CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL OF COUNCILMEMBERS

DON PERSSON, Council President; KING PARKER; TERRI BRIERE; RICH ZWICKER; GREG TAYLOR; RANDY CORMAN; MARCIE PALMER.

CITY STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

DENIS LAW, Mayor; MARTY WINE, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer; MARK BARBER, Assistant City Attorney; BONNIE WALTON, City Clerk; ALEX PIETSCH, Community and Economic Development Administrator; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Public Works Administrator; IWEN WANG, Finance and Information Services Administrator; TERRY HIGASHIYAMA, Community Services Administrator; CHIP VINCENT, Planning Director; NEIL WATTS, Development Services Director; LESLIE BETLACH, Parks Planning & Natural Resources Director; TIM WILLIAMS, Recreation Director; PREETI SHRIDHAR, Communications Director; SUZANNE DALE ESTEY, Economic Development Director; VINCENT ORDUNA, Recreation Program Coordinator; DEPUTY CHIEF TIM TROXEL, Police Department.

A proclamation by Mayor Law was read declaring August 2010 to be “Renton Welcomes Seahawk Fans To Training Camp Month” in the City of Renton, and encouraging all citizens to join in this special observance. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE PROCLAMATION. CARRIED.

Kevin Griffin, Seattle Seahawks’ Director of Fan Development and Community Relations, accepted the proclamation and thanked City Officials and staff for fostering a great partnership between their organization and the City. He remarked that the Seahawks are proud to call Renton home, and that Renton is one of only 28 cities in the country that hosts a National Football League training camp.

A proclamation by Mayor Law was read declaring July 31, 2010 to be “100 Years of Camp Fire Day” in the City of Renton, and encouraging all citizens to join in this special observance. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE PROCLAMATION. CARRIED.

Janelle Kitson, Camp Fire Program Manager, accepted the proclamation and thanked City Officials and staff for honoring the organization’s centennial anniversary. She remarked that the Central Puget Sound Council serves more than 12,000 youth and families every year. She invited everyone to attend their centennial celebration at Magnuson Park in Seattle on July 31, 2010.

Recreation Program Coordinator Vincent Orduna explained that due to economic conditions the City began fostering partnerships with the community in an effort to continue to provide quality programming. He introduced Bill Huls, Artistic Director for the Renton Civic Theater and expressed appreciation for their efforts in assisting with production of the 25th Annual Summer Teen Musical.
Mr. Huls remarked that the Renton Civic Theater has been a part of the Renton community for 23 years. He expressed appreciation for the opportunity to partner with the City to help save the Summer Teen Musical program. Mr. Huls stated that this year’s production is “13,” and that the show opens July 23 and runs through August 1. He noted that tickets can be purchased at the Renton Civic Theater box office. Mr. Huls then introduced three performers who entertained with three sample vocal numbers from the show.

Mayor Law remarked that it was a difficult choice to cut the Summer Teen Musical from the 2010 Budget. He expressed appreciation to the Renton Civic Theater for partnering with the City to make sure this important program continued. Mayor Law emphasized that community partnerships are vital to the City’s ability to accomplish its goals.

Ward Urion, Executive Director of the Northwest Men’s Project, stated that men have a unique role in speaking out, role modeling, and taking a stand to end violence against women. He remarked that the organization started with a pledge published in several periodicals that appealed to leaders around the region to take a public stand against domestic violence. Mr. Urion invited City Officials and staff to participate in the organization’s march in the Renton River Days Parade, and asked Council to consider signing a pledge during King County Family Services’ celebration in October highlighting Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Eli Crawford, Program Coordinator for the Northwest Men’s Project, stated that the organization’s program focuses on bystander approaches to violence prevention. He explained that the bystander approach is about training everyday people who see something and want to help, but do not know what to say or do, and also training those who feel isolated and disempowered in the context of bullying, violence, or domestic violence. Mr. Crawford remarked that their program focuses primarily on young men by providing leadership development, skills, awareness, and understanding. He stated that an ecologic approach to social change is utilized, and that they not only work with young adults, but also with parents, schools, and local shop owners. He stated that their organization believes that engaging the entire community is the most effective way to create social change and to end violence.

Councilmember Taylor expressed appreciation for their organization’s efforts in increasing the level of awareness regarding this problem. Mr. Taylor stated that it is especially important for men to express outrage about domestic violence and that more men should stand up and say that this type of behavior will not be condoned.

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 a Permits Technology Surcharge Fee.

