CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kathy Keolker-Wheeler 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; MARCIE PALMER; TERRI BRIERE; DENIS LAW; DAN CLAWSON; TONI NELSON; RANDY CORMAN.

CITY STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

KATHY KEOLKER-WHEELER, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; LAWRENCE J. WARREN, City Attorney; BONNIE WALTON, City Clerk; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator; ALEX PIETSCH, Economic Development Administrator; DON ERICKSON, Senior Planner; MIKE WEBBY, Human Resources Administrator; VICTORIA RUNKLE, Finance and Information Services Administrator; DEREK TODD, Assistant to the CAO; COMMANDER KENT CURRY, Police Department.

PROCLAMATION

Free Enterprise Month - December, 2004

A proclamation by Mayor Keolker-Wheeler was read declaring the month of December, 2004, to be "Free Enterprise Month" in the City of Renton, encouraging all citizens to value the principles of freedom and free enterprise which allows entrepreneurs to freely operate a business for profit in the country's competitive economy. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE PROCLAMATION AS READ. CARRIED.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

Annexation: Wedgewood Lane, 144th Ave SE & SE 115th St

This being the date set and proper notices having been posted and published in accordance with local and State laws, Mayor Keolker-Wheeler opened the public meeting to consider the revised 10% Notice of Intent petition for the proposed Wedgewood Lane Annexation, consisting of 25.63 acres bounded on the north by SE 115th St., if extended; on the south by approximately SE 121st St., if extended; on the east, south of SE 117th St. by Honey Creek, and north of SE 117th St. by 148th Ave. SE.

Don Erickson, Senior Planner, explained that Council considered the 10% Notice of Intent petition on 10/4/2004, and at that time Council authorized expansion of the boundaries, adding eleven properties to the north and east. The annexation area contains approximately 20 single-family dwellings, and slopes down from the northwest and northeast corners towards Honey Creek at a 10% to 15% slope. Wetlands exist near the southern and eastern edges of the site, and Honey Creek and its wetlands buffers comprise 20% of the site. Mr. Erickson stated that public services are provided by Fire District #10, Water District #90, Renton sewer, and the Issaquah School District.

Continuing, Mr. Erickson reported that current King County zoning is R-4 (four dwelling units per gross acre). Renton's Comprehensive Plan designates this area as Residential Low Density, for which R-4 (four dwelling units per net acre) zoning is proposed. He stated that the fiscal impact analysis indicates a surplus of $8,640 at full development, and an estimated one-time parks acquisition and development cost of $52,188.

In conclusion, Mr. Erickson reported that the revised annexation proposal serves the best interests and general welfare of the City, and is consistent with City policies. He noted some potential flooding in the area, and suggested mitigation
with future development.

Public comment was invited.

Patrick Gilroy, 1560 140th Ave. NE, #100, Bellevue, 98005, submitted an additional petition and requested the addition of five parcels to the annexation area. The subject parcels are located to the immediate north of the existing annexation boundaries. Additionally, Mr. Gilroy suggested that Council consider notifying property owners within 300 feet of the annexation area at the initial stage of the annexation process.

There being no further public comment, it was MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CLOSE THE PUBLIC MEETING. CARRIED.

MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL ACCEPT THE WEDGEWOOD LANE 10% NOTICE OF INTENT TO ANNEX PETITION, AND AUTHORIZE CIRCULATION OF THE 60% DIRECT PETITION SUBJECT TO: EXPANDING THE ANNEXATION SITE NORTH TO INCLUDE THE FIVE PARCELS IMMEDIATELY NORTH OF THE SITE (SOUTH OF HONEY CREEK ESTATES) BETWEEN SE 144TH AVE., IF EXTENDED, AND SE 148TH AVE.; ZONING CONSISTENT WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN'S RESIDENTIAL LOW DENSITY LAND USE DESIGNATION; AND REQUIRING THAT PROPERTY OWNERS ASSUME A PROPORTIONAL SHARE OF THE CITY'S EXISTING OUTSTANDING INDEBTEDNESS. CARRIED.

Annexation: Falk II, 102nd Ave SE & S 50th St

This being the date set and proper notices having been posted and published in accordance with local and State laws, Mayor Keolker-Wheeler opened the public meeting to consider the 10% Notice of Intent petition for the proposed 6.29-acre Falk II Annexation, bounded on the north and west by existing City limits, on the east by the western edge of 102nd Ave. SE right-of-way, and on the south by S. 50th St.

Don Erickson, Senior Planner, reported that the annexation site is located immediately south of the 2003 Falk I Annexation, and contains five single-family dwellings. The topography is essentially flat on the eastern two-thirds of the site, with steeper slopes on the western one-third of the site. In regards to the public services, he stated that Fire District #40, Soos Creek Water and Sewer District, and the Renton School District serve the area. Mr. Erickson noted that roadway and stormwater improvements are likely in the future.

