RENTON CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

December 13, 2004 Council Chambers
Monday, 7:35 p.m. MINUTES Renton City Hall

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. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCILMAN RANDY CORMAN. CARRIED.

CITY STAFF IN ATTENDANCE
KATHY KEOLKER-WHEELER, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; ZANETTA FONTES, Assistant City Attorney; BONNIE WALTON, City Clerk; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator; ALEX PIETSCH, Economic Development Administrator; REBECCA LIND, Planner Manager; VICTORIA RUNKLE, Finance & Information Services Department; SYLVIA DOERSCHEL, Finance Analyst Supervisor; JILL MASUNAGA, Finance Analyst III; DEREK TODD, Assistant to the CAO; COMMANDER FLOYD ELDRIDGE, Police Department.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION
Finance: Distinguished Budget Presentation Award, Employee Recognition
Victoria Runkle, Finance and Information Services Administrator, announced that Renton has once again won the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association for the City's 2004 Budget. Explaining that Renton is noted for the amount of detail in its budget, she introduced budget team members Sylvia Doerschel, Finance Analyst Supervisor, and Jill Masunaga, Finance Analyst III, who ensure the integrity of the document. Ms. Runkle gave special thanks to Ms. Doerschel who plans to soon retire from the City.

Ms. Doerschel recognized the many staff members, Citywide, who assist in producing the budget, giving special thanks to Beth Haglund, Forms/Graphic Technician, and Debbie Willard, Print & Mail Coordinator.

PUBLIC HEARING
Planning: R-1 Zone Community Separators
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 hearing to consider City Code amendments to enact a mandatory clustering provision within the designated Urban Separators within R-1 zoning and to require a mandatory open space tract.

Rebecca Lind, Planner Manager, pointed out that Renton has three designated Urban Separator areas: May Valley, Cedar River, and the Talbot area by Springbrook Creek. She noted that attention has been focused on the May Valley area, as there is a pending annexation in the area known as the Merritt II Annexation. Ms. Lind explained that Urban Separators provide physical and visual distinctions between Renton and adjacent communities and define Renton's boundaries. The types of land use included in Urban Separators are highly constrained lands that contain critical areas and open space values, and the purpose of the separators are to protect environmentally sensitive areas.

Ms. Lind stated that Urban Separator policies are currently implemented through the low density residential section of Renton's Comprehensive Plan, as well as through the R-1 zoning where one dwelling unit per net acre is allowed. She noted that development credit is not given for designated critical areas, or
for public and private roads.

In King County, Ms. Lind reported that Urban Separators are currently implemented through a mandatory clustering standard requiring clustering away from sensitive areas or "the axis of the Community Separators." In King County's R-1, P zone, clustering and 50% open space retention is required. Renton currently allows and encourages clustering but does not mandate it. She pointed out that Renton's overall density regulations are approximately 20% lower than King County's regulations due to the difference in the density calculations. King County calculates density based upon gross acreage, which includes critical areas and public and private roads.

Continuing, Ms. Lind stated the staff recommends enacting regulations that are more explicit than King County code. The proposed regulations include the following: an Urban Separator overlay provision, a mandatory clustering provision, a 50% open space requirement to include critical areas and buffers, the prohibition of fencing that restricts access within the open space, and the allowance of trails and utility connections. She explained that the trigger for the open space requirement includes subdivision, lot line adjustment, building permit, and major remodel. Additionally, a density bonus is proposed to adjust for the difference between the net and gross densities. The density bonus would allow up to one dwelling unit per gross acre, and the bonus provisions include contiguous open space and enhancement of buffers.

Concluding, Ms. Lind stated that this issue will remain in Planning and Development Committee, and staff will continue to review public testimony, specific City Code language, and the map of critical areas and proposed open space configuration.

Public comment was invited.

Jim Hanson, 17446 Mallard Cove Lane, Mt. Vernon, 98274, stated that he is working with property owners in the original Merritt Annexation and May Valley Urban Separator areas. He voiced his agreement with a majority the proposed regulations, and made the following comments: allow modification of the 50% open space requirement on some parcels; allow the crossing of open space by emergency vehicles; the six-unit maximum clustering allowance along with the 50% open space requirement may prohibit clustering the way the City is proposing; the 50% open space requirement restricts the ability to develop parcels due to the City's net density; and re-vegetation is important in the critical areas but may not be appropriate in all parts of the open space separator.

