

RENTON CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

March 19, 2007
Monday, 7 p.m.

Council Chambers
Renton City Hall

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

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

**ROLL CALL OF
COUNCILMEMBERS**

TONI NELSON, Council President; DAN CLAWSON; DENIS LAW; TERRI BRIERE; MARCI PALMER; DON PERSSON; RANDY CORMAN.

**CITY STAFF IN
ATTENDANCE**

KATHY KEOLKER, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; ZANETTA FONTES, Assistant City Attorney; BONNIE WALTON, City Clerk; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator; TERRY HIGASHIYAMA, Community Services Administrator; ALEX PIETSCH, Economic Development Administrator; JUDGE TERRY JURADO, Municipal Court; JOE MCGUIRE, Municipal Court Services Director; MARTY WINE, Assistant CAO; PREETI SHRIDHAR, Communications Director; CHIEF I. DAVID DANIELS, DEPUTY CHIEF CHUCK DUFFY and DEPUTY CHIEF/FIRE MARSHAL LARRY RUDE, Fire Department; CHIEF KEVIN MILOSEVICH and COMMANDER FLOYD ELDRIDGE, Police Department.

**SPECIAL
PRESENTATIONS**

Municipal Court: 2006 Annual
Report

Municipal Court Judge Jurado and Municipal Court Services Director McGuire presented the 2006 annual report of the Renton Municipal Court. Judge Jurado reported that the court strives to provide equal, fair, and speedy justice to all that come before it in an efficient and effective manner. Mr. McGuire reviewed the changes in the court, including:

- Implementation of court security, which requires court users to pass through a metal detector and have bags examined for weapons and prohibited items; and
- Improvements to the jury management system, which enables more people to commit to jury service as a significantly smaller commitment is needed from each potential juror.

Looking ahead, Mr. McGuire stated that the court anticipates the implementation of a traffic safety camera program, whereby cameras will monitor selected intersections to record video of vehicles running red lights. He explained that tickets will be issued to registered owners of the vehicles and be processed like parking infractions. Judge Jurado indicated that the impact of the traffic safety camera program on the court is unclear at this time; however, he noted that the program could increase the number of hours the court spends on traffic infractions. Concluding, Mr. McGuire reviewed the 2006 expenditures, revenues, and case load of the court, noting that expenditures were 5.2 percent under budget.

Fire: Renton Heart Month
Campaign

Fire Chief Daniels reported on the activities that occurred during the February 2007 Renton Heart Month campaign, the goals for which included: kicking off Renton's participation in the SPHER (Supporting Public Health with Emergency Responders) project; increasing awareness of the importance of heart health as an overall community risk reduction strategy; and increasing the Fire Department's interaction with the community.

Chief Daniels stated that 1,759 citizens were screened for high blood pressure

and diabetes, some of whom were discovered to be at risk and may not have known about their conditions without this campaign. Additionally, 114 citizens registered at the Community Center to participate in heart healthy activities. He indicated that normally, the Fire Department provides CPR and automatic external defibrillator training for approximately 200 citizens annually, but during the month of February alone, 200 citizens were trained.

Chief Daniels reported that the Fire Department conducted the campaign at 108 locations across the City, which included conducting a special training course for the Renton School District and conducting screenings at various businesses. He pointed out that the Community Services, Finance and Information Systems, and Administrative, Judicial and Legal Services Departments were also involved with the campaign. In conclusion, Chief Daniels stated that the Renton Heart Month campaign was a success.

Fire: Employee Recognition and Promotion

Fire Chief Daniels announced that the following Fire Department employees were each selected as Member of the Quarter in 2006: Firefighter Christian Moore, Firefighter Brett Bigger, and Firefighter Doug McDonald. Additionally, Firefighter Tom Curtis, Plans Reviewer/Inspector Corey Thomas, and Lieutenant Brian McGee were each selected as Member of the Year in 2006. Finally, Chief Daniels announced that Camille Walls was promoted to Lead Fire Inspector.

