January 6, 2014 Council Chambers Renton City Hall

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Denis Law called the meeting of the Renton City Council to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCILMEMBERS

RANDY CORMAN, Council President; ED PRINCE; DON PERSSON; MARCIE PALMER. MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY PRINCE, COUNCIL EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCILMEMBERS GREG TAYLOR, RICH ZWICKER, AND TERRI BRIERE. CARRIED.

CITY STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

DENIS LAW, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; LAWRENCE J. WARREN, City Attorney; JASON SETH, Deputy City Clerk; IWEN WANG, Administrative Services Administrator; CHIP VINCENT, Community and Economic Development Administrator; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Public Works Administrator; PREETI SHRIDHAR, Deputy Public Affairs Administrator; ANGIE MATHIAS, Associate Planner; ROCALE TIMMONS, Associate Planner; BATTALION CHIEF RICK MARSHALL, Fire & Emergency Services Department; COMMANDER DAVE LEIBMAN, Police Department.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

King County: Councilmember Julia Patterson

Mayo Law introduced King County Councilmember Julia Patterson. Ms. Patterson reflected on her 24 years of public service working for the City of SeaTac, the State, and as a King County Councilmember representing residents in south King County. She remarked that she will not seek re-election when her term ends on December 31, 2013. She also expressed admiration for Renton's transformation as a regional player during her tenure.

Ms. Patterson highlighted several policy areas she has worked on during the past 24 years as an elected official. She remarked that with help from City officials she was instrumental in establishing the Lake to Sound trail and the RapidRide F Line in Renton. She also stated that the public health clinic in Renton is successfully enrolling many uninsured residents in health care through the Affordable Care Act. Ms. Patterson remarked that she is also proud of the strides King County has made in terms of social equity. She explained that the county uses a lens called the equity impact review to evaluate the impact, both negative and positive, of all laws and the budget on vulnerable populations. She added that her only regret is not having found a dedicated long-term funding source for human services. She called on Council to continue to work towards achieving this goal.

Mayor Law expressed gratitude for Ms. Patterson’s representation of City residents at King County. Councilmember Palmer echoed the Mayor’s sentiment and invited Ms. Patterson to the next South County Area Transit Board meeting. Council President Corman also expressed appreciation for Ms. Patterson’s dedication to City interests.

Ms. Patterson thanked City officials and Jay Covington, Chief Administrative Officer, for their support during her tenure.
PUBLIC HEARING
CED: Moratorium on Acceptance of Business Licenses & Permits for Marijuana Uses

This being the date set and proper notices having been posted and published in accordance with local and State laws, Mayor Law opened the public hearing to consider the moratorium on the acceptance of business licenses and permits for medical and/or recreational marijuana businesses for a period of six months.

Associate Planner Angie Mathias explained that there are two pathways for legalized marijuana in Washington State. She remarked that I-692 legalized medical marijuana, and that collective gardens are one of the only remaining ways a medical marijuana cardholder can obtain marijuana. She added, however, that collective gardens may become illegal next year. Ms. Mathias further explained that I-502 legalized recreational marijuana and created three permits. She stated that the permits are for retailers, producers, and processors, and that recreational marijuana use is governed by the State Liquor Control Board.

Ms. Mathias reported that the City established the six-month moratorium because it was not anticipated that there would be a need for something called a marijuana producer, processor, or retailer. She remarked that the issue must be studied to determine whether these new land uses are agricultural or manufacturing in nature. She also remarked that the City needs time to develop an understanding of the State Liquor Control Board rules, and to determine whether or not to impose additional restrictions on these businesses. Ms. Mathias remarked that this moratorium also allows public participation in the process. She stated that the next step is for the department to develop a work program, and then follow the City’s administrative process to develop and present a proposal for Council approval. Ms. Mathias added that citizens can follow the progress by regularly checking the department’s website.

Mayor Law stated that the moratorium is in no way an attempt to avoid or circumvent the will of the people. He stated that nearly 60% of Renton voters voted in favor of legalizing marijuana. Mayor Law remarked, however, that there are a lot of unanswered questions and the moratorium will provide City time to bring a proposal to Council.

Public comment was invited.

Howard McOmber (Renton) remarked that he believes that medical marijuana should be viewed as medicine and treated differently than recreational marijuana. He added that the City should not curtail people’s ability to obtain medical marijuana.

