CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Rich Zwicker called the meeting of the Renton City Council to order and invited Girl Scout Troop 40546 to present the national and state colors and lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCILMEMBERS

RICH ZWICKER, Mayor Pro Tem; GREG TAYLOR; RANDY CORMAN; MARCIE PALMER; ED PRINCE; TERRI BRIERE. MOVED BY TAYLOR, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCILMEMBER DON PERRSON. CARRIED.

CITY STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; LAWRENCE J. WARREN, City Attorney; BONNIE WALTON, City Clerk; ALEX PIETSCH, Community & Economic Development Administrator; IWEN WANG, Administrative Services Administrator; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Public Works Administrator; CHIP VINCENT, Planning Director; ANGIE MATHIAS, Associate Planner; DEPUTY CHIEF ERIK WALLGREN, Fire & Emergency Services Department; COMMANDER PAUL CLINE, Police Department.

PROCLAMATION

Girl Scout Week - March 12 to 16, 2012

A proclamation by Mayor Law was read declaring March 12 to 16, 2012 to be “Girl Scout Week” in the City of Renton and encouraging all citizens to join in this special observance by recognizing the many achievements and contributions of Girl Scouts in the Renton community. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY PRINCE, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE PROCLAMATION. CARRIED.

Girl Scouts of Western Washington Cadet Leader Heather Smith accepted the proclamation. She stated that 2012 marks 100 years of Girl Scouts, an organization that helps foster courage, confidence and character for girls. Ms. Smith listed some of the troop’s accomplishments, including collecting food, wrapping presents, ringing bells for the Salvation Army, raising money and supplies for homeless children in the Kent School District, and volunteering at a local animal shelter. She thanked Council for joining the Governor and other officials in recognizing the work Girl Scouts do for the community.

MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY PRINCE, COUNCIL SUSPEND THE RULES AND ADVANCE TO ITEM 5., APPEAL, ON THE AGENDA. CARRIED.

APPEAL

Planning and Development Committee Chair Prince presented a report regarding the Horne Rezone appeal. The Committee recommended that the Renton City Council reverse the decision of the Hearing Examiner and deny the Applicant/Respondent’s request to re-zone the subject properties R-1 (one dwelling unit per net acre) to R-4 (four dwelling units per net acre). The Committee found a substantial error in law or fact in the Hearing Examiner’s report. The Committee further recommended that the City Council adopt the following amendment to the Hearing Examiner’s Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommendation:
• Conclusion 15 should be amended to read: “City Staff contend that the area should not be re-zoned to four dwelling units per net acre because this increased development density would conflict with the recommendations of the May Creek Basin Action Plan. The Applicant noted that there are no critical areas on the subject site. However, the R-1 zoning designation is based on the area and whether there are sensitive areas in the area, not only on an individual or subject property. Furthermore, City policy does not require that the site/lot contain “critical” areas, only that there is a critical area in the vicinity of the site/lot.”

• All other conclusions should be deleted.
• The Decision should be amended to recommend denial of the Applicant’s re-zone request.

MOVED BY PRINCE, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

PUBLIC HEARING
Annexation: Windstone V, North of Sunset Blvd N & East of Jericho Ave NE

This being the date set and proper notices having been posted and published in accordance with local and State laws, Mayor Pro Tem Zwicker opened the public hearing to consider the 60% Notice of Intent to Commence Annexation Proceedings petition and zoning for the proposed Windstone V Annexation; 4.3 acres located south of NE 16th St., if extended, west but not abutting 148th Ave. SE, north of NE Sunset Blvd., and east of Jericho Ave. NE, if extended.

Community and Economic Development Administrator Alex Pietsch introduced Associate Planner Angie Mathias. Ms. Mathias reported that the annexation site is within the City’s potential annexation area and contains single-family lots and vacant land. She remarked that there are no regulated slopes, and there is a Class IV waterway along a significant portion of the eastern boundary. Ms. Mathias stated that public services are currently provided by Eastside Fire, Water District #90, Renton sewer service, and the Issaquah School District.

Reviewing the site’s zoning, Ms. Mathias stated that existing King County zoning is R-4 (four dwelling units per gross acre). She stated that the City’s Comprehensive Plan designates the site as Residential Low Density and that the area was pre-zoned as R-5 (five dwelling units per net acre). However, R-5 is no longer a valid zone so new zoning will have to be adopted as part of the annexation process.

Regarding the fiscal impact analysis, Ms. Mathias reported that currently there would be $5,034 in revenues and $3,843 in costs annually to the City’s Operating Fund, which would change to $16,881 in revenues and $14,107 in costs if the projected additional eight dwelling units are built over the next ten years. Additionally, Ms. Mathias reported that there would be $1,137 in revenues and $478 in costs to the City’s Capital and Enterprise Funds, which would change to $11,776 in revenues and $6,310 in costs if the projected build-out occurs over the ten-year period.

