RENTON CITY COUNCIL  
Regular Meeting  

May 14, 2001  
Council Chambers  
Monday, 7:30 p.m.  

M I N U T E S  
Municipal Building  

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  
DAN CLAWSON, Council President; KATHY KEOLKER-WHEELER; KING  
PARKER; DON PERSSON; RANDY CORMAN; TONI NELSON.  
MOVE BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL EXCUSE  
ABSENT COUNCILWOMAN TERRI BRIERE. CARRIED.  

CITY STAFF IN  
ATTENDANCE  
JESSE TANNER, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer;  
ZANETTA FONTES, Assistant City Attorney; MARILYN PETERSEN, City  
Clerk; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Planning/Building/Public Works; DEREK  
TODD, Assistant to the CAO; ACTING DEPUTY CHIEF KEVIN  
MILOSEVICH, Police Department.  

PRESS  
Oscar Halpert, Renton Reporter  

PROCLAMATIONS  
“American Legion Auxiliary  
Poppy Sales Days” – May 18 to 30, 2001  
A proclamation by Mayor Tanner was read, declaring the days of May 18th  
through 30th, 2001, to be “American Legion Auxiliary Poppy Sales Days” in  
the City of Renton, and encouraging Renton citizens to wear a poppy as a sign  
of gratitude to the men and women of our country who have risked their lives in  
defense of the freedom we continue to enjoy as Americans. MOVE BY  
CORMAN, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE  
PROCLAMATION AS READ. CARRIED.  

Loma Taylor accepted the proclamation on behalf of the American Legion and  
stressed that all money received from the sale of poppies within Renton will be  
used to assist veterans residing in the Renton community.  

“Salvation Army Week” –  
May 13 to 19, 2001  
A proclamation by Mayor Tanner was read, declaring the week of May 13th  
through 19th, 2001, to be “Salvation Army Week” in the City of Renton,  
recognizing that the Salvation Army Renton Corps helps the Renton  
Community by operating a food bank, providing emergency assistance and  
referrals to local services. MOVE BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY  
PERSSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE PROCLAMATION. CARRIED.  

Captain Michael Beauchamp, Renton Salvation Army, accepted the  
proclamation and expressed his appreciation to all of the Salvation Army  
volunteers and Advisory Councilmembers.  

SPECIAL PRESENTATION  
Human Services: Business  
Committed to Kids Award  
(Communities in Schools of Renton)  
Jay Leviton, Director of the Renton School District’s Career & Life Skills  
Education program, announced that The Boeing Company was chosen as the  
latest recipient of the “Business Committee to Kids” award. Mr. Leviton  
described the many contributions Boeing makes to children within the Renton  
community, saying that Boeing is instrumental in the success of the Accelerated  
Reader Program and the Gear-Up Project. Joyce Walters accepted the award on  
behalf of The Boeing Company.  

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 2001 and beyond. Items noted  
include:
The sidewalks have been completed and trees planted on the east side of Wells Ave. S. from S. 2nd St. to the river.

The annual miniature horse figurine show will be held at the Renton Community Center from Friday, May 18th through Sunday, May 20th.

The Young Musicians Showcase will be held on May 20th from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Carco Theater.

Public Works: Olympic Pipe Line Hydrostatic Testing

Gregg Zimmerman, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator briefed Council on the hydrostatic pressure testing being conducted by Olympic Pipe Line Company on its 16-inch pipeline. The pipeline that runs through Renton has been closed since the pipeline explosion in Bellingham approximately two years ago. Stating that the Federal Office of Pipeline Safety requires rigorous testing of the pipeline before it can be reopened, Mr. Zimmerman described the types of tests that are being conducted.

Continuing, Mr. Zimmerman reported that on May 8th, a portion of the pipeline near the intersection of Royal Hills Dr. and Lake Youngs Dr. experienced a breakage during testing. Noting that the damages from the leak were minimal, he indicated that Olympic Pipe Line Company is in the process of determining the cause of the failure. Mr. Zimmerman explained that the City assisted Olympic Pipe Line Company in locating the origin of the leak and an 80-foot section of the pipeline has been replaced.

In conclusion, Mr. Zimmerman reported that several cities involved with the Pipeline Safety Consortium are interested in having all Olympic pipelines hydrostatically pressure tested, not just the 16-inch pipeline. All of the pipelines have been internally televised; however, Olympic Pipe Line Company has volunteered only to pressure test the 16-inch pipeline. He commented that although he was happy that a weak point in the pipeline was detected with water as opposed to gasoline, he expressed his concerns that many questions still need to be explored.

AUDIENCE COMMENT

Citizen Comment: Richter – Armed Forces Day Celebration

Marge Richter, 300 Meadow Ave. N., Renton, 98055, announced that on May 19th, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at Veteran’s Memorial Park, a celebration will be held in honor of Armed Forces Day. Ms. Richter described the activities that will occur and encouraged everyone to attend the celebration.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Council Minutes of May 7, 2001


Appointment: Board of Adjustment

Mayor Tanner appointed Eric Cameron, 4834 NE 5th Ct., Renton, 98059, to Position #7 on the Board of Adjustment for a four-year term expiring on 9/6/2004. Refer to Community Services Committee.