Dan Gallagher, 19225 Talbot Rd. S., Renton, 98031, indicated that although he supports clustering, he does not support it for his property which contains the Springbrook Trout Farm. He emphasized that no one can care for his property better than his family. Additionally, he expressed his support for clustering on the neighboring Cleveland Park property if half is reserved for a wildlife area and the other half for the park.

Jerri Wood, 12408 SE 98th St., Renton, 98056, stated that she is also speaking on behalf of her mother, Mary Lou Zimmerman, who lives at 13703 SE May Valley Rd., Renton, 98055. Thanking the City for the proposed 50% open space requirement, Ms. Wood noted the importance of the Urban Separator. She said continued development along NE Sunset Blvd. has affected the quality of life of people who live along May Creek. She explained that over-development leads to flooding and erosion, which affects not only the Urban Separator but also the areas surrounding May Creek, including the mouth of
May Creek at Lake Washington. Ms. Wood added that neighbors are divided over what can and cannot be done with their property, and stressed that any action taken should not harm the affected property owners.

Randy LaVigne, 14833 SE Jones Pl. Renton, 98058, voiced his opposition to the taking of private property for purposes such as this, but indicated that he does support the purchasing of open space.

Dennis Noland, 14326 SE 100th Pl., Renton, 98059, stating that he has lived adjacent to the May Creek Urban Separator for 25 years, expressed his support for the clustering and 50% open space requirements. Pointing out that many landowners are pushing for annexation to Renton for access to the City's sewer service, Mr. Noland stressed that Renton has a responsibility to determine the type and appropriateness of the development that takes place.

Julie Bonwell, 9616 146th Ave. SE, Renton, 98055, explained how the May Valley Urban Separator fits in the Puget Sound's larger regional open space system. Emphasizing that open space corridors must be established and preserved, she stated that requiring clustering and 50% open space is a step towards that goal. She provided Councilmembers with a map showing the greenbelt, open space, State and local parks, rural lands, and Urban Separators from Cougar Mountain Regional Wildlife Park to Lake Washington. Ms. Bonwell recommended that the 50% permanent open space requirement also exclude critical areas.

Jim Bonwell, 9616 146th Ave. SE, Renton, 98055, expressed his concern about the way property is developed, saying that land is often leveled out prior to building, with not even a tree left standing. He noted that this destroys buffers, and negatively affects surrounding property. Mr. Bonwell stated that he favors a 50% or greater open space requirement, clustering, and a better way to develop property.

Andrew Duffus, 9605 143rd Ave. SE, Renton, 98059, described the positive actions of the City of Renton over the past 15 years pertaining to the May Valley Urban Separator, which included supporting the addition of a map of existing Urban Separators to the Countywide Planning Policies. Mr. Duffus urged Council to follow past visionary decision making and amend City Code to require mandatory clustering and 50% permanent open space tracts within the Urban Separators.

Jean Rollins, 9605 143rd Ave. SE, Renton, 98059, pointed out that clustering and 50% open space retention has been required in the May Valley area since 1983. She also pointed out the important role Urban Separators play in the regional open space system, noting that Countywide Planning Policies call for technical development regulations that maintain and steward Urban Separators. Ms. Rollins asked that Council reaffirm its long-standing commitment to Urban Separators by requiring clustering away from sensitive areas and 50% permanent open space.

Bob Blayden, 9933 143rd Ave. SE, Renton, 98059, stated that he owns six acres within the Merritt II Annexation area. He expressed his support for the 50% open space requirement if the maximum density is allowed. He explained that without the maximum density he would only be allowed five lots, and the loss of one lot affects the overall cost of development. Saying that he was careful to protect May Creek by installing a retention pond when he built in the past, Mr. Blayden noted the need to be able to cross the Urban Separator for sewer and stormwater retention and secondary access for emergency vehicles in order to
develop the property.

Debra Rogers, 5326 NE 22nd Ct., Renton, 98058, representing the Stonegate Homeowners Association, spoke in favor of the 50% open space retention requirement, as well as developing away from critical areas. She pointed out that the Stonegate neighborhood contains Greens Creek and a portion of the Urban Separator, emphasizing that residents want the May Creek area protected.

