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
BOB EDWARDS, Council President; TONI NELSON; KATHY KEOLKER-WHEELER; DAN CLAWSON; KING PARKER; TIMOTHY SCHLITZER; RANDY CORMAN.

CITY STAFF IN ATTENDANCE
JESSE TANNER, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; LAWRENCE J. WARREN, City Attorney; MARILYN PETERSEN, City Clerk; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator; SUSAN CARLSON, Economic Development Administrator; JIM SHEPHERD, Community Services Administrator; MICHAEL KATTERMANN, Director of Neighborhoods & Strategic Planning; KAREN MARSHALL, Human Services Manager; GLENN KOST, CIP Project Manager; DIANNE UTECHT, Community Development Block Grant Specialist; DEREK TÖDD, Finance Analyst; JERENE BATTISTI, Librarian; CHIEF GARRY ANDERSON, Police Department.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES
MOVED BY EDWARDS, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL APPROVE THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 24, 1998, AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION
Human Services Summer Lunch Program Volunteer Recognition
Karen Marshall, Human Services Manager, said the success of Renton's Summer Lunch Program at the Royal Hills Apartments can be attributed to the many partners involved in it. Lunch was offered to low-income children 49 days, along with before- and after-meal activities. An average of 150 kids were served each day, with 7,370 lunches total served during the summer. The Renton School District prepared the meals and the Renton Salvation Army delivered them to Royal Hills. In addition, the Renton Library donated over 400 used books and Books for Kids gave 100 new books for the children. Staff from the Community Services Department's Recreation Division, the Police Department and the Fire Department participated as well.

Ms. Marshall recognized the invaluable assistance from the Renton Ecumenical Association of Churches, Renton First United Church, Fairwood Community United Church, St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, United Christian Church and Martin Luther King Baptist Church. Each of these five churches provided volunteers to help serve lunch on their assigned day of the week.
Alice Watson, president of the Royal Hills Apartments residents’ council, expressed gratitude to the City for this program, saying that it benefitted the children and their families in many ways.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**Comprehensive Plan**

**Emergency Amendments**

(West Hill Potential Annexation Area Removal)

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 proposed emergency Comprehensive Plan map, policy and text amendments to remove portions of the West Hill area from Renton's potential annexation area (PAA).

Mike Kattermann, Director of Neighborhoods & Strategic Planning, explained the amendments are being proposed because of possible changes in the way that potential annexation areas may be treated, particularly in relation to city responsibilities for these areas. Under a proposed amendment to the County-wide Planning Policies (CPPs), the Growth Management Planning Council (GMPC) would adopt PAAs. If this is done, no city would be able to act on its own to add to or delete from its potential annexation area. Other possible changes would establish a higher level of commitment to annex PAAs at some point.

Continuing, Mr. Kattermann said if the West Hill area is removed from Renton's PAA, it would become an "unclaimed area." The cities of Renton, Seattle and Tukwila would then enter into discussions with King County and West Hill residents to talk about the future of this area.

Staff recommends that the emergency Comprehensive Plan amendments be adopted as proposed, removing all but two portions of the West Hill area from Renton's PAA. The first property is east of Raininer Ave. north of Renton's Municipal Airport, and the second is located south of Martin Luther King, Jr. Way. Owners of these properties have expressed interest in annexing to Renton at some point.

Mr. Kattermann concluded that the City will coordinate with King County on a governance study for the West Hill area, and the subject of Renton's potential annexation area will be revisited at a future date. Responding to Councilmember Keolker-Wheeler, Mr. Kattermann estimated that the governance study will be completed by next March or April.

Audience comment was invited.

David Halinen, 10500 NE 8th St. Suite 1900, Bellevue, WA, 98004, representing AnMarCo, the owner of several parcels located south of Martin Luther King, Jr. Way, confirmed that his client is interested in annexing to Renton in the future and does not object to the proposed amendments.

There being no further public comment, it was MOVED BY EDWARDS, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. CARRIED. (See page 290 for Planning & Development Committee report.)

**Planning Moratorium on Residential Developments in Commercial Areas**

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 extending the moratorium on residential development in the Center Suburban land use designation implemented by the Center Suburban (CS) and Residential Multi-family Suburban Center (RM-C) zoning classifications, the Center
Neighborhood land use designation implemented by the Center Neighborhood (CN) and Residential Multi-family Neighborhood (RM-N) zoning classifications, and the Employment Area-Commercial land use designation implemented by the Commercial Arterial (CA) zoning classification.

