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; TONI NELSON; DAN CLAWSON. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCILMAN RANDY CORMAN. CARRIED.

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; SANDRA MEYER, Transportation Systems Director; NICK AFZALI, Transportation Planning & Programming Supervisor; LESLIE LAHNNDT, Transportation Design Supervisor; DEREK TODD, Assistant to the CAO; COMMANDER KATHLEEN MCCLINCY, Police Department.

PUBLIC HEARING

Transportation: Six-Year TIP (2004-2009)

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 annual update of the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), 2004 – 2009.

Sandra Meyer, Transportation Systems Director, stated that the TIP was reviewed with the Transportation Advisory Committee and she shared their comments with Council including their question regarding the recently adopted five-cent per gallon gas tax. Ms. Meyer reported that, in Renton, the tax will fund one southbound general purpose lane from the SR-169 to the SR-167 interchange, and one northbound general purpose lane from SR-181 to the interchange.

Nick Afzali, Transportation Planning & Programming Supervisor, explained that the TIP is mandated by State law and is a multi-year work and funding plan for facilities within the City. The TIP supports many efforts including the Comprehensive Plan, Growth Management Act, and the City ’s Business Plan goals. The transportation goals include multi-modal services, arterial improvements, and transit services.

Mr. Afzali reviewed the challenges and opportunities faced by the City, which include the SW 27th St. and Strander Blvd. extension; Rainier Ave. corridor study and improvements; I-405 and North Renton improvements; and Duvall Ave. improvements. He described the various funding sources for the transportation projects and the various grants received in 2002, which total $1,810,554. Mr. Afzali stated that the total expenditure plan over the next six years is $124,464,695 of which $28,619,146 is funded and $95,845,549 is unfunded.

Continuing, Mr. Afzali reported that three new projects were added to the TIP: the Logan Ave. concrete panel repair; the Carr Rd. SE and Mill Ave. SE traffic light; and the Lake Washington Blvd. slip plane. He presented a pictorial of projects that were or will be completed this year which include: Oakesdale Ave. SW Phase II; SW 27th St. and Strander Blvd. project definition; SR-169 HOV and queue jump improvements; NE 3rd and 4th Streets project; walkway
study; Logan Ave. bridge seismic retrofit; NE Sunset Blvd./Anacortes Ave. NE; 2030 traffic forecasting model; S. 2nd St. traffic light; Grady Way approaches; and Southport railroad crossings. In conclusion, Mr. Afzali stated that the Transportation Systems Division has worked hard to ensure that the 2004-2009 TIP is a sound planning and budget document.

Councilman Clawson expressed his concern regarding the addition of the gas-tax-funded lanes on I-405 and the compatibility with the long-term construction plans for the I-405 corridor. Mr. Afzali stated that City staff shares this concern and will meet with the Washington State Department of Transportation soon to discuss the matter.

Councilman Parker stated how impressed he was with the last open house at which the NE 3rd and 4th Streets project design was discussed.

Public comment was invited. There being none, it was MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. CARRIED. (See page 237 for Transportation Committee report.)

**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:

- The City’s 2003 Parade Float received the Crowd Pleaser Award at the Marysville Strawberry Festival Parade on June 21. The float features elements of a Farmers Market with three colorful awnings covering large-scale fruits and vegetables, giant flowers, large wicker baskets, and moveable parts.

- All lanes of SR-167, between S. 180th St. and S. 212th St, will be closed continually from Friday, July 18, at 10:00 p.m. until Monday, July 21, at 5:00 a.m. due to the Springbrook Creek culvert replacement project.

- The 2003 Renton Drinking Water Quality Report has been completed indicating all drinking water, including water from the Downtown, Springbrook Springs, and Maplewood wells, meets or exceeds federal and state drinking water quality standards.

**AUDIENCE COMMENT**

- Citizen Comment: DeMastus - Highlands Community Association, Fireworks Ban
  Sandel DeMastus, Highlands Community Association President, 1137 Harrington Ave. NE, Renton, 98056, reported that there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony this Saturday for the Highlands neighborhood entry sign located on NE 4th St. Additionally, Ms. DeMastus encouraged the City to ban fireworks.

- Citizen Comment: Knippel - Musicians Hall (Logan Ave S), Neighborhood Disturbance
  Jackie Knippel, 97 Logan Ave. S., Renton, 98055, voiced her concerns regarding the summertime Saturday night parties held at the Musicians Hall located at 126 Logan Ave. S. Reporting that she woke up to gunshots two weeks ago, Ms. Knippel stressed that the parties are very disturbing and requested that the hall be shut down.