Community and Economic Development Administrator Alex Pietsch stated that the City’s software that tracks permitting, code enforcement, and other aspects of land use regulations is becoming out-of-date. He remarked that the City is looking to replace the current system, and to help pay for the purchase and maintenance, a Technology Surcharge Fee is being considered.
Development Services Director Neil Watts remarked that permitting technology has changed significantly over the last 18 years. He stated that without sophisticated software, the City would not be able to track the high number of permits, inspections, fee information, and other types of records with the current staffing levels. Mr. Watts remarked that the City is already making a substantial investment in permitting hardware and software, explaining that the City pays approximately $16,000 per year to maintain its current software system, plus an additional $7,000 for an automated phone system, and approximately $40,000 per year for use of an online permitting system. He also noted that there has been an increase in the use of credit cards to pay for permits, and the City incurs a two percent back-end charge for those transactions.

Mr. Watts reported that a Technology Surcharge Fee of three percent on all permits, increasing to five percent when the new software is implemented, is being requested. He stated that at 2009 permitting levels approximately $78,000 per year would be collected. Mr. Watts explained that the new system will provide a variety of improvements including increased public access to information, expanded online permitting, expanded field access to permit information for employees, integrated Geographical Information Services (GIS), and electronic plan review. He stated that these improvements will allow for the automation of inspection assignments, license renewals, and will also provide a major upgrade to report-writing capabilities.

Mr. Watts remarked that the Master Builders Association and the King County Builders Council have raised concerns regarding the proposal. He stated that their first concern is cost, and that they are also concerned about how the new technology will be implemented. Mr. Watts noted, however, that the development community is aware that the City has business costs and is trying to bring in new technology that will be of benefit to them.

Concluding, Mr. Watts reported that the City of Redmond and Snohomish County have already implemented Technology Surcharge Fees and that most eastside cities are considering similar proposals in order to operate and maintain their permitting systems. He noted that the new technology fees will be included as part of the 2011-2012 Budget proposal, and that no Council action is being requested at this time.

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

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

Assistant CAO Marty Wine reviewed a written administrative report summarizing the City’s recent progress towards goals and work programs adopted as part of its business plan for 2010 and beyond. Item noted:

* Come join the fun as the 25th Annual Renton River Days Festival celebrates the theme, “25 Years of Magic in the Park.” This is also the 12th year for the festival’s title sponsorship with IKEA. Come to Liberty Park for three days of family fun, Friday through Sunday, July 23 to 25. Explore dozens of community booths, shop nearly 70 arts and crafts booths, take in ongoing entertainment on two stages, and sample the Nibble of Renton. Be sure to stop by the Renton History Museum for the 25th Anniversary Renton River Days Exhibit entitled, “80,000 Ducks, 25 Years.”
AUDIENCE COMMENT
 Citizen Comment: James - Proposed Shoreline Master Program

Greg James (Sammamish), operator of the Riviera Apartments and Director of the Renton Shoreline Coalition, expressed appreciation for the extension of time granted by the Planning and Development Committee regarding the review of the Shoreline Master Program (SMP). He also thanked Council President Persson and Councilmember Palmer for conducting a site visit to the Riviera Apartments. Mr. James stated that positive and productive meetings with City staff have occurred since the time extension was granted and remarked that the Renton Shoreline Coalition is optimistic that these discussions and meetings will result in substantive changes to the SMP.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed on the consent agenda are adopted by one motion which follows the listing. At the request of Council President Persson, Items 8.h. and 8.k. were removed for separate consideration.

Council Meeting Minutes of 7/12/2010

Approval of Council meeting minutes of 7/12/2010. Council concur.

City Clerk: Quarterly Contract List, 4/1/2010 - 6/30/2010


CED: Arts & Culture Master Plan

Community and Economic Development Department recommended adoption of the Arts & Culture Master Plan. Refer to Community Services Committee.

CED: Adopt 2009 IPMC with Local Amendments

Community and Economic Development Department recommended adoption of the 2009 International Property Maintenance Code (IPMC) with local amendments. Refer to Public Safety Committee.

CED: Adopt Revised Civil Enforcement of Code

Community and Economic Development Department recommended designating certain code violations as civil infractions to reduce code enforcement costs and process times by adopting revised Civil Enforcement of Code. Refer to Public Safety Committee.

CED: Clarify Unfit Building Regulations

Community and Economic Development Department recommended adoption of housekeeping amendments to City Code to clarify sections of the Unfit Building Regulations. Refer to Public Safety Committee.

CED: Quendall Terminals EIS, Blumen Consulting Group

Community and Economic Development Department recommended approval of a contract in the amount of $157,975 with Blumen Consulting Group, Inc. to complete an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed mixed-use development Quendall Terminals. Refer to Finance Committee.

Budget: 2010 Amendments

Finance and Information Services Department recommended approval of second quarter 2010 Budget amendments increasing appropriations by $8.1 million. Refer to Finance Committee.