Mr. Kattermann explained that the moratorium's purpose is to protect prime commercial property in the City, given that the amount of multi-family development occurring in these zones was more than had been anticipated under Renton's Comprehensive Plan. Staff requests that the moratorium be extended for an additional six months to provide sufficient time for: testing possible approaches to resolve the concerns, evaluating potential property rezones, drafting Code amendments, and performing the necessary environmental review.

Mr. Kattermann estimated that the work could be completed, including final Council adoption of any changes, in approximately four months.

Audience comment was invited.

Ricky Chang, 3010 - 77th Ave. SE, Suite #201, Mercer Island, WA, 98040, said while he understood the purpose of the moratorium and he currently did not have any property or projects affected by it, he was concerned that if moratoriums such as this continue too long, they can inappropriately limit the use of certain properties. Noting that some properties zoned for commercial use might not be entirely suitable for that type of development, he suggested that the City allow for some exemptions to the moratorium in a case-by-case basis.

Harry Friebe, 14211 SE 37th St., Bellevue, WA, 98006, stated he owned property on NE 9th Place between Edmonds Ave. NE and Sunset Blvd. NE. Although his property is zoned commercial, he felt it was not at all suitable for this type of development considering its non-arterial location and the surrounding uses, all of which are residential. He requested that the moratorium not be extended or, alternatively, that his property and others like it be specifically exempted.

As chair of the Planning & Development Committee, Councilmember Keolker-Wheeler expressed interest in taking action prior to the end of the moratorium to address situations such as Mr. Friebe's. City Attorney Lawrence J. Warren replied that Council can approve exemptions to the moratorium's provisions so long as these are made in terms of rational classifications (for example, properties located at least 100 feet from a major arterial).

Mayor Tanner stated that the Administration would not object to exempting certain classifications of property which obviously have no commercial value.

Responding to Mrs. Keolker-Wheeler, Mr. Kattermann said it would take at least a month for staff to compile a comprehensive list of all the properties affected by the moratorium, and to evaluate each property to determine if any of them should be exempted from the moratorium.

There being no further public comment, it was MOVED BY EDWARDS, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. CARRIED.
MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY EDWARDS, COUNCIL REFER THIS MATTER (INCLUDING THE EVALUATION OF IN-DEPTH APPROACHES AND THE POSSIBLE FORMULATION OF EXEMPTIONS TO THE MORATORIUM) TO THE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. CARRIED. (See page 292 for resolution extending the moratorium.)

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 1998 and beyond. Items noted included:

* Puget Sound Energy has set most of the poles for the relocation of its overhead transmission lines along Main Avenue and Benson Road.
* Numerous sections of the rockery wall along Sunset Blvd. between I-405 and Aberdeen Ave. have deteriorated due to weathering, and will be repaired this fall.
* Construction has started on the Maplewood Fish Channel project as well as on the Olympic Pipeline Culvert replacement project.
* Shubbery from the traffic islands along South Second St. in front of Renton High School has been removed and will be replaced with more appropriate evergreen plants.

Replying to an inquiry from Councilman Corman, Councilman Parker stated that only a portion of the rockery wall along Sunset Blvd. has been replaced since the wall was originally installed many years ago.

AUDIENCE COMMENT

Citizen Comment Campen - Talbot Hill Zoning Changes & Proposed Development

Lila Campen, 4908 Talbot Rd. S., Renton, 98055, stated that a portion of a 20-acre parcel of land she owns on Talbot Hill was rezoned earlier this year, without her knowledge. Only after a residential site plan was approved by the City were she and the developer told of the zoning change, which was made to address the presence of slopes on her property. Ms. Campen asked that the City allow the site plan to proceed, given the circumstances involved. (See page 290 for correspondence on this issue.)

Citizen Comment Hindes - NE 23rd St Property Dispute

Brett Hindes, 2625 NE 23rd St., Renton, 98056, described an ongoing dispute between the City and property owners along NE 23rd St. concerning whether an approximately 20' by 70' area is under public or private ownership. He explained that although quit claim deeds were given to the City in 1961 relinquishing ownership of this property, the City Council had voted not to accept them. Nevertheless, the deeds were inexplicably recorded in 1976 without notification to the former property owners. Mr. Hindes stated that the property is uninproved and has contributed to drainage problems for adjacent homeowners.