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

PUBLIC MEETING
Annexation: Trace Matthew, 154th Ave SE & SE 139th Pl

This being the date set and proper notices having been posted and published in accordance with local and State laws, Mayor Law opened the public meeting to consider the 10% Notice of Intent to Annex petition for the proposed Trace Matthew Annexation; 4.54 acres bordered by Renton City limits at the north, 154th Ave. SE to the west, parcel lines in proximity of SE 139th Pl. to the south, and 156th Ave. SE to the east.
Associate Planner Rocale Timmons reported that the annexation site is within the City's potential annexation area and contains one single-family home and vacant land. She remarked that there are no regulated slopes, critical areas, wetlands, or streams in the area. Ms. Mathias stated that public services are currently provided by Fire District #25, Water District #90, Renton sewer service, and the Renton School District.

Reviewing the site's zoning, Ms. Timmons 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-4 (four dwelling units per net acre) in 2007.

Ms. Timmons reported that the proposed annexation is generally consistent with City annexation policies and Boundary Review Board objectives. Regarding the fiscal impact analysis, she stated that at current development existing operating fund revenues are at $1,500, and at full build-out over ten years would be around $2,500. She also noted that there were no concerns from City departments.

Ms. Timmons remarked that the administration recommends accepting the petition and authorizing circulation of the 60% petition specifying that property owners accept the City's Comprehensive Plan land use designation and zoning.

Public comment was invited.

Marvin Bettes (King County) stated that he lives just south of the proposed annexation. He expressed concerns regarding future road development within and around the annexation area. He also expressed concern regarding the impacts of any future construction of utilities and sewer upgrades.

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL CLOSE THE PUBLIC MEETING. CARRIED.

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY PRINCE, COUNCIL ACCEPT THE TRACE MATTHEW 10% PETITION TO ANNEX, AND AUTHORIZE CIRCULATION OF THE 60% DIRECT PETITION TO ANNEX SPECIFYING THAT PROPERTY OWNERS ACCEPT THE CITY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN LAND USE DESIGNATION AND ZONING. CARRIED.

Mayor Law remarked that the concerns brought forward by Mr. Bettes will have to be addressed during the development permit process.

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 2013 and beyond. Items noted were:

- Helenanne Botham, a City Hall Lobby Volunteer, has announced her retirement after more than 18 years. Helenanne began volunteering at City Hall on April 27, 1995 and worked the Thursday afternoon shift fielding phone calls and providing information to the public. In total Helenanne provided 4,143.5 hours of volunteer service at the lobby desk. She also spent countless hours volunteering at Renton River Days and other local events. Thank you Helenanne for the many years of dedicated service!
The City of Renton will be activating the Severe Weather Shelter (SWS) at Harambee Church the evenings of December 2 through December 8 due to dangerously low temperature predictions and the forecast of snow.

Harambee Church is located at 316 S. 3rd St. Check-in and registration is at 9 p.m. each night; at 8 a.m. the following morning the shelter will close and all must vacate. All must register at the door, and rules for health and safety of clients, staff and the broader community will apply.

There will be separate sleeping space for men, women, and families with children. The SWS will be operated by Catholic Community Services staff and volunteers from Harambee Church and the greater Renton community. For more information please contact the City of Renton, Community Services office at 425-430-6600.

Howard McOmber (Renton) advocated for more owner-occupied affordable housing in the Renton Highlands. He remarked that the Highlands are a desirable place to live and there needs to be more housing available for those that are less affluent.

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


Administrative Services Department recommended approval of an addendum for Project #67 to the Community Connectivity Consortium agreement (CAG-11-176), to provide additional fiber optic cable from S. 7th St. and Talbot Rd. S. to S. 7th St. and Rainier Ave. S. Council concur.

Community and Economic Development Department requested final approval of the 15-year latecomer agreement (LA-11-01) submitted by the Renton Housing Authority for watermain extension related to the Glennwood Townhomes project located at 1139 and 1147 Glennwood Ave. NE; and requested authorization to finalize the agreement per City Code. Refer to Utilities Committee.

Transportation Systems Division recommended approval of Supplemental Agreement No. 7 to CAG-09-077, with Berger/Abam Engineers, Inc., in the amount of $334,791 for additional construction administration and inspection services on the SW 27th St./Strander Blvd. Extension project. Refer to Transportation (Aviation) Committee.