Correspondence was read from Larry Phillips, Metropolitan King County Council Chair, 516 3rd Ave. Room 1200, Seattle, 98104, recommending that Renton use the 50% open space requirement within Urban Separators as allowed in King County's R-1 zone.

The following e-mail was read into the record in support of the 50% open space requirement in the Urban Separators: Connie Marsh, 1175 NW Gilman Blvd., #B11, Issaquah, 98027; Jodi & John Mackey, 5301 NE 23rd Ct., Renton, 98059; Jan Fohrell, 2400 Lyons Ave. NE, Renton, 98059; Wayde Watters, 11608 SE 286th St., Kent, 98030; David Kappler, 255 SE Andrews St., Issaquah, 98027; Betsy Reamy, 2502 Lyons Ave. NE, Renton, 98059; Kevin F. Schulz, 2202 Lyons Ave. NE, Renton, 98059; Bruce Christopherson, 5502 NE 24th Ct., Renton, 98059; Paul & Tracy Ficca, 5306 NE 23rd Ct., Renton, 98059; Jan Fohrell, 2400 Lyons Ave. NE, Renton, 98059; Kevin F. Schulz, 2202 Lyons Ave. NE, Renton, 98059; Bruce Christopherson, 5502 NE 24th Ct., Renton, 98059; Paul & Tracy Ficca, 5306 NE 23rd Ct., Renton, 98059; Li-Meng & Sandy Yu, 5405 NE 24th Ct., Renton, 98059; Susan Oki, 2406 Lyons Ave. NE, Renton, 98059; and Melissa & Tad Willoughby, 5512 NE 26th St., Renton, 98059.

There being no further public comment, it was MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. 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:

- Over 360 children and parents enjoyed *Breakfast with Santa* on December 11th at the Renton Senior Activity Center, where volunteers assisted with the breakfast and program.

- Winter weather conditions may impact curbside collection services of Renton residents. If weather or road conditions prevent regular pick up, collection will be one week late. Residents are asked to store their materials until the following week when the Waste Management Rainier truck driver can safely collect two weeks worth of materials. In such cases, residents will not be billed for an extra garbage collection.

**AUDIENCE COMMENT**

Citizen Comment: O'Halloran - Heather Downs Park Development

Mike O'Halloran, 4420 SE 4th St., Renton, 98059, stated that he is a Heather Downs neighborhood resident, and asked Council not to delay the development of Heather Downs Park, which has been slated as a proposed park for approximately 20 years.

Citizen Comment: Grassi - Cedar Ave S Speeding Traffic

Rosemary Grassi, 422 Cedar Ave. S., Renton, 98055, deferred her time to Becky Lemke to speak on the subject of speeding traffic on Cedar Ave. S.

Citizen Comment: Lemke - Cedar Ave S Speeding Traffic

Becky Lemke, 415 Cedar Ave. S., Renton, 98055, reported on the traffic speeding problems on Cedar Ave. S. She said that she is aware of four vehicle hit and run incidences within the last year that were caused by excessive speeds, one of which involved her own vehicle. Ms. Lemke pointed out that traffic has increased on Cedar Ave. S. due to development in the Renton Hill area. Ms. Lemke requested that the City conduct traffic enforcement during high
commuter periods and install speed bumps in order to slow the traffic down. She acknowledged the Fire Department's concerns about the use of speed bumps, and described how the City of Bellevue works with the affected residents and its Fire Department when installing speed bumps.

Citizen Comment: Lemke - Cedar Ave S Speeding Traffic

Randy Lemke, 415 Cedar Ave. S., Renton, 98055, expressed concern about speeding traffic on Cedar Ave. S. as well as on Renton Ave. S., noting that the stop sign at the bottom of Renton Ave. S. has been run over a number of times. Mr. Lemke stressed that the speeding problems are getting worse, and requested the installation of speed bumps on Cedar Ave. S.