Mayor Tanner agreed to look into the property ownership and drainage problem issues. Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator Gregg Zimmerman added that the City has verified to its satisfaction that the full
width of NE 23rd St., including the area described by Mr. Hindes, is publicly
owned. He agreed that this property has long been neglected although it is the
City's responsibility to repair and maintain it, which it does intend to do.

Councilman Corman suggested that the Administration set up an open house
for City representatives and property owners in this area to discuss these
issues.

Citizen Comment Stone -
NE 23rd St Property
Dispute
Sharon Stone, 2709 NE 23rd St., claimed that the City has
not fairly dealt with property owners in this situation since
it had claimed in 1961 that the deeds had been lost and
could not be returned to the property owners, only to
record them 15 years later.

Citizen Comment Austin -
NE 23rd St Property
Dispute
Sonja Austin, 3221 Phillips Ave., Bremerton, 98310, spoke
on behalf of her parents, who live at 2701 NE 23rd Street.
She claimed that if the City does own the southern,
unimproved side of NE 23rd St., homeowners along this
stretch of road have improperly paid property taxes on
public property for over 20 years. She felt that in this case,
they would be due back taxes with interest.

Citizen Comment Evans -
Seaplane Noise
Ralph Evans, 3306 NE 11th Pl., Renton, 98056, inquired if
the City will take any action on complaints made by several
citizens regarding seaplane noise.

Councilman Schlitzer replied that this issue is very complicated due to the
multiple claims of jurisdiction at the airport and on Lake Washington. Mayor
Tanner added that the Coast Guard has authority over navigable water, and the
Federal Aviation Administration has jurisdiction in the air space. The most
Renton can do, then, is communicate its complaints and try to persuade
another agency to take appropriate action.

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

Municipal Court Judge Pro
Tem Appointments
Mayor Tanner appointed Kris Jensen, 216 First Ave. S.
#300, Seattle, 98104, and A. Mark Vanderveen, 17544
Midvale Ave. N. #200, Shoreline, 98133, as Municipal
Court Judges Pro Tem, effective immediately, for terms
expiring 12/31/98. Refer to Community Services
Committee.

CAG 98-112, N
8th/Houser Way N
Reconstruction, RW Scott
Const
City Clerk reports bid opening on 8/28/98 for CAG-98-
112, N. 8th St. and Houser Way N. Reconstruction; seven
bids; engineer's estimate $265,000; and submitted staff
recommendation to award the contract to the low bidder,
R.W. Scott Construction Co.,in the total amount of
$220,951.50. Council concur.

Parks Family Pool Bond
Issue (11/98)
Community Services Department recommended approval
of an ordinance calling for a special election on November
3, 1998, seeking voter approval of the sale of bonds to
construct a $4 million family pool facility at Cedar River
Park. Council concur. (See page 292 for ordinance.)

Development Services
Development Services Division recommended approval of
Title IV and Supplement Fee Changes

amendments to City Code to change fees for the purchase of Title IV (and supplement) to reflect actual costs of producing the documents. Refer to Finance Committee.

Plat Demps Development, 2302 NE 12th St (PP-97-086)

Hearing Examiner recommended approval, with conditions, of the Demps Development preliminary plat; two lots on a 13,251 square foot parcel located at 2302 NE 12th St. (PP-97-086). Council concur.

Public Works Water Utility Maintenance Supervisor Step Change

Public Works Department requested authorization to raise the beginning salary for the Water Utility Maintenance Supervisor from Step C to Step E of the salary range. Council concur.

CAG 97-166, SW 43rd St Drainage Improvement, RJC Inc

Surface Water Utility Division submitted CAG-97-166, SW 43rd St. Drainage Improvement project; and recommended approval of the project, authorization for final pay estimate in the amount of $6,365.05, commencement of 60-day lien period, and release of retained amount of $11,623.30 to RJC, Inc., contractor, if all required releases are obtained. Council concur.

Streets Main Ave S Property Exchange (City/Earl & Ellen Price)

Technical Services Division recommended approval of a property exchange at 333 Main Ave. S. with Earl and Ellen Price by which the City will acquire necessary property for the Main Ave. S. improvement project, and the Prices will be compensated with nearby property for parking purposes. Council concur.

Streets Aberdeen Ave NE Temporary Closure (NE 24th to 27th)

Utility Systems Division requested authorization to temporarily close Aberdeen Ave. NE between NE 24th and 27th Streets for seven days from September 17 to 24 for construction of the East Kennydale sewer interceptor project. Council concur. (See page 292 for resolution.)