Transportation Systems Division recommended approval of a contract with KPG, PS in the amount of $204,502.46 for construction management services for the Highlands to Boeing/Landing Pedestrian Connection project. Refer to Transportation (Aviation) Committee.

Transportation Systems Division recommended approval of a Local Agency Certification Acceptance Qualification Agreement with the Washington State Department of Transportation delegating authority to develop, advertise, award, and manage agency transportation projects. Refer to Transportation (Aviation) Committee.
Transportation: Airport Utility Easement Agreement, AT&T
Transportation Systems Division recommended approval of an airport utility easement agreement with AT&T establishing a new lease rate of $16,578.90 annually through 10/31/2025. Refer to Transportation (Aviation) Committee.

MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY PERSSSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Committee of the Whole
Executive: 2014 Legislative Priorities
Council President Corman presented a report concurring in the recommendation of the administration to adopt the 2014 State Legislative Priorities as presented. Topics highlighted in the priorities include transportation solutions, fiscal stability, economic development/infrastructure investment, public safety and enhancing quality of life.

The Committee further authorizes the administration to work with State agencies and the legislature to advance these priorities.

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

Finance Committee
Finance: Vouchers
Finance Committee Vice-Chair Persson presented a report recommending approval of Claim Vouchers 325659 - 325955, two wire transfers and one payroll run with benefit withholding payments totaling $4,859,197.07, and payroll vouchers including 725 direct deposits and 58 payroll checks totaling $1,556,628.48. MOVED BY PERSSSON, SECONDED BY PRINCE, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Committee on Committees
Council: 2014 Council Committee Assignments
2014 Council President-elect Persson presented a report recommending the following Council Committee assignments for 2014:

**FINANCE**
(2nd & 4th Mondays, 5 p.m.)
Terri Briere, Chair
Marcie Palmer, Vice-Chair
Ed Prince, Member

**PUBLIC SAFETY**
(1st & 3rd Mondays, 5 p.m.)
Randy Corman, Chair
Greg Taylor, Vice-Chair
Terri Briere, Member

**COMMUNITY SERVICES**
(1st & 3rd Mondays, 5:30 p.m.)
Greg Taylor, Chair
Randy Corman, Vice-Chair
Armondo Pavone, Member

**UTILITIES COMMITTEE**
(1st & 3rd Mondays, 4:30 p.m.)
Armondo Pavone, Chair
Ed Prince, Vice-Chair
Randy Corman, Member
RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

RESOLUTION #4203
Budget: 2014 Fee Schedule
A resolution was read adopting an amended 2013/2014 City of Renton Fee Schedule. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

ORDINANCE #5697
Budget: Establishing the 2014 Property Tax Levy
An ordinance was read establishing the property tax levy for the year 2014 for general City operational purposes in the amount of $35,520,000. MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

ORDINANCE #5698
Budget: Decreasing Water Utility Tax
An ordinance was read amending Section 5-11-1 of Chapter 11, Utility Tax, of Title V (Finance Regulations), of City Code, by decreasing the water utilities tax to 6.8%. MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

ORDINANCE #5699
Budget: 2013/2014 Mid-Biennium Budget Adjustment
An ordinance was read amending the City of Renton Fiscal Years 2013/2014 Biennial Budget as adopted by Ordinance No. 5682, and thereafter amended by Ordinance Nos. 5686 and 5692, in the amount of $1,306,077 for a total adjusted appropriation of $520,382,470 for the biennium. MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY PRINCE, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

ORDINANCE #5700
Transportation: Deed of Donation for 9812 & 9822 S Carr Rd, The Erwin Family Trust
An ordinance was read accepting a Deed of Donation for certain real property from The Erwin Family Trust and Ronald W. Scott and Annette L. Scott. MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS
Community Event: Thanksgiving Dinner at Renton Senior Activity Center
Councilmember Persson expressed appreciation to all of the City employees, Renton Rotarians, and Renton citizens who volunteered their time on Thanksgiving to serve food to hundreds of senior citizens at the Renton Senior Activity Center. He remarked that 230 sit-down meals were served, and 225 take-out dinners were sent home.
ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY PRINCE, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED.
TIME: 7:56 p.m.

Jason Seth, Recorder
December 2, 2013

Jason Seth, CMC, Deputy City Clerk
## RENTON CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING CALENDAR

**Office of the City Clerk**

### COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS SCHEDULED AT CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**December 2, 2013**

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