

RENTON CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

April 13, 2009
Monday, 7 p.m.

Council Chambers
Renton City Hall

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL OF COUNCILMEMBERS

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

CITY STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

DENIS LAW, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; LAWRENCE J. WARREN, City Attorney; JASON SETH, Deputy City Clerk; ALEX PIETSCH, Community and Economic Development Administrator; MARTY WINE, Assistant CAO; LESLIE BETLACH, Parks Director; DEPUTY CHIEF ROBERT VAN HORNE, Fire Department; COMMANDER KATIE MCCLINCY, Police Department.

AUDIENCE COMMENT

Citizen Comment: Smith -
Speed Bumps in School Zones

Gregg Smith (Seattle) encouraged the enforcement of school zone speed limits through the implementation of speed bumps. He displayed photos of the street in front of Talbot Hill Elementary School and pointed out that the speed bumps and warning signs are permanent reminders that drivers need to slow down while driving through school zones.

Citizen Comment: McOmber -
Townhall Meeting Event in
Renton Highlands

Howard McOmber (Renton) requested that a townhall style meeting being held in the Renton Highlands to promote communication between citizens and City officials. He stated that residents in the Highlands wish to maintain the character of the neighborhood and remarked that the area contains a significant amount of affordable housing.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Council Meeting Minutes of
4/6/2009

Approval of Council Meeting minutes of 4/6/2009. Council concur.

Transportation: Coal Creek
Parkway SE & May Creek
Park Property Exchange,
Washington State

Transportation Systems Division recommended approval to grant a Deed of Right to Use Land for Public Recreation Purposes to the State of Washington as a condition of the May Creek Park property exchange conversion, as related to the King County Coal Creek Parkway SE widening project. Council concur.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
Planning & Development
Committee

CED: Multi-Family Housing
Property Tax Exemption,
Liberty Square Apartments

Planning and Development Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation that Council:

- 1) Approve a Multi-Family Housing Property Tax Exemption Agreement that addresses the terms and conditions for a partial property tax exemption for the Liberty Square Apartments project in the Downtown designated residential targeted area; and
- 2) Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute said agreement in substantially the same form.

MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Finance Committee

Finance: 2009 Carry Forward Ordinance

Finance Committee Chair Persson presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve an increase in the 2009 Budget appropriations in the amount of \$37,203,924 by carrying forward fund balance of \$23,194,345 from 2008 for projects that were not completed in 2008, but are anticipated to be completed in 2009. Additional grant and other revenue in the amount of \$13,921,677 are also anticipated to provide for a portion of these expenditures. The combined resources from fund balance and revenue to carry forward are \$37,179,537. The Committee further recommended that the related ordinance be presented for first reading. **MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY TAYLOR, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.** (See later this page for ordinance.)

Transportation (Aviation) Committee

Development Services: Contractor Liability for Street Repairs/Maintenance

Transportation (Aviation) Committee Chair Palmer presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation that Council adopt an ordinance to amend the Renton Municipal Code Title IX, Chapter 10, Street Excavations, to specify the requirement for liability insurance as a permit condition, and to extend the duration of maintenance bonds from one year to two years. The Committee further recommended that the ordinance regarding this matter be prepared for first reading. **MOVED BY PALMER, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.**

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Finance: 2009 Carry Forward Ordinance

The following ordinance was presented for first reading and referred to the Council meeting of 4/20/2009 for second and final reading:

An ordinance was read amending the 2009 Budget as adopted by Ordinance No. 5423 and thereafter amended by Ordinance Nos. 5441 and 5451. **MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY TAYLOR, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 4/20/2009. CARRIED.**

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

ORDINANCE #5454

SAD: Earlington Sanitary Sewer Interceptor

An ordinance was read establishing an assessment district for sanitary sewer service for properties adjacent to the Earlington Sanitary Sewer Interceptor and establishing the amount of the charge upon connection to the facilities. **MOVED BY ZWICKER, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL. ALL AYES. CARRIED.**

NEW BUSINESS

Community Event: Boy Scout Troop 498 Attendance

Mayor Law welcomed the boy scouts who were in attendance. Boy Scout Spencer McCarty introduced the troop as Boy Scout Troop 498 from the Issaquah School District.

Council: Firefighter Training Operations

Councilmember Zwicker announced that he and Chief Administrative Officer Covington attended firefighter training in Richland, Washington where they tested their skills through a battery of fire simulations, ladder climbs, and extrication operations.

Community Event: 7th Annual Piazza Spring Festival & 4th Annual Downtown Poker Run

Councilmember Palmer invited the community to attend the 7th Annual Piazza Spring Festival and the 4th Annual Downtown Renton Poker Run occurring on Saturday, April 18 in downtown Renton.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY TAYLOR, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 7:21 p.m.

Bonnie I. Walton

BONNIE I. WALTON, City Clerk