PUBLIC HEARING

Fire: King County Medic One/Emergency Medical Services Levy, 2008-2013

This being the date set and proper notices having been posted and published in accordance with local and State laws, Mayor Keolker opened the public hearing to consider supporting the King County Medic One/Emergency Medical Services levy for 2008-2013. The existing levy expires at the end of 2007, and King County is seeking voter authorization to renew the six-year levy in the November 2007 General Election. The proposed levy will raise the rate from \$.25 to \$.30 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation.

Public comment was invited.

Craig Soucy, Renton Firefighters Local 864 President, 6716 14th Ave. NW, Seattle, 98117, speaking on behalf of the Renton Firefighters Local 864, encouraged Council's support of the levy. He noted that the levy ties into Renton's provision of emergency medical services.

There being no further public comment, it was **MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. CARRIED.** (See page 99 for resolution.)

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 2007 and beyond. Items noted included:

- * The Seattle Sonics and Storm are making their commitment to the Renton community known. On March 16, NBA All-Star Ray Allen teamed up with vitaminwater and QFC to present a \$40,000 donation to Boys & Girls Club of King County, \$10,000 of which went to the Renton Skyway Boys & Girls Club. On March 22, Sonics forward Rashard Lewis will make an appearance at the Highlands Community Center to host a "NeighborHoops" basketball clinic.
- * The Flashlight Egg Hunt occurs on March 30 at Liberty Park, and the 11th Annual Hip Hoppin' Egg Hunt & Carnival occurs on March 31 at the

Renton Community Center.

AUDIENCE COMMENT

Citizen Comment: Smith -
Pedestrian Safety, Duvall Ave
NE/NE 12th St Crosswalk

Adrienne Anderson Smith, 11621 SE 90th St., Newcastle, 98056, expressed concern for the safety of pedestrians when using the crosswalk near Hazen High School on Duvall Ave. NE, where NE 12th St. and SE 112th St. meet. Pointing out that the crosswalk needs to be better marked, she suggested the installation of walk lights similar to the ones used at the Renton Transit Center.

Mayor Keolker asked Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator Zimmerman to review the situation.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the consent agenda are adopted by one motion which follows the listing. At the request of Councilmembers, items 7.a. and 7.j. were removed for separate consideration.

CAG: 06-047, Carco Theatre
Roof Replacement, Wright
Roofing

Community Services Department submitted CAG-06-047, Carco Theatre Roof Replacement; and requested approval of the project, commencement of 60-day lien period, and release of retained amount of \$4,661.45 to Wright Roofing, Inc., contractor, if all required releases are obtained. Council concur.

EDNSP: 2007 Neighborhood
Program Grants, Budget
Amend

Economic Development, Neighborhoods and Strategic Planning Department reported submission of grant applications for the 2007 Neighborhood Grant Program and recommended the following: funding eight projects and two newsletters totaling \$75,231, conducting a second round of funding with a deadline of September 2007, and authorizing an additional \$33,000 from the CIP (Fund 316) fund balance for a total 2007 budget of \$83,000. Refer to Community Services Committee.

Finance: Springbrook
Wetlands Bank Fund Creation,
Park Memorial Fund Change

Finance and Information Services Department recommended creating new Fund 135, Springbrook Wetlands Bank, and changing Fund 131, Park Memorial, to an internal fund. Refer to Finance Committee.

Fire: Station #14, King County
Emergency Medical Services
Lease

Fire Department recommended approval of a lease with King County in the amount of \$820 per month plus escalation clause, to continue to lease space at Fire Station #14 to house a paramedic unit. Council concur. (See page 99 for resolution.)

Plat: Langley Meadows,
Hoquiam Ave NE, PP-06-087

Hearing Examiner recommended approval, with conditions, of the Langley Meadows Preliminary Plat; 70 single-family lots on 11.16 acres located east of Hoquiam Ave. NE and north of NE 6th St. Council concur.

Plat: Honeybrook Circle, NE
6th St, PP-06-143

Hearing Examiner recommended approval, with conditions, of the Honeybrook Circle Preliminary Plat; 14 single-family lots and one drainage tract on 2.5 acres located at 4900 NE 6th St. Council concur.

