CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Pro Tem Dan Clawson 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; TERRI BRIERE; KING PARKER; DON PERSSON; RANDY CORMAN; TONI NELSON.

CITY STAFF IN ATTENDANCE
JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; ZANETTA FONTES, Assistant City Attorney; MARILYN PETERSEN, City Clerk; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator; KEVIN MILOSEVICH, Police Commander; DEREK TODD, Assistant to the CAO.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES
MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MARCH 12, 2001, AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

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 included:

- At the City Council Annual Planning Workshop held last Thursday and Friday, Council reviewed the City’s progress over the past year, discussed emerging issues, refined the City’s six-year Business Plan, and discussed issues relating to internal and external communication. City staff will provide a briefing in the next few weeks on the refined Business Plan and other decisions made at the workshop.

- The Human Services Division will host the first regional Community Development Block Grant Workshop for capital projects for agencies planning to apply for 2002 capital funds at Carco Theatre on March 20th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. A brief public meeting will follow the workshop to obtain comments on the King County Consolidated Housing & Community Development Plan.

- The Renton Fire Training Division hosted the King County Fire Training Officers Officer Development Academy’s Rapid Intervention Team training last week. A total of 70 firefighters from around the Puget Sound region participated in training that focuses on setting up and deploying teams dedicated to rescuing firefighters who become trapped or lost in a structure fire due to a catastrophic or other type of event.

- The Northwest Puppet Center will be performing “Raven and the Box of Daylight” at Carco Theatre on Wednesday, March 28th, at 4:30 p.m. Tickets are $3.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION
Elaine Akagi of the Japanese American Citizens League presented a copy of the bill that was recently passed by Congress naming the federal courthouse in Seattle the William Kenzo Nakamura Courthouse. Ms. Akagi expressed thanks to Renton and to all city councils who supported the resolution, and she invited everyone to the dedication and celebration to be held Monday, March 26th at 1:30 p.m. at the Mercer Arena.
CONSENT AGENDA

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

Appointment: Human Rights and Affairs Commission

Mayor Tanner appointed Donna Wang, 16016 SE 184th St., Renton, 98058, to the Human Rights and Affairs Commission to fill a vacancy for a two-year term beginning 04/26/2001 and expiring on 04/25/2003. Refer to Community Services Committee.

Appointment: Human Rights and Affairs Commission


Appointment: Municipal Arts Commission

Mayor Tanner appointed Paul F. Webb, 541 Wells Ave. N., Renton, 98055, to the Municipal Arts Commission to fill the vacancy created by Catherine Mosher's resignation, term to expire 12/31/2001. Refer to Community Services Committee.

Community Services: 200 Mill Bldg. Lease (5th Floor), Data Depth, Inc

Community Services Department recommended approval of a one-year lease with Data Depth, Inc. for the fifth floor of the 200 Mill Building. Refer to Finance Committee.

Transportation: Reallocation of Walkway Program funds

Transportation Systems Division requested authorization to allocate an additional $20,000 from the Walkway Program budget to cover additional costs for the Highlands Neighborhood Walkway and Curb Ramp project (CAG-00-119) due to a change in the scope of work to include construction of frontage improvements at Learning Land II located on Talbot Rd. Council concur.

Airport: South Cove Ventures Sublease to Seattle World Cruiser Foundation

Transportation Division recommended approval of an airport sublease by South Cove Ventures dba Aero Dyne Aviation for a portion of the leased area to Seattle World Cruiser Foundation for a term expiring on 12/31/2003. Refer to Transportation (Aviation) Committee.

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

OLD BUSINESS

Transportation Committee

Transportation: Request for 180th St. Crossing Closure

Transportation (Aviation) Committee Chair Persson presented a report recommending that the City Council direct Administration to write a letter to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC) Rail Safety Manager opposing the proposal to close S. 180th Street at the Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad crossing prior to construction of the S. 180th Street railroad grade separation project. The WUTC has not made a compelling case that S. 180th/SW 43rd Street should be closed prior to the start of this construction project. The cities of Kent and Tukwila are also on record opposing this early street closure.

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

Finance Committee

EDNSP: City Center Garage

Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending approval of the transfer of development and use rights at 212 through 222 Main Ave. S. to Stonefield Development Co., LLC for a public/private parking structure. The Committee further recommended that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the lease agreement and any other legal documents as necessary, with the understanding that the lease agreement is contingent upon Stonefield Development receiving financing for the construction of their office building.
Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler noted receipt of a report from the Public Works Department advising that the repair cost for the Benson Road watermain is approximately $45,000 thus far.

Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler also presented information regarding the Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) regulation of diazinon, and proposed that Council authorize the Mayor to sign a letter addressed to the EPA urging their reconsideration of the timeline established to ban diazinon. After discussion, Council requested that the Administration present information at next week’s Council meeting providing the pro’s and con’s of this proposal. A one-week postponement would also give council members the opportunity to review the material distributed this date.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

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

**Rezone: Merlino CPA Rezone from CA to RM-1**

An ordinance was read changing the zoning classification of two parcels of recently annexed property, consisting of 17.54 acres with access from Empire Way South/SR-900, from CA (Commercial Arterial) to RM-I (Residential Multi-family-Infill) (Merlino Comprehensive Plan Amendment Rezone #2000-M-6). MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL ADVANCE THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING. CARRIED.

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

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

**Ordinance #4898**

**Finance: Utility Rates, Repeal of Automatic Increases**

An ordinance was read repealing Sections 8-1-9.D of Chapter 1, Garbage, 8-2-3.E.3 of Chapter 2, Storm and Surface Water Drainage, 8-4-31.B.3 of Chapter 4, Water, and 8-5-15.A.4 of Chapter 5, Sewers, of Title VIII (Health and Sanitation) of City Code relating to automatic increases in utility rates. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

**Ordinance #4899**

**Hearing Examiner: Appeal Procedures**

An ordinance was read amending Section 4-8-110.E.8 of Chapter 8, Permits and Decisions, of Title IV (Development Regulations) of City Code by clarifying the appeal procedures for the decisions of the Hearing Examiner. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

**Ordinance #4900**

**Planning: Commercial Office Residential 2 (COR 2) Zone**

An ordinance was read amending Sections 4-2-120.B of Chapter 2, Land Use Districts, and 4-8-120.D19.k of Chapter 8, Permits and Decisions, of Title IV (Development Regulations) of City Code by deleting the requirement for
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properties that are adjacent or contiguous, zoned COR 2, to plan together for Site Plan Level II. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL. ALL AYES. CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS
Metro: Eastside Interceptor Restoration Project

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, THE TOPIC OF STREET CLOSURES IN SOUTH RENTON FOR THE EASTSIDE INTERCEPTOR RESTORATION PROJECT BE REFERRED TO THE TRANSPORTATION (AVIATION) COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 8:20 p.m.

Marilyn Petersen, CMC, City Clerk

Recorder: Bonnie Walton
March 19, 2001