Mr. Erickson explained that existing King County zoning is R-4 (four dwelling units per gross acre), and Renton's Comprehensive Plan designates the site as Residential Single Family, for which R-8 (eight dwelling units per net acre) is recommended. Reviewing the fiscal impact analysis, he noted the annual estimated surplus of $3,851 at full development, and the estimated one-time park acquisition and improvements cost of $22,381. Concluding, Mr. Erickson said the proposed annexation is consistent with Renton policies and Boundary Review Board criteria, and he recommended that the area be modified to include the abutting 102nd Ave. SE right-of-way.

Public comment was invited. There being none, it was MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CLOSE THE PUBLIC MEETING. CARRIED.

MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL: ACCEPT THE FALK II 10% NOTICE OF INTENT TO ANNEX PETITION,
INCLUDING THE ABUTTING 102ND AVE. SE RIGHT-OF-WAY; AND AUTHORIZE CIRCULATION OF THE 60% DIRECT PETITION TO ANNEX SUBJECT TO PROPERTY OWNERS SUPPORTING THE ADOPTION OF FUTURE CITY ZONING CONSISTENT WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN DESIGNATION, AND PROPERTY OWNERS ASSUMING A PROPORTIONAL SHARE OF THE CITY’S EXISTING OUTSTANDING INDEBTEDNESS. CARRIED.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Chief Administrative Officer Jay 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 2004 and beyond. Items noted included:

- The Renton City Concert Band's Holiday Concert will be held at the IKEA Performing Arts Center on December 9th at 7:30 p.m. The Renton Youth Symphony Orchestra's Holiday Concert will be held at Carco Theatre on December 19th at 3:00 p.m.

- The City received a federal "earmark" grant of $750,000 for the SW 27th St. and Strander Blvd. project.

- The Police Department was granted re-accredited status on December 4th by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies.

Legislature: 2005 Council Legislative Priorities

Alex Pietsch, Economic Development Administrator, presented a report on Renton’s 2005 legislative priorities. He explained that the basic legislative premises for the priorities include local flexibility, opposition to unfunded mandates, opposition to the increase of municipal fees to fund State regulatory activities, and the maintenance of local control such as in the areas of rights-of-way management, land use, and taxation. Mr. Pietsch reviewed the major issues as follows:

**Capital Budget.** Pursue a $5 million line item request for stormwater and utility infrastructure upgrades associated with the Boeing surplus property redevelopment.

**Municipal Finance.** Support standardization and streamlining of sales tax definitions that leads to sales tax on catalog and Internet sales. Oppose the changes in local sales tax sourcing rules that are not fully mitigated.

**Transportation.** Seek new sources of local funding, funding for freight mobility, funding for I-405 expansion, Regional Transportation Improvement District modifications, High Occupancy Toll lanes, and maintaining a seat on Puget Sound Regional Council.

**Economic Development Tools.** Support innovative tax incentives such as establishing a new State fund to help address infrastructure and capital costs for qualified projects.

**Land Use.** Includes zoning authority over gambling institutions, annexation tools, and Growth Management Act related issues.

**Water Rights:** Includes expediting well replacements and relocations, instream flow protection, and City assumptions of water/sewer districts.

**Law & Justice.** Includes Municipal Court funding, Driving While License Suspended penalties, separate licensing for nightclubs, photo-radar authority, and DNA data collection.

**Liability Reform.** Includes joint and several liability, reference checks, and
public duty doctrine.

**Other Funding Needs.** Includes affordable housing, human and social services, public health, and parks.

Mr. Pietsch recommended that Council authorize the Administration to lobby these issues and initiatives on Council's behalf. He assured that Council will be provided with updates during the 2005 Session of the State Legislature.

Council President Persson suggested the addition of a legislative priority regarding residential speed limits.

MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE 2005 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES AS PRESENTED WITH THE ADDITION OF A PRIORITY TO OBTAIN LOCAL AUTHORITY TO SET SPEED LIMITS AT LESS THAN 25 MILES-PER-HOUR ON RESIDENTIAL STREETS. CARRIED.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Council Meeting Minutes of November 22, 2004**


**Vacation: Alley between Williams & Wells Aves S, Savren Service Corp, VAC-03-002**

City Clerk reported that all conditions have been satisfied, as set by Council on 10/6/2003 and 4/19/2004, and recommended adoption of an ordinance to finalize the Savren Service Corporation vacation of a portion of an alley running north to south, south of S. 2nd St. and between Williams and Wells Avenues S. (VAC-03-002). Council concur. (See page 432 for ordinance.)

