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; DAN CLAWSON; TONI NELSON; RANDY CORMAN; DON PERSSON; KING PARKER; TERRI BRIERE.

CITY STAFF IN ATTENDANCE
JESSE TANNER, 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; DENNIS CULP, Community Services Administrator; DEREK TODD, Assistant to the CAO; COMMANDER CURTIS SMALLING, Police Department.

PROCLAMATIONS
A proclamation by Mayor Tanner was read declaring the day of June 5, 2003, to be “Seattle's Union Gospel Mission Day” in the City of Renton, encouraging all citizens to join in this special observance as Seattle's Union Gospel Mission's personalized, holistic approach helps individuals make long-term changes that lead to rewarding and productive lives. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE PROCLAMATION AS READ. CARRIED.

Renton Ahead of the Curve Day – June 7, 2003
A proclamation by Mayor Tanner was read declaring the day of June 7, 2003, to be "Renton Ahead of the Curve Day" in the City of Renton, and inviting the entire community to a grand jubilee taking place in the Piazza on that day. In 1998, the City of Renton partnered with the Renton School District, Renton Technical College, Valley Medical Center, the Greater Renton Chamber of Commerce, and the Renton lodging industry to form the Community Marketing Campaign. The partnership created the slogan "Ahead of the Curve" as part of a nationally recognized community marketing effort that has improved the image of Renton throughout the region. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE PROCLAMATION AS READ. CARRIED.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION
Char Baker, chairman of the Renton Community IKEA Performing Arts Center fundraising committee, presented the final report on the IKEA Performing Arts Center located at Renton High School. She explained that the idea to construct a state-of-the-art performing arts center was formulated when it was discovered that Renton High School was going to be remodeled. It was determined that the performing arts center would cost $1.5 million to construct, and in 1999, the City of Renton pledged $400,000 towards this effort providing that the committee could match the amount. Ms. Baker reported that once the Renton School District agreed to include the performing arts center in the remodel of Renton High School, the fundraising campaign began in earnest resulting in contributions from businesses, including a $500,000 donation from IKEA in exchange for naming rights. She stated that 19 months later, the goal of raising $1.5 million was reached.
Ms. Baker announced that the grand opening of the IKEA Performing Arts Center on June 6 is a private event to honor the contributors, and the community is invited to tour the facility on June 7. In conclusion, Ms. Baker expressed her appreciation to all those who made this project a reality.

Council President Keolker-Wheeler thanked Ms. Baker, saying that she was instrumental in pushing the project forward, and without her, it never would have happened.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**Annexation: Vuong, Anacortes Ave NE & NE 10th St**

This being the date set and proper notices having been posted and published in accordance with local and State laws, Mayor Tanner opened the public hearing to consider the ordinance and R-8 (Residential Single Family; eight dwelling units per acre) zoning for the City-sponsored Vuong Annexation; an approximately 2.7 acre site located east of Anacortes Ave. NE and north of NE 10th St.

Senior Planner Don Erickson stated that this is the second public hearing for prezoning of the subject site, and noted that the City-sponsored annexation will facilitate the construction of a new storm water detention pond to help alleviate flooding in the area. He confirmed that the special annexation election held on April 22 resulted in unanimous approval for the annexation, for the R-8 prezoning, and for the assumption of the voter's fair share of the City's indebtedness.

Mr. Erickson reported that the proposed R-8 zoning for the site, which contains one single-family dwelling, would replace the existing King County R-6 zoning. In regards to public services, he stated that the site is within Water District #90, is within Renton's sewer service area, is serviced by Fire District #25, and exhibits a shortfall of parks. He noted that the fiscal impact to the City is minimal, with an estimated $392 deficit upon annexation and a $107 deficit upon full build out. Mr. Erickson indicated that the proposed annexation is within the best interest and general welfare of the City, and it complies with City policies for annexation and with the review criteria of the King County Boundary Review Board.