Citizen Comment: Collins - Cedar Ave S Speeding Traffic

Bill Collins, 420 Cedar Ave. S., Renton, 98055, stated that the use of speed bumps on a major arterial in the City of Burien has been successful in slowing down traffic. He expressed concern about the speeding traffic on Cedar Ave. S., pointing out that the Renton Hill area has very few speed limit signs.

Citizen Comment: Davis - Cedar Ave S Speeding Traffic

Dina Davis, 433 Cedar Ave. S., Renton, 98055, commented on the speeding traffic on Cedar Ave. S., saying that her truck was also struck by a speeding vehicle. She requested that something be done to slow traffic down, such as the installation of speed bumps or a traffic circle. Ms. Davis noted that the 25-miles-per-hour posted speed limit may even be too high, and expressed concern for the safety of her children.

Transportation: Traffic Calming Program

Gregg Zimmerman, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator, reported on the City's traffic calming program. He explained that when a traffic concern is reported, transportation staff gather information about the problem, conduct a traffic study, and then make recommendations. Staff recommendations include radar traffic enforcement by the Police Department, permanent radar guns, rumble strips, lane striping, and signage. Mr. Zimmerman stated that the City employs Tier 1 traffic calming measures, which are passive types of traffic control, and does not use Tier 2 measures, which are physical obstructions such as speed bumps and chicanes. He pointed out that if one type of traffic calming measure does not work, the City will continue to try other measures.

Legislature: 2005 Council Legislative Priorities, Residential Speed Limits

Council President Persson stated that he understands the speakers' concerns about speeding traffic on Renton Hill, and relayed that one of Council's 2005 legislative priorities is to try to change State law so the City can set residential street speed limits at less than 25 miles per hour.

RECESS

MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL RECESS FOR FIVE MINUTES. CARRIED. Time: 9:01 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 9:09 p.m.; roll was called; all Councilmembers present except Corman, previously excused.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

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Planning: Medical Institution Definition, City Code Amendment

Economic Development, Neighborhoods and Strategic Planning Department recommended an amendment to the definition of "Medical Definition" in City Code to allow a wider range of medical practices to occur on-site as accessory functions to the hospital, clinic, or sanitarium use. Refer to Planning and Development Committee and Planning Commission.

Comp Plan: 2005 Amendment Pre-Application, 4915 NE

Economic Development, Neighborhoods and Strategic Planning Department submitted pre-application for 2005 Comprehensive Plan Amendment to change
Sunset Blvd

land use designation for property located at 4915 NE Sunset Blvd. from Single Family (R-8 zoned) to Corridor Commercial (Commercial Arterial zoned).  Refer to Planning and Development Committee.

Comp Plan: 2005 Amendment

Economic Development, Neighborhoods and Strategic Planning Department recommended approval to extend the filing deadline for Comprehensive Plan Amendments from 12/15/2004 to 1/14/2005, for the next annual review cycle. Council concur.

Fire: Haz Mat Equipment, King County Grants

Fire Department recommended approval of three subgrant agreements with King County (acting as pass through agency for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security) for receipt of funding in the total amount of $77,798 for Haz Mat (hazardous materials) equipment. Council concur.  (See page 447 for resolution.)

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

CORRESPONDENCE

Citizen Comment: Modl - Modified Vehicle Noise Disturbances

Correspondence was read from Michael Modl, 103 Monterey Pl. NE, Renton, 98056, noting the noise disturbances created by vehicles with modified mufflers, and requesting adoption of an ordinance regulating this type of noise disturbance or enforcement of the noise level laws if already regulated.

MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL REFER THIS CORRESPONDENCE TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

Added

Citizen Comment: Various - Heather Downs Park Development

The following e-mail was read requesting that the development of Heather Downs Park not be delayed: Terri & Joseph Zurra, 4507 SE 4th St., Renton, 98059; Kevin Schrock, 413 Chelan Ave. SE, Renton, 98059; Sandel DeMastus, 1137 Harrington Ave. NE, Renton, 98056; Valerie O'Halloran, 4420 SE 4th St., Renton, 98059; Ken & Anne Miller, 4415 SE 4th St., Renton, 98059; Mike O'Halloran, 4420 SE 4th St., Renton, 98059; Lori Foster, 4413 SE 3rd Pl., Renton, 98059; Bob & Cindy Ensley, 4108 SE 4th St., Renton, 98059; and Vic Bloomfield & Jeni Skuk, 4418 SE 3rd Pl., Renton, 98059. Comments included: residents have waited a long time for the park; funds have already been allocated for this purpose; and children need a place to play away from traffic.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Committee of the Whole

Budget: 2005 Annual City of Renton & Related Ordinances

Council President Persson presented a Committee of the Whole report regarding adoption of the 2005 Budget ordinances.