**Vacation: Alley, NE 30th St & Kennewick Pl NE, Renton School District, VAC-04-003**

City Clerk reported no further compensation due, as set by Council on 9/20/2004, and recommended adoption of an ordinance to finalize the Kennydale Elementary School vacation of a portion of an unimproved alley located east of I-405, west of Kennewick Pl. NE, and south of NE 30th St. (VAC-04-003). Council concur. (See page 432 for ordinance.)

**Court Case: Skyway Towing & Recovery, CRT-04-007**

Court Case filed by Robert B. Beckerman, 216 1st Ave. S., Suite 200, Seattle, 98104, on behalf of Skyway Towing and Recovery, Inc., alleging that the City wrongfully terminated a towing agreement, effective 12/15/2003, resulting in loss of income for Skyway Towing in an amount of at least $100,000. Refer to City Attorney and Insurance Services.

**Community Services: Edlund Property Lease & Caretaker Agreement, Vision House**

Community Services Department recommended approval of a three-year lease and caretaker agreement with Vision House for a City-owned house on the Edlund property at 10130 SE Carr Rd. in the annual amount of one dollar. Refer to Finance Committee.

**Annexation: Lindberg, 138th Ave SE & SE 132nd St**

Economic Development, Neighborhoods and Strategic Planning Department submitted 10% Notice of Intent to annex petition for the proposed Lindberg Annexation, and recommended a public meeting be set on 12/20/2004 to consider the petition; 10.11 acres located east of 138th Ave. SE and north of SE 132nd St. Council concur.

**Annexation: Park Terrace, NE 8th St & Duvall Ave NE**

Economic Development, Neighborhoods and Strategic Planning Department submitted 60% Notice of Intent to annex petition for the proposed Park Terrace Annexation, and recommended a public hearing be set on 12/20/2004 to consider the petition and future zoning; 7.65 acres located south of NE 8th St. and east of Duvall Ave. NE. Council concur.
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<th>Finance: 2004 Budget Year-End Adjustments</th>
<th>Finance and Information Services Department submitted proposed 2004 Year-End Budget Adjustments ordinance in the total amount of $13,213,500. Refer to Finance Committee.</th>
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<td>Finance: Sales Tax Sourcing Lobbyist Services (Sales Tax Streamlining), City of Kent</td>
<td>Finance and Information Services Department recommended approval of an interlocal agreement with the City of Kent and other cities regarding payment and supervision of sales tax sourcing lobbyist services with the goal of obtaining mitigation of the impacts of sales tax streamlining. Council concur. (See page 432 for resolution.)</td>
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<td>Police: Jail Inmate Health Services, Occupational Health Services</td>
<td>Police Department recommended approval of a contract with Occupational Health Services (Public Hospital District No. 1 of King County) in the amount of $158,462 for health services for Renton jail inmates for 2005. Council concur.</td>
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<td>CAG: 02-099, Yakima County Jail Services, King County Cities</td>
<td>Police Department recommended approval of a second amendment to the Yakima County jail services contract with 34 King County cities (CAG-02-099), which reduces the financial obligation of all the cities and clarifies responsibilities regarding billing and payment. Council concur. (See page 432 for resolution.)</td>
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<td>Utility: Sewer Service Connection Outside City Limits, City Code Amend</td>
<td>Utility Systems Division recommended approval of an ordinance revising policies by which the City allows connection to its sanitary sewer service by property owners outside the current City limits. Refer to Utilities Committee.</td>
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<td>CORRESPONDENCE</td>
<td>Correspondence was read from Darla Casebolt, 215 Pelly Ave. N., Renton, 98055, suggesting the implementation of coin-return kiosks as a way to address shopping cart abandonment, rather than fining stores. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL REFER THIS CORRESPONDENCE TO THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. CARRIED.</td>
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<td>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</td>
<td>Transportation (Aviation) Committee Chair Palmer presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to accept federal Surface Transportation Program/Urban Countywide grant funding in the amount of $392,947 for construction of the Maple Valley Hwy (SR-169) HOV (high occupancy vehicle) Lanes and Queue Jump Improvements Project, Phase I. This work will consist of roadway and pedestrian improvements on SR-169 in the vicinity of the I-405 on and off ramps. The Committee further recommended that the resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into the agreement with Washington State Department of Transportation regarding this matter be presented for reading and adoption. MOVED BY PALMER, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED. (See page 432 for resolution.)</td>
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<td>CAG: 03-033, Strander Blvd Extension Design, Perteet Engineering</td>
<td>Transportation (Aviation) Committee Chair Palmer presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation that $197,437 be transferred to the Strander Blvd. and SW 27th St. Connection Project to complete the full design for a portion of this roadway by transferring $138,000 from the Benson Rd. and S. 31st St. Traffic Signal Project and $59,437 from the Transit Priority Signal Project.</td>
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The Committee further recommended that Council authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to CAG-03-033 with Perteet Engineering, Inc., for additional preliminary engineering services in the amount of $197,437. MOVED BY PALMER, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Committee on Committees
Council: 2005 Committee Assignments

Council President-elect Briere presented a Committee on Committees report recommending the following Council committee chairmanships and committee assignments for 2005:

Community Services Committee: Toni Nelson, Chair; Dan Clawson, Vice Chair; Don Persson, Member.