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

CORRESPONDENCE

Citizen Comment Galusha - Moratorium on Residential Development in Commercial Areas

Correspondence was read from Richard H. Galusha, 14013 SE 135th St., Renton, 98059, stating that the moratorium on residential development in commercial areas negatively affects property he owns at 325 Duvall Ave. NE. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY EDWARDS, COUNCIL REFER THIS LETTER TO THE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

Citizen Comment Highlands Residents - Safety Concerns at Vashon/NE 8th

Correspondence was read from Robert and Wendy Baker, 763 Vashon Pl. NE, Renton, 98056, and numerous residents on Vashon Pl. NE and NE 8th St., requesting more signage and police patrols in the area to help address safety concerns related to parking problems and speeding traffic. MOVED BY EDWARDS, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL REFER THIS LETTER TO THE ADMINISTRATION AND THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE. CARRIED.
Citizen Comment
- Talbot Hill Zoning
Changes & Proposed Development

Correspondence was read from Lila Campen, 4908 Talbot Rd. S., Renton, describing zoning changes made on her property earlier this year and requesting that the residential development project planned for this site be allowed to proceed as proposed, despite the changes. The primary difference is that the line between areas zoned R-1 and R-14 is now irregular rather than straight. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL REFER THIS LETTER TO THE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS
Committee of the Whole
EDNSP Port Quendall Empowerment Zone Application

Council President Edwards presented a report recommending that Council pass a resolution approving Renton's participation, with Seattle and King County, in an application to become a federal Empowerment Zone. The federal government has authorized the designation of 15 new urban empowerment zones. Empowerment zones focus on a people-based economic development strategy that supports employment expansion in existing commercial/industrial districts with an emphasis on linking employment opportunities to low income people. The Committee further recommended that Port Quendall be designated as a developable site. MOVED BY EDWARDS, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Planning & Development Committee
Comprehensive Plan Emergency Amendments (West Hill Potential Annexation Area Removal)

Planning & Development Committee Chair Keolker-Wheeler presented a report recommending that Council concur in the Administration's recommendation to adopt the proposed amendments to Renton's Comprehensive Plan. The amendments remove portions of West Hill from Renton's potential annexation area (PAA) and revise policy and definition references to the PAA. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY SCHLITZER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED. (See page 292 for ordinance.)

Finance Committee
Finance Vouchers

Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending approval of Claims Vouchers #161433 and 162871 through 163314; three wire transfers in the total amount of $3,714,135.51; approval of Payroll Vouchers #162114 - 162406; and 507 direct deposits in the total amount of $1,281,253.32. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Finance Vouchers

Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending approval of Claims Vouchers #162504 - 162870; two wire transfers in the total amount of $2,296,893.44; approval of Payroll Vouchers #161654 - 161992; and 508 direct deposits in the total amount of $1,325,463.02. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Transportation (Aviation) Committee

Transportation (Aviation) Committee Chair Schlitzer presented a report regarding the bid opening on August 18,
CAG 98-110, Airport Runway Marking, Lighting & Signage

1998 for CAG-98-110, Municipal Airport Runway Marking, Lighting and Signage project. The Committee met on this topic on September 1, 1998. The Committee discussed the issue of contract award given the bid protest of Prime Electric, Inc. The Committee was advised by legal counsel that although the protest would most likely be unsuccessful, any potential litigation could unnecessarily delay this project. The time and cost to resolve this issue through litigation would be more than the time it would take to simply re-bid the project. In addition, it was determined by the Transportation Systems Division that the Federal Aviation Administration grant of $703,000 would not be in jeopardy should the City decide to re-bid the project. In light of the above facts, the Committee recommended the City re-bid this project as soon as possible. MOVED BY SCHRITZER, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Community Services Committee

Community Services Committee Chair Nelson presented a report recommending that Council direct the Solid Waste Utility staff to continue to work with the Highlands Community Association to develop a program addressing the litter collection needs in the Highlands commercial district. The Committee recognized that there will be one-time costs associated with the purchase of containers along with associated expenses, and that these expenses are not included in the current Solid Waste Utility budget. The appropriate forum for considering such expenditures is the 1999/2000 budget process. Therefore, the Committee recommended that Council direct the Administration to include this program as part of the 1999/2000 budget. The Committee further recommended that Council direct staff to prepare a response to the Highlands Community Association to inform them of the Council action. MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were presented for reading and adoption:

Resolution #3347
Planning Moratorium on Residential Developments in Commercial Areas