In conclusion, Mr. Erickson recommended that Council authorize first reading of the Vuong Annexation ordinance, which provides for: annexation of the 2.7-acre site, assessment and taxation of the area at the same rate on the same basis as property within the City to pay for all or any portion of the outstanding indebtedness of the City, and R-8 zoning of the area.

Public comment was invited. There being none, it was MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELE, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. CARRIED.

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS AS PRESENTED FOR THE VUONG ANNEXATION. CARRIED. (See page 195 for ordinance.)

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

Derek Todd, Assistant to the CAO, 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:
The Association of Washington Cities has awarded first place to the Renton Community IKEA Performing Arts Center project for a 2003 Municipal Achievement Award in the Creating Community Partnerships for over 40,000 populations category.

An official grand opening celebration will take place on June 5 for the new downtown parking garage, City Center Parking.

The Renton Farmers Market opens at the Piazza on June 10, and will be held every Tuesday from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. through September 9.

**AUDIENCE COMMENT**

Citizen Comment: DeMastus – NE 12th St Stop Sign Running

Sandel DeMastus, 1137 Harrington Ave. NE, Renton, 98056, expressed her concern regarding the running of stop signs on NE 12th St., and described an incident that occurred earlier in the day at the intersection of NE 12th St. and Edmonds Ave. NE. Stressing that someone is going to be seriously injured or killed, Ms. DeMastus asked that the City look into the matter.

Mayor Tanner stated that traffic emphasis will be conducted in that area.

Citizen Comment: Lebel – Renton Composite Squadron

1st Lieutenant Stephen Lebel, Renton Composite Squadron Administrative Officer, PO Box 2333, Renton, 98056, thanked Council for its past support of the Renton Composite Squadron, and pledged the squadron's service at Renton Rivers Day this year. He provided an update of the members of the color guard, whose performance at the national color guard competition last year resulted in second place in two of the four events. Additionally, Lieutenant Lebel detailed the squadron's upcoming plans, which includes participating in the Arlington Air Show.

Reporting that the squadron lacks a permanent meeting place, Lieutenant Lebel requested a meeting with Council to discuss the needs of the squadron, and he also offered its services to the City.

MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL REFER THE NEEDS OF THE RENTON COMPOSITE SQUADRON TO THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Items on the consent agenda are adopted by one motion which follows the listing. At the request of Councilmembers, items 8.c and 8.h were removed for separate consideration.

Approval of Council meeting minutes of May 19, 2003. Council concur.


Administrative, Judicial and Legal Services Department requested waiver of permit fees for 2003 Renton River Days activities endorsed by Renton River Days Board of Directors. Staff additionally sought authorization to install River Days banners on City light poles from June 23 through August 8. Council concur.

Community Services Department recommended approval of an agreement with Ivar's Inc. to manage and operate the food and beverage concession facilities at Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park. Financial implications to the City will include $110,000 annual rent, $20,000 for special events, and 12% of net sales above $1.1 million. Council concur.

Court Case: Jessy

Court Case (Summons and Complaint for Damages) filed by John R. Muenster,
June 2, 2003

Frederickson, CRT-03-003

Muenster & Koenig, 1111 3rd Ave., Suite 2220, Seattle, 98104, on behalf of Jessy Frederickson, who seeks compensatory and punitive damages allegedly due to the use of unreasonable force by Renton police officers when he was seized, wounded, and arrested on May 21, 2000. Refer to City Attorney and Insurance Services.

Development Services: Boeing Longacres Office Park, ROW Dedication for SW 27th St

Development Services Division recommended acceptance of a deed of dedication for additional right-of-way from the Boeing Longacres Office Park property to complete the extension of SW 27th St. (aka Strander Blvd.) as a requirement of the Strander Agreement (CAG-02-211) between Boeing and the City. Council concur.

Transportation: Logan Ave Bridge Seismic Retrofit Project, Transfer of Funds

Transportation Systems Division requested authorization to reallocate funds in the amount of $121,000 from the Rainier Ave./SR-167 to S. 2nd St. Corridor Study to the Logan Ave. Bridge Seismic Retrofit Project. Refer to Transportation (Aviation) Committee.