2005 Budget. The Committee recommended adoption of the 2005 Budget, including the following changes recommended by the Executive:

- Convert a .4 Parking Enforcement Officer position into a Police Specialist for the RENSTAT program.
- Add a Police Specialist for the RENSTAT program - $69,000.
- Eliminate the vacant position of Finance Analyst Supervisor, Finance and Information Services Department - $89,000.
- Eliminate the vacant position of Human Resources Analyst, Human Resources and Risk Management Department, and other department cost reductions in training and recruitment - $42,000.
- Eliminate a vacant Judicial Specialist position, Administrative, Judicial and Legal Services Department - $55,000.
- Reduce temporary help in the Development Services Division - $22,000. This reduction will impact developers especially in the high construction
period.

- Reduce temporary help in the Transportation Division - $30,000.
- Turn off approximately 500 City lights along various arterials with the exception of the Central Business District and neighborhoods - $60,000.
- Reduce various Fire Department line items - $50,000.
- Eliminate the vacant position of Assistant Library Director, Community Services Department - $100,000.
- Eliminate the position of Capital Projects Manager, Community Services Department - $87,000.
- Eliminate the community calendar, Other City Services Budget - $30,000.
- Eliminate various recreation programs, Community Services Department - $29,900.

The Committee further recommended the following changes to the proposed 2005 Budget:

- The LEOFF I retiree long-term care costs of $260,000 are moved from the General Fund to Fund 522.
- The Parks Fund is decreased by $158,300.
- The Parks Fund is increased by $35,000 for lifeguards at Kennydale Beach.
- The General Fund is increased by $80,000 to add a Code Compliance Officer for the Police Department to implement the first element of the REACT program.
- The Code Enforcement Officers in the Planning/Building/Public Works Department will not be transferred to the Police Department, but remain in the Development Services Division of the PBPW Department.
- Should a limited hydroplane race event return to Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park in 2005, the City will be reimbursed for all costs, estimated at approximately $9,540, in 2005 dollars.

**Property Tax Levy.** To meet the costs of this budget, the City's property tax levy will increase by one percent, plus new construction, and any annexations as defined by the King County Assessor.

**Various General Fees.** Various general fees will also be increased. These include photocopies, audio and video recording copies, and facsimile copies.

**Jail Booking Fees.** The City shall increase the jail booking fees between government agencies and individuals to capture full cost recovery (currently $64.83 per day) per RCW 70.48.390.

**City Center Garage Monthly Rates.** A rate structure for monthly parking fees at the City Center Parking garage for minimum lease periods shall be adopted as recommended.

**Water, Sewer, and King County Water Treatment Rates.** To meet the City's CIP (Capital Improvement Program) requirements as proposed in the 2005 Budget, the Committee concurred with increasing the 2005 water rates by two
percent, and increasing the sewer rates by three percent. King County is increasing the water treatment rate by 9.4 percent. The Council reluctantly adopts the pass through rate.

**CIP Changes.** The $250,000 appropriated in the 2005 Budget for Heather Downs Park development shall be decreased to $100,000 for clean up purposes, and the balance along with the $116,000 in reserve for the Cedar River Trail, be dedicated to the Parks Maintenance Facility Reserve. Thereby, making the Parks Maintenance Facility Reserve a total of $2,266,000 at this time.

The total 2005 Budget is $149,349,200.

The Committee further recommended that the ordinances regarding these matters be presented for first reading.*

Council President Persson explained that the 9.4 percent water treatment rate increase is a pass-through increase imposed by King County.

*MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT.*

Discussion occurred, and the issues and concerns raised included: the appropriation of the $250,000 for Heather Downs Park development in the 2005 Budget; the use of $100,000 to clean up the Heather Downs Park property; the $1 million set aside in the 2004 Budget for this project; the three phases of the park development project and the push to develop all phases at once; decisions made at the Council retreat in January regarding funding the park project; the issuance of the request for qualification for Heather Downs Park architectural/engineering professional services; the ability to move forward with construction of the park if funding discussion delayed until Council's retreat in March 2005; the total cost of the park development project; and the conflicting information about the importance, timing, and cost of the Parks Maintenance Facility.

MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL AMEND THE MOTION AND CHANGE THE CIP CHANGES PARAGRAPH AND THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE TO READ AS FOLLOWS: "CIP Changes: The $116,000 in reserve for the Cedar River Trail shall be dedicated to the Parks Maintenance Facility Reserve. Thereby, making the Parks Maintenance Facility Reserve a total of $2,116,000 at this time. The total 2005 Budget is $149,499,200." CARRIED.

*MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED. CARRIED. (See page 447 for ordinances."

In response to questions from Council, Victoria Runkle, Finance and Information Services Administrator, explained that $1 million is currently appropriated for the Heather Downs Park development project, and the funds have not yet been appropriated in the 2005 Budget. The $1 million can be re-appropriated via a carry forward ordinance.

**Finance Committee**

Community Services: Edlund

Property Lease & Caretaker Agreement, Vision House

Finance Committee Vice Chair Law presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve the three-year lease, at an annual lease rate of one dollar, for the City-owned Edlund property house located at 10130 SE Carr Rd. with Vision House, a social service agency that provides drug and alcohol rehabilitation programs for homeless single men. The Committee further recommended that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the lease with Vision House. MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE
Finance: Vouchers
Finance Committee Vice Chair Law presented a report recommending approval of Claim Vouchers 232510 - 233147 and three wire transfers totaling $3,637,993.72; and approval of Payroll Vouchers 54657 - 54877, one wire transfer and 574 direct deposits totaling $1,799,228.45. MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Human Resources:
Reclassification of 18 Positions
Finance Committee Vice Chair Law presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve the reclassification of positions and pay ranges that do not require additional 2004 Budget appropriations as follows:

**Effective 1/1/2003:**
- Building Inspector/Combination, grade a18 to a21, 2004 Budget change is $44,149; and
- Building Inspector/Electrical, grade a18 to a21, $14,927.

**Effective 1/1/2004:**
- Finance Analyst III - New Title: Business Systems Analyst, grade n16 to a23, 2004 Budget change is $4,452;
- Judicial Specialist - New Title: Judicial Specialist/Trainer, grade a08 to a10, $2,196;
- Golf Course Manager, m26 to m32, $6,293;
- Facilities Manager, m26 to m28, $3,516;
- Recreation Manager, m26 to m28, $3,516;
- Park Maintenance Manager, m26 to m28, $3,516;
- Secretary I - New Title: Secretary II, a05 to a07, $1,014;
- Secretary I - New Title: Administrative Secretary/Risk Management Assistant, n05 to n11, $2,040; and
- Assistant Human Resources Analyst - New Title: Benefits Analyst, n11 to m20, $3,888.

**Effective 7/1/2004:**
- Executive Secretary, n13 to m17, 2004 Budget change is $2,372;
- Librarian, a17 to a22, $6,282;
- Library Supervisor, a12 to a17, $3,612;
- Library Assistant I - New Title: Library Assistant II, a03 to a09, $966;
- Facilities Supervisor, a20 to a21, $738;
- Assistant Human Resources Analyst - New Title: Human Resources Analyst, n11 to m20, $1,944; and
- Human Resources Systems Technician, n09 to n11, $1,146.

MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Budget: 2004 Year-End Adjustments
Finance Committee Vice Chair Law presented a report recommending adoption of the 2004 Year-End Budget Adjustments ordinance, which appropriates funds from fund balance and new revenue increasing 2004 expenditures in various funds and departments. This ordinance increases the 2004 Budget by $13,213,500 to a new total of $184,437,200. The Committee further recommended that the ordinance regarding this matter be presented for first reading. MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED. (See page 448 for ordinance.)