  Councilman Clawson requested a report of the situation from Police Chief Anderson.

- Citizen Comment: McLuen - Musicians Hall (Logan Ave S), Neighborhood Disturbance
  Aaron McLuen, 117 Burnett Pl. S., Renton, 98055, echoed the previous speaker’s comments regarding the Musicians Hall, pointing out that the hall is rented out for parties and is poorly managed. He explained that during the week
everything is fine; however, problems consistently occur every Saturday night from May through September. He detailed the disturbances caused by the Saturday night activities and noted that the disturbances have been reported to the police over the years. Mr. McLuen stated that he is concerned about public safety and emphasized that these activities are not suitable for this semi-residential, semi-business area. He asked for the City's help in addressing this problem.

Citizen Comment: Gensler - Musicians Hall (Logan Ave S), Neighborhood Disturbance

Ginny Gensler, 101 Burnett Pl. S., Renton, 98055, also spoke on the issue of the Musicians Hall, stating that she was terrified when she heard the gunshots. She indicated that Renton is working hard to revitalize the downtown area and attract new businesses and worried that the disturbances may cause businesses and people not to locate in Renton. Ms. Gensler stated that something needs to be done; be it shutting down the hall, increasing police presence, or requiring the hall to provide security.

Mayor Tanner assured the speakers that the matter will be investigated.

Stating that he also received a citizen complaint regarding the matter, it was MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL REFER THE MUSICIANS HALL SAFETY CONCERNS TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

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Development Services: Street Light System Fee, City Code Amend

Development Services Division recommended approval to amend City Code (RMC 4-1-180) to add a $300 street light system connection charge to the public works fees. Refer to Utilities Committee.

Public Works: Cedar River Spawning Channel Replacement Project, DNR Aquatic Lands Easement

Surface Water Utility Division recommended approval of an aquatic lands easement with the State of Washington Department of Natural Resources due to the need to construct the inlet culvert and outflow channel for the Cedar River Spawning Channel Replacement Project on State shore lands of the Cedar River. Authorization was also sought to certify the land rights for the project. Council concur. (See page 237 for resolution.)

CAG: 03-050, 2003 Slurry Seal, Blackline Inc

Transportation Systems Division submitted CAG-03-050, 2003 Slurry Seal; and requested approval of the project, authorization for final pay estimate in the amount of $65,513.71, commencement of 60-day lien period, and release of retained amount of $3,448.09 to Blackline, Inc., contractor, if all required releases are obtained. Council concur.

Streets: S Grady Way Westbound Lanes Weekend Closures

Transportation Systems Division requested authorization for two weekend closures (7:00 a.m. Saturday to 5:00 a.m. Monday) of the westbound lanes of S. Grady Way from Shattuck Ave. S. to Rainier Ave. S. between August 1 and September 30, 2003, for the S. Grady Way Pavement Rehabilitation Project. Council concur. (See page 237 for resolution.)

SAD: East Kennydale Sanitary Sewer Infill Phase II

Utility Systems Division requested authorization to establish the East Kennydale Sanitary Sewer Infill Phase II Special Assessment District in the estimated amount of $801,097.66 to ensure that project costs are equitably distributed to those who benefit. Refer to Utilities Committee.

MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.
Streets: S Grady Way
Westbound Lanes Weekend Closures

Commenting on consent agenda item 6.e., S. Grady Way westbound lanes weekend closures, Councilman Perssson emphasized the importance of the S. Grady Way Pavement Rehabilitation Project, stating that it would be hard to complete without traffic disruptions.

Added
CORRESPONDENCE

Citizen Comment: Nelson - Off-Leash Dog Park

Correspondence was read from Mary and Kevin Nelson, 17252 128th Ave. SE, Renton, 98058, expressing support for an off-leash dog park in Renton.

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

Citizen Comment: Johnson - Fireworks Ban

Correspondence was read from Marci Johnson, 510 Stevens Ave. SW, S404, Renton, 98055, requesting that Renton ban the use of fireworks. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELEER, COUNCIL REFER THIS CORRESPONDENCE TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

Citizen Comment: Marconi et al - Smithers Ave S Closure

A petition containing 13 signatures was read submitted by Mary and Terry Marconi, 2114 Smithers Ave. S., Renton, 98055, requesting the closure of Smithers Ave. S. at SW 21st St. for the following reasons: excessive vehicle speed, excessive vehicle usage; hazardous corner (Smithers and 21st), drainage and surface conditions, and pedestrian endangerment due to lack of shoulder.