Transportation: Oakesdale Ave SW Ph II Wetland Monitoring, Osborn Pacific Group

Transportation Systems Division recommended approval of a contract with Osborn Pacific Group, Inc. in the amount of $109,657 to conduct environmental monitoring services for the Oakesdale Ave. SW Phase II wetland. Refer to Transportation (Aviation) Committee.

Transportation: Advanced Traffic Management System, Siemens Energy & Automation

Transportation Systems Division requested authorization to accept the proposal submitted by Siemens Energy & Automation, Inc. for a new Advanced Traffic Management System in the amount of $280,000 (plus tax). Refer to Transportation (Aviation) Committee.

Utility: City Code Amends re Utility Rates Remission & Water Meter Service Charges

Utility Systems Division recommended approval of City Code amendments that clarify remission of utility rates, increase water meter shutoff and turn on charges, and add an after-hours charge to turn on meters. Refer to Utilities Committee.

CAG: 00-098, WA City & County Pipeline Safety Consortium

Water Utility Division recommended approval of Amendment #2 to CAG-00-098, Washington City and County Pipeline Safety Consortium interlocal agreement, to extend it through 12/31/2004. Council concur.

MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS AMENDED TO REMOVE ITEMS 8.c. AND 8.h. FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION. CARRIED.

Separate Consideration

Item 8.c.

King County: Budget Advisory Task Force, King County Cities Recommendations

Administrative, Judicial and Legal Services Department recommended adoption of a resolution supporting the Suburban Cities Association, City of Bellevue, and City of Seattle's recommendations to the King County Budget Advisory Task Force (KCBATF).

Councilman Clawson stated that some recommendations discussed in the King County cities' position paper and supported by the City of Renton as noted in Mayor Tanner's letter of May 21, 2003, to KCBATF, concerns the flow of money from incorporated areas to unincorporated areas. He noted that King County is being urged to take steps to extinguish the urban subsidy (regional tax revenues that are supporting local unincorporated services) and re-direct the funds to regional services that benefit city residents as well as residents of unincorporated King County. Although he agrees that King County should be asked to use taxpayer's money more efficiently, Mr. Clawson questioned whether it is realistic to expect that the unincorporated areas will be self-supporting, and whether the cities are asking for something that is unachievable.

Mayor Tanner pointed out that this does not pertain to the unincorporated areas
outside the urban growth line, and he anticipates that King County will always have to subsidize those areas. He commented that the issue of urban subsidies has been before the Council many times, and Council has continually supported this position.

Chief Administrative Officer Jay Covington identified two key issues as follows: 1) the rural areas, or those areas outside the urban growth boundary, cannot pay for themselves and are therefore subsidized by some of the revenues that are received from cities and from King County generally; and 2) as the urban areas have built up, King County has made no effort to recognize that those areas at some point need to become incorporated. Instead, those areas have been developed into a city-like area and unfortunately, King County is not structured to provide services the way cities are. Therefore, these areas have been a drain on King County's budget. He pointed out that King County, by continuing to provide city-like services in these unincorporated urban areas, is using resources that should be re-directed into regional services such as public health and human services.

Mr. Covington stated that over the years, the City has tried to help King County recognize that the unincorporated areas must be taken care of, but "not on the backs" of city residents. Renton residents pay a tax to King County and they ought to expect a level of service in return for that tax.

Mayor Tanner agreed that Renton citizens pay a tax to King County for regional services and they are not receiving those regional services.

Pointing out that King County has historically not encouraged annexations, Mr. Covington commented that residents in unincorporated areas such as West Hill need to recognize that it will take additional resources for infrastructure improvements and they are going to have to tax themselves in order to cover some of these costs. He stated that the King County cities' position paper discusses ways in which King County can address the infrastructure deficits without unreasonably burdening the cities.

MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN CONSENT AGENDA ITEM 8.c. AND APPROVE ADOPTION OF THE RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE KING COUNTY BUDGET ADVISORY TASK FORCE. CARRIED. (See page 194 for resolution.)