Appointment: Municipal Arts Commission

Mayor Tanner appointed Loren Perreault-Jones, 2720 NE 4th Ct., Renton, 98056, to the Municipal Arts Commission to fill the unexpired term of Marie Kurka-Brown (term to expire on 12/31/2002). Refer to Community Services Committee.
Community Services: Capital Projects Coordinator (Downtown Parking Garage), Temporary Hire

Community Services Department requested authorization to use $215,000 from the Park Fund to hire a Capital Projects Coordinator, for a term not to exceed 30 months, to manage the design and construction of new Capital Improvement Projects including the Downtown Parking Garage. Expenditure in 2001 is $54,000. Refer to Finance Committee.

Franchise: Time Warner Telecom of Washington, Fiber Optics System

Development Services Division recommended approval of a franchise agreement with Time Warner Telecom of Washington LLC to install a fiber optics system for eventual local service. Refer to Transportation Committee.

Fire: Opposing National Fire Protection Association Proposed Standards

Executive Department requested adoption of a resolution opposing the proposed National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standards 1710 and 1720 which define minimum standards for staffing fire vehicles as well as response times, requiring significantly more resources than are currently allocated to the Fire Department. Council concur. (See later this page for resolution.)

Rezone: Rolling Hills Reservoir, Puget Dr SE, P-1 to R-8 (R-01-008)

Hearing Examiner recommended approval of the City-sponsored rezone of Rolling Hills Reservoir from P-1 (Public Use) zone to R-8 (Residential Single Family; eight dwelling units per acre) zone with a P-suffix designation attached; 12.97 acres located at 2401 Puget Dr. SE (R-01-008). Council concur. (See later this page for ordinance.)

Utility: May Creek Basin Plan Agreement, King County & Newcastle

Surface Water Utility Division recommended adoption of the May Creek Basin Action Plan and approval of the May Creek Basin Action Plan Implementation Interlocal Agreement with King County and the City of Newcastle. The plan identifies actions that are needed to address flooding, erosion, water quality, and habitat problems within the basin. Refer to Utilities Committee.

Utility: Sewer Connection by Property Owners Outside City Limits, City Code Revision

Wastewater Utility Division recommended amending City Code to revise policies by which the City allows connection to its sanitary sewer system by property owners outside the current City limits. Refer to Utilities Committee.

MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. COUNCIL CONCUR.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Resolution #3505

Fire: Opposing National Fire Protection Association Proposed Standards

A resolution was read opposing the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) proposed standards 1710 and 1720.

Council President Clawson emphasized that by opposing the proposed NFPA standards, the City is not diminishing its current fire safety standards in any way. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

The following ordinances were presented for first reading and referred to the Council meeting of 5/21/2001 for second and final reading:

Rezone: Rolling Hills Reservoir, Puget Dr SE, P-1 to R-8 (R-01-008)

An ordinance was read changing the zoning classification of 12.97 acres located at 2401 Puget Dr. SE, near the intersection of Puget Dr. SE and Edmonds Way SE, from the P-1 (Public Use) zone to R-8 (Residential Single Family; eight dwelling units per acre) zone with a P-suffix designation (Rolling Hills Reservoir; File No. R-01-008). MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 5/21/2001. CARRIED.
An ordinance was read appropriating monies from the Fire Mitigation Fund balance, increasing the expenditures in the Fire Mitigation Fund, and increasing the 2001 Budget by $54,000 for the purpose of hiring a limited term employee to manage the design and construction of the new Fire Station #12. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 5/21/2001. CARRIED.

The following ordinances were presented for second and final reading and adoption:

**Ordinance #4902**
Rezone: King County South Wastewater Treatment Plant, Monster Rd SW, P-1 to IH (R-00-169)

An ordinance was read changing the zoning classification of 90.7 acres located at 1200 Monster Rd. SW, at the intersection of Oakesdale Ave. SW and Grady Way, from the P-1 (Public Use) zone to the IH (Heavy Industrial) zone with a P-suffix designation (Wastewater Treatment Plant Rezone; File No. R-00-169). MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

**Ordinance #4903**
Development Services: Nuisance Abatement Procedure

An ordinance was read adding new Sections 1-3-3, Nuisances, 1-3-6, Conflicts, and 1-3-7, Severability, and adding definitions to Section 1-3-4, Definitions, of Chapter 3, Penalties, of Title I (Administration) of City Code establishing and defining what constitutes a nuisance, providing for correction, abatement and enforcement, and for recovery of costs and attorney fees and declaring interference to be a misdemeanor and establishing penalties. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR 16 MINUTES TO DISCUSS LITIGATION. CARRIED. Time: 8:26 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:42 p.m.; roll was called; all Councilmembers present except Briere, previously excused.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 8:45 p.m.

Marilyn Petersen, CMC, City Clerk

Recorder: Michele Neumann
May 14, 2001