MOVED BY PERRSSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL REFER THIS PETITION TO THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS
Utilities Committee

Utilities Committee Vice Chair Briere presented a report recommending concurrence in the recommendation of the Planning/Building/Public Works Department that the East Valley Lift Station Replacement Project be awarded to Stouder General Construction, LLC, in the amount of $607,321.60.

The Committee further recommended that funds totaling $250,000 be transferred from Wastewater Account 421.000400.018.5960.0035.65.045000 (WO# 45365 Central Plateau Interceptor) to Wastewater Account 421.000400.018.5960.0035.65.045010 (WO# 45360 East Valley Lift Station Replacement) to cover the cost of the project. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Utility: Olympia Ave NE
Utilities Installation, Urban Craft Development Request for Cost Sharing

Utilities Committee Vice Chair Briere presented a report recommending concurrence in the recommendation of the Planning/Building/Public Works Department that Council approve the request by Urban Craft Development to have the Water Utility and Wastewater Utility reimburse the developer for the actual costs of the extension of the water and sanitary sewer lines that do not directly benefit the developer.

The Committee also recommended that Council authorize the Administration to allow reimbursement by the City based upon final construction costs of the above utilities not to exceed $35,075 for the Water Utility and $37,700 for the Wastewater Utility. If final project costs exceed this amount, then the developer shall request such additional funding through City Council. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

In response to Council President Keolker-Wheeler's inquiry, Councilwoman Briere stated that the location of the utility extension is Olympia Ave. NE, north
Finance Committee
Finance: Vouchers
Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending approval of Claim Vouchers 216400 - 215817 and three wire transfers totaling $2,758,538.57; and approval of Payroll Vouchers 44706 - 44958, one wire transfer and 575 direct deposits totaling $1,725,448.82. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Transportation (Aviation) Committee
Transportation: Six-Year TIP (2004-2009)
Transportation (Aviation) Committee Chair Persson presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation that Council approve the proposed 2004 – 2009 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Arterial Street Plan. The Committee further recommended that the resolution regarding this matter be presented for reading and adoption. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED. (See later this page for resolution.)

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Resolution #3644
Public Works: Cedar River Spawning Channel Replacement Project, DNR Aquatic Lands Easement
A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an interlocal cooperative agreement with the State of Washington Department of Natural Resources for an aquatic lands easement for the Cedar River Spawning Channel Replacement Project. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

Resolution #3645
Streets: S Grady Way Westbound Lanes Weekend Closures
A resolution was read authorizing the temporary closure of the westbound lanes of S. Grady Way, between Shattuck Ave. S. and Rainier Ave. S., for a period of six days (consecutive or non-consecutive) between August 1 and September 30, 2003, for the S. Grady Way Pavement Rehabilitation Project. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

Resolution #3646
Transportation: Six-Year TIP (2004-2009)
A resolution was read updating the City's Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program, 2004-2009. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

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

Ordinance #5014
SAD: East Kennydale Sanitary Sewer Infill Phase I
An ordinance was read establishing an assessment district for sanitary sewer service for properties adjacent to Monterey Ct. NE, NE 16th St., Blaine Ave. NE, Camas Ave. NE, Dayton Ave. NE, Edmonds Ave. NE, and Monterey Ave. NE, and establishing the amount of the charge upon connection to the facilities. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

AJLS: Sister City Cuautla, Jalisco, Mexico, Renton Visit
Responding to Council President Keolker-Wheeler's inquiry regarding the dates of the Cuautla, Jalisco, Mexico sister city delegation visit to Renton, Derek Todd, Assistant to the CAO, stated that the delegates will arrive on September 22 and leave on September 25.

Board/Commission: Planning Commission, Boeing EIS
Council President Keolker-Wheeler announced that the Planning Commission will discuss the Boeing Environmental Impact Statement at 6:00 p.m. on July 30th. Additionally, she announced that the draft Boeing Environmental Impact
Statement will be released tomorrow.

Councilman Persson requested the status of an allegedly stolen Bobcat tractor from the waterline right-of-way on June 24.

EXECUTIVE SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR APPROXIMATELY 15 MINUTES TO DISCUSS LITIGATION WITH NO OFFICIAL ACTION TO BE TAKEN AND THE COUNCIL MEETING BE ADJOURNED WHEN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION IS ADJOURNED. CARRIED. Time: 8:46 p.m.

Executive session was conducted. There was no action taken. The executive session and the Council meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m..

Bonnie I. Walton, City Clerk

Recorder: Michele Neumann
July 7, 2003