Technical Services Division recommended approval of a request and acceptance of $3,850 from Mike Eisenman for an access easement across the northeast corner of a Maplewood Golf Course parcel for ingress to and egress from his property.

MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL REFER CONSENT AGENDA ITEM 8.h. TO THE UTILITIES COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

Correspondence was read from James M. Clayton, III, 17252 128th Ave. SE, Renton, 98058, expressing his support for an off-leash dog park in Renton.

MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL REFER THIS CORRESPONDENCE TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE. CARRIED.

Council President Keolker-Wheeler requested that in her response letter, the
City Clerk inform Mr. Clayton that he does not live within the Renton City limits.

Community Services Committee Chair Nelson presented a report regarding the downtown parking garage (City Center Parking) parking rates. The Committee concurred in the recommendation of staff to approve the parking fee schedule as follows:

0 – 2 hours: Free
2 – 4 hours: $2.00
4 – 6 hours: $4.00
6 + hours: $6.00
Monthly parking: $45.00 per month

The Committee also recommended that these rates take effect on June 8, 2003. The Committee further recommended, in order to have these fees in effect by the date of the garage's scheduled opening, that the ordinance regarding this matter be presented for first and second reading. MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT.*

Responding to Councilwoman Briere's inquiry regarding the hours of operation, Derek Todd, Assistant to the CAO, reported that the garage will be open from 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Sunday through Thursday, and from 6:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday.

Councilman Persson questioned whether the ordinance will preclude the waiver of parking fees for special occasions. City Attorney Larry Warren commented that various fees have been waived in the past for special occasions.

Councilwoman Nelson supported going forward with the ordinance as written, and Mayor Tanner indicated that there are ways the City can waive fees for special occasions such as by resolution or through the consent agenda.

Councilman Corman noted that people can obtain a pass that allows them to use the garage 24 hours a day.

*MOTION CARRIED. (See page 195 for ordinance.)

Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending approval of Claim Vouchers 215501 - 215857 and two wire transfers totaling $2,256,354.21. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

The following resolution was presented for reading and adoption:

Resolution #3638
King County: Budget Advisory Task Force, King County Cities Recommendations

A resolution was read regarding the work of the King County Budget Advisory Task Force. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELE, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

The following ordinance was presented for first reading and referred to the Council meeting of 6/09/2003 for second and final reading:

Annexation: Vuong, Anacortes Ave NE & NE 10th St

An ordinance was read annexing contiguous unincorporated territory known as the Vuong Annexation (2.7 acres located east of Anacortes Ave. NE and north of NE 10th St.) by the election method, and setting the taxation rate,
establishing zoning classification, and fixing the effective date of the annexation. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 6/09/2003. CARRIED.

The following ordinance was presented for first reading and advanced for second and final reading:

**Community Services: City Center Parking, Parking Rates**

An ordinance was read amending Chapter 5-1, Fee Schedule, of Title V (Business), and Chapter 10-10, Parking Regulations, of Title X (Traffic) of City Code by setting parking fees and parking restrictions for the City Center Parking garage and making violations thereof an infraction. MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL ADVANCE THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING. CARRIED.

**Ordinance #5011**

Community Services: City Center Parking, Parking Rates

Following second and final reading of the above-referenced ordinance, it was MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Planning: Heavy Industrial Zone Development Moratorium

Council President Keolker-Wheeler announced that there will be a public hearing on June 9, 2003, regarding the extension of the moratorium on development in the Heavy Industrial (IH) Zone, which expires on June 13. Council action concerning extending or not extending the moratorium may be taken after the public hearing. She explained that because of the short notice, those that are unable to testify in person on June 9, may mail, e-mail, or fax comments to the Council. Additionally, for those who are unable to attend the Council meeting on June 9 and want to testify in person, they can comment during the audience comment portion of the Council meeting on June 16. She noted that if late comment is taken on June 16, Council may decide to reconsider its actions, if any, that are taken on June 9.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 8:46 p.m.

Bonnie I. Walton, City Clerk

Recorder: Michele Neumann

June 2, 2003