CAG: 06-092, 2006 Street
Overlay with Curb Ramps,
Western Asphalt

Transportation Systems Division submitted CAG-06-092, 2006 Street Overlay with Curb Ramps; and requested approval of the project, authorization for final pay estimate in the amount of \$4,181.52, commencement of 60-day lien period, and release of retained amount of \$50,677.26 to Western Asphalt, Inc., contractor, if all required releases are obtained. Council concur.

Public Works: Cedar River
Section 205 Flood Damage
Reduction 2007 Monitoring
Plan, Golder Associates

Utility Systems Division requested approval of an agreement in the amount of \$109,071.53 with Golder Associates, Inc. to implement the 2007 Monitoring Plan for the Cedar River Section 205 Flood Damage Reduction project. Council concur.

MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY LAW, COUNCIL APPROVE THE

CONSENT AGENDA AS AMENDED TO REMOVE ITEMS 7.a. AND 7.j. FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION. CARRIED.

Separate Consideration

Item 7.a.

Council Meeting Minutes of 3/12/2007

Councilmember Palmer noted a correction to the Council meeting minutes of March 12, 2007, as follows: Her comments on page 87, 11th paragraph, 2nd sentence; change the statement from "...does not want the arena in Renton" to "...does not want the arena on that site."

MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL APPROVE THE MINUTES OF 3/12/2007 AS CORRECTED. CARRIED.

Separate Consideration

Item 7.j.

Utility: Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit Appeal, Interlocal Agreement

Utility Systems Division recommended approval of an agreement with a coalition of government entities to fund the legal services associated with appealing the Western and Eastern Washington National Pollutant Discharge Elimination Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permits issued by the Washington State Department of Ecology. City's cost share is \$8,333.33.

Councilman Clawson requested that Councilmembers be kept apprised of this matter so as to make sure that the policies in this litigation are actually the policies of the Council. Assistant City Attorney Fontes assured that Council will be kept informed of the specifics, noting that the focus is being placed on regulations that go beyond the Council's vision.

MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 7.j. AS PRESENTED. CARRIED. (See later this page for resolution.)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Community Services

Committee

Appointment: Library Board

Community Services Committee Chair Corman presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve the appointment of Peter Hartley to the Library Board for an unexpired term expiring on 6/1/2010. MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Resolution #3864

Fire: King County Medic One/Emergency Medical Services Levy, 2008-2013

The following resolutions were presented for reading and adoption:

A resolution was read supporting the countywide 2008-2013 Medic One/Emergency Medical Services levy. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY LAW, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

Resolution #3865

Fire: Station #14, King County Emergency Medical Services Lease

A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to renew an interlocal cooperative agreement to lease space to King County Medical Services Division. MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

Resolution #3866

Utility: Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit Appeal, Interlocal Agreement

A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign an interlocal agreement regarding legal services, among the cities of Anacortes, Auburn, Bellevue, Bellingham, Bothell, Bremerton, Buckley, Burien, Burlington, Camas, Des Moines, Ellensburg, Everett, Federal Way, Fircrest, Kennewick, Kent, Longview, Marysville, Mount Vernon, Normandy Park, Orting, Port Angeles, Pullman, Puyallup, Renton, Richland, Sammamish, SeaTac, Sumner, University Place, Vancouver, and Kitsap County and any other Phase II permittees that might join this coalition of governmental entities (collectively, "coalition"). MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

The following ordinances were presented for second and final reading and adoption:

Ordinance #5267

Zoning: 2006 Annual Update of Zoning Book & Wall Map

An ordinance was read adopting the 2006 amendments to the zoning classifications maps of properties located within the City of Renton. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY LAW, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

Ordinance #5268

Budget: 2007 Amendments

An ordinance was read amending the City of Renton Fiscal Year annual 2007 Budget as adopted by Ordinance 5245, in the total amount of \$26,405,693. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY LAW, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 7:57 p.m.

Bonnie I. Walton, CMC, City Clerk

Recorder: Michele Neumann
March 19, 2007