A resolution was read extending a moratorium on residential development in the Center Suburban land use designation implemented by the Center Suburban (CS) and Residential Multi-Family Suburban Center (RM-C) zoning classifications, the Center Neighborhood land use designation implemented by the Center Neighborhood (CN) and Residential Multi-Family Neighborhood (RM-N) zoning classifications, and the Employment Area-Commercial land use designation implemented by the Commercial Arterial (CA) zoning classification; and establishing a termination date of March 14, 1999, for the moratorium. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

Resolution #3348
Streets Main Ave S Property Exchange

A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents to trade a portion of City-owned property located at 333 Main Ave. S. for
required right-of-way located at the northwest corner of S. 4th St. and Main Ave. S. MOVED BY EDWARDS, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

Resolution #3349
Streets Aberdeen Ave NE Temporary Closure (NE 24th to 27th)
A resolution was read authorizing the temporary closure of Aberdeen Ave. NE between NE 27th St. and NE 24th St. for storm and sewer construction. MOVED BY EDWARDS, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

Resolution #3350
Development Services Uptown Glassworks Sign Code Exemption
A resolution was read designating historic signs located at 230 Main Ave. S., and waiving City Center sign requirements for the Uptown Glassworks signage adjacent to the historic signs. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

The following ordinances were presented for first reading and immediately advanced for second and final reading:

Parks Family Pool Bond Issue (11/98)
An ordinance was read providing for the submission to the registered voters of the City at a special election to be held in conjunction with the general election on November 3, 1998, the proposition of whether, in order to pay part of the costs of constructing and equipping a family pool in Renton, the City should incur indebtedness and issue not more than $4,000,000 of unlimited tax general obligation bonds therefor, payable from annual property tax levies upon all taxable property within the City in excess of all regular property tax levies, maturing within 20 years; and declaring an emergency. MOVED BY EDWARDS, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL ADVANCE THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING. CARRIED.

Ordinance #4737
Parks Family Pool Bond Issue (11/98)
Following second and final reading of the above-referenced ordinance, it was MOVED BY EDWARDS, SECONDED BY SCHLITZER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS PRESENTED. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

Comprehensive Plan Emergency Amendments (West Hill Potential Annexation Area Removal)
An ordinance was read adopting the 1998 Emergency Amendments to the City's Comprehensive Plan, maps and data in conjunction therewith, including amendments to the Land Use Element policies pertaining to potential annexation areas (PAAs), and the land use and PAA designations for the West Hill area. MOVED BY EDWARDS, SECONDED BY SCHLITZER, COUNCIL ADVANCE THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING. CARRIED.

Ordinance #4738
Comprehensive Plan Emergency Amendments
Following second and final reading of the above-referenced ordinance, it was MOVED BY EDWARDS, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE
(West Hill Potential Annexation Area Removal) AS PRESENTED. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

The following ordinances were presented for second and final reading:

**Ordinance #4739**
Finance Animal License Procedure Changes (Code Amendments)

An ordinance was read amending subsections 5-4-2.A and D of Chapter 4, Animal Licenses, of Title V (Finance and Business Regulations) of City Code by changing the animal license fee from an annual fee to a two-year fee. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY EDWARDS, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS PRESENTED. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

**Ordinance #4740**
Public Works Aquifer Protection Ordinance

An ordinance was read amending Section 4.4.060 of Chapter 4, Property Development Standards, Section 4.6.030 of Chapter 6, Street and Utility Standards, and Section 4.11 of Chapter 11, Definitions, of Title IV (Development Regulations); Section 5-5 of Chapter 5, Business Licenses, of Title V (Finance and Business Regulations); and Section 8-8 of Chapter 8, Aquifer Protection, of Title VIII (Health and Sanitation) of City Code, all relating to aquifer protection. MOVED BY EDWARDS, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS PRESENTED. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Fire Improved Fire Insurance Rating

Council President Edwards congratulated the City and especially its Fire Department on having achieved an improved fire protection classification rating from the Washington Surveying and Rating Bureau.

Councilman Parker encouraged all business owners in the City to contact their insurance agents about rate reductions that should now be available because of the improved classification.

Parks Improved Signage for New City Hall Building

Councilmember Keolker-Wheeler suggested that the Administration provide better signage for the public in determining where they should park at the new building. Many people become confused because the address is Grady Way but the public parking area is accessed off of Benson Road.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 9:15 p.m.

Marilyn J. Petersen, CMC, City Clerk

Recorder: Brenda Fritsvold
9/14/98