Community Services
Community Services Committee Chair Nelson presented a report regarding the
**Committee**

Community Services: Teen Center

establishment of a teen center. The Committee met on 9/13/2004 to discuss the establishment of a teen center in the City of Renton as proposed by Luke Wigren, a Renton High School student. The Recreation Division staff met with Mr. Wigren and other interested students to inform them of teen-oriented activities offered through the Renton recreation program. The students were pleased to discover that many of the activities that they were interested in were already available at the North Highlands Neighborhood Center. Several have become members of the Renton Youth Council to help plan future programs. The Recreation Division staff will continue working with the students to ensure that the teen programs offered meet the needs and interests of the student population.

The Committee therefore recommended no further action be taken on this issue at this time. MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES**

The following resolution was presented for reading and adoption:

**Resolution #3727**

Fire: Haz Mat Equipment, King County Grants

A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into U.S. Department of Homeland Security subgrant agreements with King County, including subgrants for Level A suit SCBA connection pass through devices, waterproof digital cameras, and radiation dosimeters. MOVED BY LAW, 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 12/20/2004 for second and final reading:

**Budget: 2005 Annual City of Renton**

An ordinance was read adopting the annual City of Renton Budget for the year 2005. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/20/2004. CARRIED.

**Budget: 2005 Property Tax Levy**

An ordinance was read establishing the property tax levy for the year 2005 for both general purposes and for voter approved bond issues. MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/20/2004. CARRIED.

**Budget: Water, Sewer & King County Water Treatment Rates**

An ordinance was read amending Section 8-2-2, Storm and Surface Water Drainage, Sections 8-4-24 and 8-4-31 of Chapter 4, Water, and Section 8-5-15 of Chapter 5, Sewers, of Title VIII (Health and Sanitation) of City Code by increasing sanitation fees. MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/20/2004. CARRIED.

**Budget: Community Center Fitness Activities Rates**

An ordinance was read changing the 2005 Renton Community Center fitness activities rates. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY LAW, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

**Budget: Park Picnic Shelter Fees**

An ordinance was read increasing the 2005 park picnic shelter fees. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY LAW, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

**Budget: Photocopy,**
Audio/Video Recording & Facsimile Copies Fees
Schedule, of Title V (Finance and Business Regulations) of City Code by increasing photostatic copies, audio/video recordings, business license lists, and facsimiles fees. MOVED BY PERSSSON, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/20/2004. CARRIED.

Budget: City Center Parking Garage Rates
An ordinance was read amending Section 5-1-6.B of Chapter 1, Fee Schedule, of Title V (Finance and Business Regulations) of City Code by offering a reduced monthly rate to park in the City Center Parking garage and in City surface parking lots for a minimum lease period. MOVED BY PERSSSON, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/20/2004. CARRIED.

Budget: Community Center & Senior Center Rental Rates
An ordinance was read increasing the 2005 Renton Community Center and Senior Activity Center rental rates. MOVED BY PERSSSON, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/20/2004. CARRIED.

Budget: Carco Theatre Rental Rates
An ordinance was read increasing the 2005 Carco Theatre rental rates. MOVED BY PERSSSON, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/20/2004. CARRIED.

Budget: Jail Booking Fees
An ordinance was read establishing a jail booking fee between government agencies and individuals in the amount of $64.83. MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/20/2004. CARRIED.

Budget: 2004 Year-End Adjustments
An ordinance was read providing for the 2004 year-end Budget adjustments in the total amount of $13,213,500. MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/20/2004. CARRIED.

Rezone: Kennydale Elementary School, NE 28th St, R-8 to R-8(P), R-04-101
An ordinance was read changing the zoning classification of the Kennydale Elementary School property from R-8 (Residential Single Family, eight dwelling units per acre) to R-8 with a P-suffix designation attached; 6.68 acres located at 1700 NE 28th St.; R-04-101. MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/20/2004. CARRIED.

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

**Ordinance #5108**
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 Ave. S. to the west and Wells Ave. S. to the east (Savren Service Corporation; VAC-03-002). MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

**Ordinance #5109**
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 ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

**AUDIENCE COMMENT**
Mike O'Halloran, 4420 SE 4th St., Renton, 98059, thanked Council for its
Citizen Comment: O'Halloran - Heather Downs Park Development

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 10:08 p.m.

Bonnie I. Walton, CMC, City Clerk

Recorder: Michele Neumann
December 13, 2004