November 26, 2007
Monday, 7 p.m.

MINUTES
Renton City Hall

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

ROLL CALL OF COUNCILMEMBERS
TONI NELSON, Council President; DENIS LAW; TERRI BRIERE; MARCIE PALMER; DON PERSSON; RANDY CORMAN. MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY LAW, COUNCIL EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCILMEMBER DAN CLAWSON. CARRIED.

CITY STAFF IN ATTENDANCE
KATHY KEOLKER, 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; SUZANNE DALE ESTEY, Economic Development Director; MICHAEL BAILEY, Finance and Information Services Administrator; GERALD RERECICH, Recreation Director; SONJA MEJLAENDER, Community Relations and Event Coordinator; DEPUTY CHIEF CHUCK DUFFY, Fire Department; COMMANDER DAVID LEIBMAN, Police Department.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION
Community Event: July 4th
Community Relations and Event Coordinator Mejlaender presented a report on the 2007 Revo225's Fabulous 4th of July celebration held at Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park. She stated that the event focused on features for the whole family, including children's activities, live entertainment, professional fireworks display, on-site concessions, and free shuttle service. Ms. Mejlaender recognized the efforts of the City departments that contributed their expertise and resources for the safe and successful event.

Ms. Mejlaender reported that the cost of the 4th of July event to the City, which was offset by $28,000 in sponsorship revenue, totaled $55,294.56. She noted that the event directly relates to the increase in community business revenue, the decline in fire-related incidents, and the opportunity for spin-off events such as the 4th of July Fireworks Paddle. Ms. Mejlaender concluded by listing the future plans for the 2008 celebration.

Responding to Councilmember Briere's inquiry, Ms. Mejlaender reported that approximately 25,000 people attended the 4th of July event.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT
Chief Administrative Officer 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 2007 and beyond. Items noted included:

* Ivar's Clam Lights at Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park begins November 30 and runs through January 1.

* Visit Santa at his house at the southwest corner of S. 3rd St. and Wells Ave. S. on Fridays and Saturdays from December 7 to 22.

AUDIENCE COMMENT
Citizen Comment: Wagner - Street Renaming, SE Petrovitsky Rd & Smithers
Christopher Wagner (Benson Hill Communities Annexation area in King County) requested the renaming of two roadways upon successful annexation into the City of Renton. He reported that the various names of the first roadway, known as SE Petrovitsky Rd., SE 176th St., SE Carr Rd., S. 43rd St.,
Ave S SW 43rd St., and SE 180th St., cause confusion to those who visit residents and businesses located on this road. For consistency, Mr. Wagner recommended that one name be used from the eastern to western City limits.

Continuing, Mr. Wagner stated that the second roadway is known as Smithers Ave. S., Talbot Rd. S., Benson Dr. S., 108th Ave. SE, and Benson Rd. S. He noted the problem he has had in explaining to emergency dispatch the difference between the two Bensons. To create a greater distinction between Benson Dr. and Benson Rd., Mr. Wagner recommended renaming the roadway SE Benson Ave.

MOVED BY PERSSSON, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL REFER THE ISSUE OF RENAMING THE ROADWAYS TO THE TRANSPORTATION (AVIATION) COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

Citizen Comment: Young - Congressional Outreach, Dave Reichert

Tom Young (Mercer Island) introduced himself as the Constituents Services Manager for Congressman Dave Reichert, and reported on the services offered to constituents and cities in an official capacity, which include assisting citizens who have issues with federal agencies such as the Veterans Administration, assisting citizens to find grant opportunities, and assisting cities with appropriation requests.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

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Plat: Honeybrook Circle Division II, NE 7th St, PP-07-085

Hearing Examiner recommended approval, with conditions, of the Honeybrook Circle Division II Preliminary Plat; 26 single-family lots located at 4915 NE 7th St. Council concur.

Airport: T-Hangar Lease Rate Increase

Transportation Systems Division requested approval of a rent increase for all City-owned T-Hangar units at the airport from $285 to $301.31 per month plus leasehold excise tax. Council concur.

Added Item 6.d.

Appointment: Municipal Arts Commission

Mayor Keolker appointed the following individuals to the Municipal Arts Commission: Doug Kyes, to fill a vacated unexpired term expiring on 12/31/2008 (position previously held by Roosevelt Lewis); and Frederick Lund, to fill a term expiring on 12/31/2010 (position previously held by Patricia Riggs). Refer to Community Services Committee.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Committee of the Whole

Finance: Bond Issuance, Utility Capital Projects

MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL AUTHORIZE THAT THE 2008 BOND SALE RESOLUTION BE READ LATER IN THE MEETING. CARRIED. (See page 406 for resolution.)

Public Safety Committee

CAG: 95-087, King County Fire Protection District #25

Public Safety Committee Chair Law presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve the contract addendum to extend Renton's operating agreement with King County Fire District #25 for two additional years, through 2009. The Committee further recommended that the resolution regarding this matter be presented for reading and adoption.

MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY PERSSSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN
Public Safety Committee Chair Law presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an agreement with Kameron C. Cayce & Associates for public defense services for the years 2008-2010. MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Finance Committee Chair Persson presented a report recommending adoption of the 2007 year-end budget amendments ordinance, which appropriates funds from fund balance and new revenue increasing the 2007 expenditures in various funds and departments. This ordinance increases the 2007 budgeted expenditures by $3,584,104 and increases the revenue estimates by $7,726,095 for a net change of $4,141,991. The Committee further recommended that the ordinance regarding this matter be presented for first reading. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY LAW, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED. (See later this page for ordinance.)

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Resolution #3919  
Finance: Bond Issuance, Utility Capital Projects  
A resolution was read approving the sale of the City's Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2008A, and Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2008B (Taxable), in the aggregate principal amounts of $9,975,000 and $2,035,000, respectively, to provide funds for the purpose of financing the costs of carrying out certain capital improvements of the waterworks utility; and approving the sale of such bonds to Seattle-Northwest Securities Corporation, all in accordance with Ordinance 5313. MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

Resolution #3920  
CAG: 95-087, King County Fire Protection District #25  
A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an addendum to the interlocal cooperative agreement with King County Fire District #25 regarding continuing operation of Fire District #25 by the Renton Fire Department. MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

The following ordinance was presented for first reading and referred to the Council meeting of 12/3/2007 for second and final reading:

Ordinance #5319  
Utility: 2008 Rates  
An ordinance was read amending Chapter 2, Storm and Surface Water, Chapter 4, Water, and Chapter 5, Sewer, of Title VII (Health and Sanitation) of City Code to allow for adjustments to current utility rates. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.
Ordinance #5320  
AJLS: Benson Hill  
Communities Annexation,  
Budget Amend

An ordinance was read amending the 2007 Budget for purchase of equipment and recruitment and hiring of personnel in the total amount of $763,438, for the Benson Hill Communities Annexation, conditioned on official notice of an affirmative vote. MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

Ordinance #5321  
Community Services:  
Maplewood Golf Course Fees

An ordinance was read amending Chapter 1, Fee Schedule, of Title V (Finance and Business Regulations) of City Code by increasing certain golf course green fees and adding a driving range fee. MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

Ordinance #5322  
Budget: 2008 Property Tax Levy

An ordinance was read establishing the property tax levy for the year 2008 for both general purposes and for voter approved bond issues. MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 7:38 p.m.

Recorder: Michele Neumann  
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