Analyst, Maintenance Shops Secretary Public Works Department recommended approval to amend the 2008 Budget related to increasing the Principal Financial and Administrative Analyst position from a .75 FTE to a 1.0 FTE, and decreasing the Maintenance Shops Secretary I position from a 1.0 FTE to a .50 FTE. Approval was also sought to fill the Principal Financial and Administrative Analyst position at Step D of the salary range. Refer to Finance Committee.

Public Works: Cooperative Purchasing Agreement, King County Metro Public Works Department recommended approval of a cooperative purchasing agreement with King County Metro in order to expedite the purchase of capital items. Council concur. (See page 162 for resolution.)

Utility: Sewer Service Connection Outside City Limits, City Code Amend Utility Systems Division recommended approval to limit new connections to the City's sewer service for properties outside Renton's city limits by excluding connection for properties desiring to develop through further subdivision of their land. Refer to Utilities Committee.

Utility: SR-167 Water Line Protection Design, Bilfinger/Tri State Joint Venture Utility Systems Division recommended approval of an agreement in the amount of \$42,547.40 with Bilfinger/Tri State Joint Venture for the design for the protection of an existing City water line located under SR-167. Council concur.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
Transportation (Aviation) Committee

Airport: 820 Building Demolition Design, WHPacific

Transportation (Aviation) Committee Chair Corman presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve the contract with WHPacific, Inc., in the amount of \$106,275, for engineering and design services to demolish the 820 Building at the airport, previously known as the Boeing 514 Building. The Committee further recommended that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the contract. MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Finance Committee

Finance: Vouchers

Finance Committee Chair Persson presented a report recommending approval of Claim Vouchers 271785 - 272312 and three wire transfers totaling \$3,585,814.27; and approval of 139 Payroll Vouchers, one wire transfer, and 767 direct deposits totaling \$2,406,557.82. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Finance: Utility Bill Adjustment, Community Services Department

Finance Committee Chair Persson presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to waive the past due water bill in the amount of \$16,307.72 for the water meter at Liberty Park, located at 1414 Houser Way N. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Budget: 2008 Amendment, Mechanic Assistant Position

Finance Committee Chair Persson presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve an ordinance amending the 2008 Budget for Fund 501, Equipment Rental, in the amount of \$37,077 and adding the previously approved Street Maintenance Manager position to the 2008 Budget index of positions. The Finance Committee also recommended that Council approve hiring a Mechanic Assistant position grade a09 effective 7/1/2008, to assist with the maintenance of the vehicle fleet.

The Committee further recommended that the ordinance regarding the 2008 Budget amendment be presented for first reading. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED. (See page 162 for ordinance.)

CAG: 08-039, Community Center Gym Floor Replacement, Greater Seattle Floors

Finance Committee Chair Persson presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to award the contract for the Renton Community Center Gym Floor Replacement Project to the sole bidder, Greater Seattle Floors, in the amount of \$154,498.78. The Committee further recommended that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the contract. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Resolution #3948

Public Works: Cooperative Purchasing Agreement, King County Metro

A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an interlocal cooperative purchasing agreement with King County Metro. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

The following ordinance was presented for first reading and referred to the Council meeting of 5/19/2008 for second and final reading:

Budget: 2008 Amendment, Mechanic Assistant Position

An ordinance was read amending the 2008 Budget by allocating contract payments from Fire District #40 to Fund 501, Equipment Rental, and authorizing the addition of a Mechanic Assistant position; and adding a position for a Street Maintenance Manager to the 2008 Budget index of positions. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 5/19/2008. CARRIED.

The following ordinance was presented for second and final reading and adoption:

Ordinance #5381

Planning: Development Regulations (Title IV) Docket Review (Monopole I Wireless Facilities)

An ordinance was read amending Chapter 2, Zoning Districts - Uses and Standards, of Title IV (Development Regulations) of City Code to amend the regulations regarding wireless facilities. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY TAYLOR, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 7:56 p.m.

Bonnie I. Walton, CMC, City Clerk

Recorder: Michele Neumann
May 12, 2008