Finance Committee: Don Persson, Chair; Toni Nelson, Vice Chair; Denis Law, Member.

Planning and Development Committee: Dan Clawson, Chair; Denis Law, Vice Chair; Marcie Palmer, Member.

Public Safety Committee: Denis Law, Chair; Randy Corman, Vice Chair; Toni Nelson, Member.

Transportation (Aviation) Committee: Marcie Palmer, Chair; Don Persson, Vice Chair; Randy Corman, Member.

Utilities Committee: Randy Corman, Chair; Marcie Palmer, Vice Chair; Dan Clawson, Member.

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

Planning & Development Committee
Planning: R-1 Zone Community Separators

Planning and Development Committee Chair Briere presented a report regarding the R-1 zone community separators. The Committee reviewed staff analysis and the recommendation of the Planning Commission on the R-1 zone cluster and open space requirements in the City's designated Urban Separators. The Planning Commission recommended that clustered development be required and that a mandatory 50% open space tract be established to meet Urban Separator policies. The Committee concurred with this recommendation and further recommended that staff develop an ordinance that provides equivalent or better implementation of the Urban Separator than currently set forth in the King County code.

The Committee further recommended that the implementation of Urban Separators include a mechanism to grant a density bonus up to the maximum density presently allowed by the King County code, provision of utilities, including sewer connections to parcels, and/or consideration of a means to achieve a connected and contiguous open space corridor within the Urban Separator. Further review should consider issues such as fencing requirements, the location of the open space corridor within a parcel, and the threshold for establishing the open space tract on individual parcels. This item will remain in Committee for further review and recommendation on these implementation issues. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Resolution #3723
Finance: Sales Tax Sourcing

A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an interlocal agreement with the City of Kent for payment and supervision of sales
Lobbyist Services (Sales Tax Streamlining), City of Kent
tax sourcing lobbyist services. MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

### Resolution #3724

CAG: 02-099, Yakima County
Jail Services, King County Cities

A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an interlocal agreement amending certain terms of prior interlocal agreements between the City of Renton and Yakima County regarding the housing of inmates in Yakima County jail facilities. MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

### Resolution #3725

Transportation: Maple Valley Hwy Phase I Improvements, WSDOT Grant

A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an interlocal agreement between the City and the Washington State Department of Transportation for funding of construction of the Maple Valley Hwy. (SR-169) HOV Lanes and Queue Jump Improvements. MOVED BY PALMER, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

### Resolution #3726

Police: Jail Booking Services Interlocal Agreements

A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into interlocal agreements with government agencies for the City of Renton to provide jail booking services on a space-available basis. MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

The following ordinances were presented for first reading and referred to the Council meeting of 12/13/2004 for second and final reading:

Vacation: Alley between Williams & Wells Aves S, Savren Service Corp, VAC-03-002

An ordinance was read vacating a portion of the alley running north to south, south of S. 2nd St. between Williams Avenue S. to the west and Wells Ave. S. to the east (Savren Service Corporation; VAC-03-002). MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/13/2004. CARRIED.

Vacation: Alley, NE 30th St & Kennewick Pl NE, Renton School District, VAC-04-003

An ordinance was read vacating a portion of the unimproved alley located south of NE 30th St., west of Kennewick Pl. NE, and north of the abandoned Pacific Coast Railroad right-of-way (Kennydale Elementary School - Renton School District; VAC-04-003). MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/13/2004. CARRIED.

### NEW BUSINESS

Budget: Priorities (Heather Downs Park, Park Maintenance Facility, RENSTAT & REACT)

Discussion ensued regarding budget priorities related to the Heather Downs park development, the Parks Maintenance Facility replacement, and the RENSTAT and REACT programs.

Issues and concerns raised included the assumption that Heather Downs was Council's first priority; the lack of property for the Parks Maintenance Facility; Heather Downs area residents' expectation for a park; the suggestion to set money aside but postpone decision until March 2005 on whether to use money for Heather Downs or Parks Maintenance Facility; lack of information about the Parks Maintenance Facility; the delay of Heather Downs park development if the funding decision is postponed; future budget cuts and the maintenance and operation of City parks; the priority level of the RENSTAT and REACT programs and funding cuts to the programs; and capital expenditures versus ongoing personnel expenditures.

### ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 8:50 p.m.

Bonnie I. Walton, CMC, City Clerk
Recorder: Michele Neumann
December 6, 2004