CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Jesse Tanner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and called the meeting of the Renton City Council to order.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCILMEMBERS
KATHY KEOLKER-WHEELER, Council President; TERRI BRIERE; KING PARKER; DON PERSSON; RANDY CORMAN; TONI NELSON; DAN CLAWSON.

CITY STAFF IN ATTENDANCE
JESSE TANNER, 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; LARRY RUDE, Fire Marshall/Battalion Chief; DEREK TODD, Assistant to the CAO; COMMANDER CURTIS SMALLING, Police Department.

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 2003 and beyond. Items noted included:

- On March 10, 2003, the City of Renton issued a scoping notice marking the start of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) process for The Boeing Company's Renton Plant located on the shores of Lake Washington. The EIS will study four different redevelopment alternatives on Boeing's 280-acre site and the Puget Sound Energy property adjacent to the northeastern corner of Boeing's property. The public can review the alternatives and include input on which environmental issues should be studied and analyzed in the EIS. The scoping comment period runs through March 31, 2003, and copies of the scoping notice can be viewed at Renton City libraries, on the City's website, and at Renton City Hall.

- The Renton Police Department's Citizens Academy begins April 17th, and will meet for twelve weeks on Thursdays, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Class size is limited to 25 students and applications must be received by April 10th.

AUDIENCE COMMENT

Citizen Comment: Johnson – Puget Sound Energy, Power Outages
Arland "Buzz" Johnson, 334 Wells Ave. S., #221, Renton, 98055, reported that he discussed the power outage problems in Renton with a Puget Sound Energy representative and was told that the problems were caused by a burnt wire and that the underground wire system in Renton should be updated. Commenting that this is a long-term solution to the power outage problems, Mr. Johnson asked Council to encourage Puget Sound Energy to consider this solution.

Councilman Persson relayed additional citizen complaints about the power outages, and asked if a meeting could be set up with Puget Sound Energy to discuss the matter. Mayor Tanner stated that a meeting would be arranged.

Citizen Comment: Scappini – Elizabeth Place Plat Tree Replacement, FP-01-004
Terre Scappini, 2400 NE 12th St., Renton, 98056, stated that her property is located to the west of Tract A of the Elizabeth Place housing development in the Renton Highlands. Reporting that the contractor has not yet replaced the trees along the western boundary of Tract A as required by the City of Renton, Ms. Scappini commented that there appears to be no consequences for the contractor's non-compliance. She pointed out that the required underground sprinkler system was also not installed on Tract A, and asked for the City's help...
Stating that Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator Gregg Zimmerman will investigate the matter, Mayor Tanner assured that if the City required the contractor to plant trees and install a sprinkler system, the tasks will be completed.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

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**EDNSP: Appointment of Alex Pietsch as Administrator**

Mayor Tanner requested Council confirmation of his permanent appointment of Alex Pietsch as Economic Development, Neighborhoods and Strategic Planning Administrator.

**Community Services: Trail Connection Naming in Memory of Sam Chastain**

Community Services Department recommended approval to name the planned trail connection from the existing Cedar River Trail to the Southport Development in memory of former Community Services Administrator Sam Chastain. Signage cost is $1,000. Refer to Community Services Committee.

**Development Services: Lauri's Meadow Short Plat, ROW Dedication, Graham Ave NE, SHP-01-016**

Development Services Division recommended acceptance of a deed of dedication for additional right-of-way that consists of a 35-foot wide strip of land along Graham Ave. NE to fulfill a requirement of the Lauri's Meadow Short Plat (SHP-01-016). Council concur.

**Technical Services: Digital Orthophotography Update, Walker & Associates**

Technical Services Division recommended approval of an agreement in the amount of $49,858.75 with Walker & Associates, Inc. to update the City's digital orthophotography and to produce five aerial photographic wall maps. Refer to Utilities Committee.

**Police: 2002 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant**

Police Department recommended setting a public hearing on March 24, 2003, on the 2002 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG). Council concur.

MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Committee of the Whole**

**Community Services: Lake Washington Trail Project**

Council President Keolker-Wheeler presented a report regarding the Lake Washington Trail and habitat enhancement project. The City Council concurred with the recommendation of staff to revise the project scope to include a trail design from Gene Coulon Beach Park to the Cedar River Trail boathouse. Work will include securing the required permits, leases, agreements, construction drawings, and contract documents. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

**ESA: Salmonid Species and Habitat Protection Action Plan**

Council President Keolker-Wheeler presented a report concurring with the recommendation of staff to approve "The City of Renton Action Plan for Protecting Salmonid Species and Habitat," dated July 17, 2002. This document will provide the basis of future work programs to ensure that the City is avoiding "take" of salmonid species within the City limits as defined by the Federal Endangered Species Act. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

**Public Works: Cedar River Sockeye Hatchery Project**

At the request of Council President Keolker-Wheeler, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator Gregg Zimmerman gave a status report on the City of
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Seattle's Cedar River sockeye hatchery project. He explained that Seattle wants to place the brood stock facility close to the mouth of the Cedar River in order to trap a more diverse population of salmon, which will be used to stock the hatchery. Mr. Zimmerman reported that the various locations for the brood stock facility proposed by Seattle were determined to be inappropriate by the City of Renton, especially their preferred alternative of locating it under I-405 within a major recreation area. He noted that the City asked Seattle to locate the facility further upriver, outside of the City limits.

Continuing, Mr. Zimmerman stated that a series of meetings were held, and the Mayor of Seattle asked Renton to reconsider its decision regarding the I-405 site. Mr. Zimmerman concluded that the City still maintains the position that placement of the brood stock facility at that location is an incompatible use.

Council President Keolker-Wheeler expressed her agreement with the City's position, and asked if the facility could be placed there even if the Renton disapproves of the location. Mr. Zimmerman stated that the City has the authority to decide what its property is going to be used for.

Councilman Clawson acknowledged the importance of working with other jurisdictions on salmon restoration, and indicated that he does not have enough information on the matter to make a decision.

Expressing his agreement with the City's position, Councilman Corman noted that the Utilities Committee received a briefing on this matter last year.

MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL REFER THE CITY OF SEATTLE CEDAR RIVER SOCKEYE HATCHERY PROJECT TO THE UTILITIES COMMITTEE. CARRIED.
Apron C Utilities Conversion that Council authorize:

1. An amendment to the 2003 CIP in the amount of $357,624 for this project; and

2. Appropriate and adjust the 2003 Budget for the Airport 402 account by $357,624 from the Airport Reserve Fund.

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

Transportation: Rainier Ave Corridor Study, Mirai Associates Transportation (Aviation) Committee Chair Persson presented a report regarding the Rainier Ave. corridor study. Rainier Ave. is a critical corridor serving the central Renton area with existing operational problems, and it is projected to experience severe congestion in the future. For this reason, the Transportation Systems Division is planning to conduct a comprehensive multimodal study of the Rainier Ave. corridor. This project is listed in the City of Renton 2003-2008 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), as item #39. Transportation Systems proposed contracting with Mirai Associates, Inc. for data collection, multi-modal transportation modeling and analysis, public involvement and outreach activities, and evaluation. This project is tentatively scheduled to begin in March, 2003, with completion in July, 2004.

The Transportation Committee recommended that City Council accept the Rainier Ave. corridor study project and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into the agreement with Mirai Associates, Inc. in the amount of $260,600.

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

Public Safety Committee Fire: Records Management System, Public Safety Consultants Public Safety Committee Chair Clawson presented a report regarding the Fire Department records management implementation contract. The Committee recommended concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve the contract with Public Safety Consultants, Inc. in the amount of $130,000 to implement and integrate the FDM software as specified in the implementation blueprint. The Committee recommended that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement.*

Councilman Clawson stated that once this project is completed, firefighters will have the ability to access computer databases at the operations center from offsite locations which will help, for example, in quickly identifying hazardous material storage sites in a burning building.

*MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY PERSSSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS Resolution #3623 Development Services: St. Anthony's Parish Development Agreement, VAC-00-003 A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a development agreement with St. Anthony's Parish through the corporation of the Catholic Archbishop of Seattle, a corporation sole. (St. Anthony's Parish - Whitworth Ave. S. Vacation; VAC-00-003) MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS Police: Alarm Registration Councilmembers Persson and Briere reported occurrences of citizens who reside in new housing developments not being aware that they need to register their burglar alarms with the Renton Police Department. Councilwoman Nelson stated that alarm companies should be notifying the alarm owners that
registration is required.

Mayor Tanner suggested that the false alarm ordinance be reviewed and possibly amended to include a penalty against alarm companies if they do not notify alarm owners of the registration requirement.

Council discussion ensued regarding alarm registration notification, and it was MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL REFER THE ISSUE OF BURGLAR ALARM REGISTRATION TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 8:17 p.m.

Bonnie I. Walton, City Clerk

Recorder: Michele Neumann
March 10, 2003