CAG: 09-125, Rainier Av S (SR 167) Improvement Project, Phase I - Shattuck Av S Stormwater Bypass, Pivetta Brothers Construction

Transportation Systems Division submitted CAG-09-125, Rainier Ave. S. (SR 167) Improvement Project, Phase I - Shattuck Ave. S. Stormwater Bypass project; and requested approval of the project, commencement of a 60-day lien period, and release of retained amount of $77,418.33 to Pivetta Brothers Construction, contractor, if all required releases are obtained. Council concur.

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA MINUS ITEMS 8.h. and 8.k. CARRIED.
Separate Consideration Items
8.h. and 8.k.
CAG: 00-049, Administration
Board Authority, Valley
Communications Center

Executive Department recommended approval of the 2nd Amendment to CAG-00-049, with Valley Communications Center, to vest authority to its Administration Board to consider extending Member City rates and a seat on its Operating Board to future Regional Fire Authorities and other fire entities without further amendments to its governing interlocal agreement. Council concur.

Responding to Council President Persson’s inquiry, Mayor Law affirmed that the Valley Communications Center’s Administration Board consists of local Mayors.

Utility: Springbrook Creek
Wetland and Habitat
Mitigation Bank Credit
Purchase, WSDOT

Utility Systems Division recommended approval of a contract in the amount of $195,640 with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) for their purchase of .4891 credits of the City’s share of available credits from the Springbrook Creek Wetland and Habitat Mitigation Bank to compensate for the impact to wetlands from the State’s SR 167, 15th St. SW to S. 180th St., HOV Lane project. Council concur. (See page 223 for resolution.)

Responding to Council President Persson’s inquiry, Public Works Administrator Gregg Zimmerman remarked that the Army Corps of Engineers determined that 50 wetland mitigation credits would be given for the Bank’s 120 acres. He explained that the City and WSDOT share the credits equally and that WSDOT decided to purchase approximately one-half of a credit from the City because they plan to utilize their credits for future projects.

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 8.h. and 8.k. CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
Finance Committee
Finance: Vouchers

Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending approval of Claim Vouchers 294425 - 294735 and four wire transfers totaling $9,843,791.10, and 833 direct deposits, 191 payroll vouchers, and one wire transfer, totaling $2,691,611.24. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY TAYLOR, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve a consultant agreement with SvR Design Company in an amount not to exceed $211,000 to develop a Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Natural Resources Plan and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreement. The Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Natural Resources Plan will be the City’s blueprint for acquisition, development, expansion, and programming. Upon completion and adoption by the Council, the plan will be submitted to the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) for certification. Upon certification, the City will be eligible to participate in State RCO grant programs.

The Committee further recommended reallocating $50,000 from the I-405/Talbot Rd. Streetscape Improvements Capital Improvement Project (316.332031.020.594.76.63.000) to the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan Capital Improvement Project (316.332002.020.594.76.63.000) to fund the contract shortfall and increase the total project budget to $219,932. The remaining $8,932 will be utilized by the City to cover associated expenses for the community meeting process. The Washington State Department of Transportation is fully funding the I-405/Talbot Rd. Streetscape Improvements.

MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY TAYLOR, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.
CED: Future Library Site Evaluation & Downtown Library Structure Analysis, 2010 Budget Amendment
Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending the appropriation of $63,000 from the Library Fund to the Community Services Department Facilities Division budget for analysis of potential sites for new King County Library System branches, as well as a seismic and structural analysis of the existing Downtown Library. A corresponding budget amendment will be included in the upcoming second quarter 2010 Budget amendment ordinance. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY TAYLOR, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Public Works: Electric Hybrid Vehicle, Puget Sound Clean Air Agency Grant
Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve the resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the Contract for Services with the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency that will enable the City to receive a reimbursement of up to $114,289 for the purchase of three electric hybrid vehicles in 2011. The action does not impact the 2010 City Budget. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY TAYLOR, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED. (See later this page for resolution.)

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

**RESOLUTION #4056**
Utility: Springbrook Creek Wetland and Habitat Mitigation Bank Credit Purchase, WSDOT
A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an interlocal agreement with the State of Washington, Department of Transportation, regarding SR 167 at 15th St. SW to S. 180th St. HOV Lane Wetland Bank credit purchase. MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION #4057**
Public Works: Electric Hybrid Vehicle, Puget Sound Clean Air Agency Grant
A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an interlocal contract for services agreement with the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency to accept grant funding for the purchase of three electric hybrid vehicles in 2011 as part of the Clean Cities Alternative Fuel and Advanced Technology Vehicle Pilot grant program. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY TAYLOR, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT
MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED.

Time: 8:01 p.m.

Bonnie I. Walton, CMC, City Clerk

Jason Seth, Recorder
July 19, 2010
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