Concluding, Ms. Mathias stated that the proposed annexation is generally consistent with City annexation policies and Boundary Review Board objectives, and the City’s best interests and general welfare would be served by this annexation.
Public comment was invited.

Steven Beck (Renton) expressed support for the Windstone V annexation area coming into the City with an R-4 (four dwelling units per net acre) zoning designation. He explained that the area can only be zoned R-1 (one dwelling unit per net acre) or R-4, and the R-1 zone is reserved for areas containing pervasive critical or sensitive areas. Mr. Beck stated that there is an argument that because the Windstone site is within the greater May Creek Basin area, and this basin contains pervasive critical areas, then the Windstone site should be denied an R-4 zoning designation. He refuted this argument by explaining that much of the greater May Creek area is zoned at a higher density than R-4, and the small stream known as Greenes Creek is barely within the annexation area.

Continuing, Mr. Beck explained that the definition of pervasive is to become spread throughout all parts thereof and pointed out that critical areas are clearly not spread throughout all parts of the May Creek Basin. He reiterated his opinion that the area deserves an R-4 zoning designation because there are no pervasive critical areas at this site.

There being no further public comment, it was MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY PRINCE, COUNCIL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. CARRIED.

MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY PRINCE, COUNCIL ACCEPT THE 60% DIRECT PETITION FOR THE WINDSTONE V ANNEXATION, AND AUTHORIZE FORWARDING THE NOTICE OF INTENT PACKAGE TO THE BOUNDARY REVIEW BOARD. CARRIED.

Kimberly Danke and her daughter, Irissa, (Renton) expressed support for the renewal of Cascade Canoe & Kayak Club’s lease of the Boathouse on Lake Washington. Irissa Danka spoke of the impact the club has had in teaching her life-skills, including responsibility, patience, strength, and self-esteem. Ms. Danke shared her experiences growing up in Renton, and the impact the club has had on her family. She also noted that the club is a more affordable activity than gymnastics and dance classes.

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


Mayor Law appointed the following individuals to the City Center Community Advisory Board for terms expiring on 7/1/2015: Angelina Benedetti, George Daniels, Dana Rochex, James Stanek, Sybil Turner, Ray Giometti, Doug Baugh, Nancy Eklund, Michael Bowman, Rodney Swift, Jerry Kavesh, Suzanne Thompson, Chris Aird, Shasta McKinley, and Brian Van Houten; and terms expiring on 7/1/2017: Francine Siverts, Kim Sweet, and Mike O’Donin. Refer to Community Services Committee.

Fire and Emergency Services Department recommended approval of the City of Renton Hazard Mitigation Plan, to supersede the plan adopted December 22, 2003. Refer to Public Safety Committee; set public hearing on 4/2/2012.
CAG: 11-043, Highlands to Landing Pedestrian Connection, Otak Inc

Transportation Systems Division recommended approval of Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to CAG-11-043, contract with Otak, Inc., in the amount of $209,000 for final design services on the Highlands to Landing Pedestrian Connection project. Council concur.

CAG: 08-202, Solid Waste Services, Waste Management

Utility Systems Division recommended approval of Solid Waste Contract Amendment No. 1 to CAG-08-202, with Waste Management, Inc. allowing use of the Consumer Price Index for annual contractor compensation changes; and requested approval of a one-time lump sum payment of approximately $36,000 by the City to reimburse for changes to the State’s Business and Occupation tax rate. Refer to Utilities Committee.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Transportation (Aviation) Committee

Transportation: Taxiway Bravo Rehabilitation, Reid Middleton

Transportation (Aviation) Committee Chair Corman presented a report recommending concurrence with staff recommendation to approve a contract with Reid Middleton, Inc. in the amount of $415,297 to complete the Engineering and Design Engineering Phase II for the Airport Taxiway Bravo Rehabilitation project. The Committee further recommended that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the contract. MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Utilities Committee

Utility: Automatic Meter Reading Program

Utilities Committee Chair Taylor presented a report stating that the Committee was briefed on the Automatic Meter Reader Program including a status update on the installation of the meters, and the leak detection and reporting capabilities of the program. The Committee recommended concurrence in the staff recommendation to close this referral with no action required. MOVED BY TAYLOR, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Utilities Committee

Utility: 2012 Hydraulic Model Update, Roth Hill Engineers

Utilities Committee Chair Taylor presented a report recommending concurrence with staff recommendation to approve a consultant agreement with Roth Hill, LLC, in the amount of $201,400, for engineering services for the 2012 Hydraulic Model Update project, and also approve the proposed 2013 Capital Expenditure for this project, in the amount of $200,000. The Committee further recommended that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the agreement. MOVED BY TAYLOR, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Citizen Comment: Montoure - Property of Sunset Blvd

MOVED BY PRINCE, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL REFER CORRESPONDENCE FROM HOWARD MONTOURE REGARDING THE PROPERTY AT 60 SW SUNSET BLVD. TO THE ADMINISTRATION. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY PRINCE, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED.

Time: 7:35 p.m.

Bonnie I. Walton, CMC, City Clerk

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