August 16, 2010
Monday, 7 p.m.

MINUTES

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 PESSON, Council President; MARCIE PALMER; GREG TAYLOR; RICH ZWICKER; TERRI BRIERE. MOVED BY ZWICKER, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCILMEMBERS RANDY CORMAN AND KING PARKER. CARRIED.

CITY STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

DENIS LAW, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; ZANETTA FONTES, Assistant City Attorney; JASON SETH, Deputy City Clerk; ALEX PIETSCH, Community and Economic Development Administrator; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Public Works Administrator; PETER RENNER, Facilities Director; CHIP VINCENT, Planning Director; LESLIE BETLACH, Parks & Natural Resources Director; FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES ADMINISTRATOR MARK PETERSON and EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR DEBORAH NEEDHAM, Fire & Emergency Services Department; COMMANDER FLOYD ELDRIDGE, Police Department.

PROCLAMATION

A proclamation by Mayor Law was read declaring the month of September, 2010 to be “Ready in Renton Month” in the City of Renton, and encouraging all citizens to prepare their homes, businesses, and community for any type of emergency. MOVED BY TAYLOR, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE PROCLAMATION. CARRIED.

Emergency Management Director Deborah Needham accepted the proclamation with appreciation and thanked City officials for focusing on emergency management preparedness issues. She announced that all fire stations, except Station 14, will be open to the public on September 11, 2010 for emergency management training.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Fire and Emergency Services Administrator Mark Peterson described an incident that occurred at Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park on July 31, 2010. He recognized five citizens, nominated by Captain John Hetick, for their efforts to help rescue a gentleman who collapsed and fell into the water: Chris Coates, Faisal Jaswal, Felix Osorio, Emmanuel Predad, and an anonymous bystander. Chief Peterson also presented a message from the victim’s wife in which she expressed her extreme gratitude to these citizens who helped her husband.

APPEALS

Planning & Development Committee

Planning and Development Committee Chair Briere presented a report recommending that the full Council find that the Wilson Park Preliminary Plat be approved with 12 lots, with the 12th lot being designed as proposed in the Applicant’s request for reconsideration, shifting the building area to the east and reducing the size of the retaining walls. The Committee further recommended that the Council adopt amendments to the Hearing Examiner’s findings, conclusions and recommendations as follows:
Finding 14 should be amended to read: “The tree inventory showed 101 significant trees on the subject site. Code requires the retention of 25 trees whereas the applicant proposes retaining 24 trees. The replacement ratio is six (6) trees for each one removed that should have been retained. Six new trees would be planted mainly in the open space corridors.”

Finding 16 should be amended by adding a sentence that reads: “The revised plan submitted with the request for reconsideration would move this open space area to the western portion of Lot 12, adjacent to lots in the Geneva Court Plat.”

Finding 29 should be renumbered as Finding 19, and should be amended to read: “The revised plan submitted with the request for reconsideration substantially reduced the wall to approximately 6 - 8 feet in height and moved the location of the wall away from the Geneva Court property lines.”

Conclusion 1 should be amended to read: “The Wilson Park Preliminary Plat with Lot 12 designed as proposed in the Applicant’s request for reconsideration appears to serve the public use and interest.”

Conclusion 2 should be amended by substituting the word “twelve” for the word “eleven” when referring to the number of lots in the preliminary plat.

Conclusion 5 should be stricken in its entirety.

The Recommendation section should be altered by changing the introductory sentence to read: “The City Council should approve a TWELVE LOT plat of the subject site subject to the following conditions:”

Recommendation 3 should be amended by substituting the following language for the first sentence thereof: “A Native Growth Protection Easement (NGPE) should be recorded over the western portion of proposed Lot 12, as shown in the revised plan submitted with the request for reconsideration, and Tracks B, C and D.” The remainder of Recommendation 3 should remain as drafted.

Recommendation 5 should be amended to read: “The applicant shall establish a Homeowners’ Association for the maintenance of the NGPE and the stormwater vault and each home shall have an undivided interest in the western retaining wall and the retaining walls associated with the road. The appropriate documents shall be reviewed and approved by the Planning Division project manager prior to the recording of the final plat.”

MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Appeal: Wal-Mart Expansion Site Plan, Renton Neighbors for Healthy Growth, SA-10-009

Planning and Development Committee Chair Briere presented a report recommending that the full Council find that the Hearing Examiner committed no errors of fact or law in this matter and that his decision be affirmed.

MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.
ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Chief Administrative Officer 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 2010 and beyond. Items noted included:

* Residents are encouraged to bring their favorite potluck dish and attend their neighborhood picnic to get to know their immediate and surrounding neighbors. Upcoming picnics include:

The Windwood, Ellis Park, and Maureen Highlands Homeowners’ Association combined picnic Wednesday, August 18, at 5:30 p.m. in the Windwood neighborhood common area park on Rosario Street.

The Maple Ridge Estates Homeowners’ Association neighborhood picnic Thursday, August 19, at 5:30 p.m. in the common area at the northwest corner of SE 156th St. and 140th Way SE.

The President Park Neighborhood Association “kick-off” picnic Wednesday, August 25, at 5:30 p.m. at Kiwanis Park, 815 Union Avenue NE.

The Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association, Tiffany Park Homeowners’ Association, and Ponderosa Estates combined picnic Thursday, August 26, at 6 p.m. at Tiffany Park, 1902 Lake Youngs Way NE.

The Kennydale Neighborhood Association picnic Wednesday, September 1, at 5 p.m. at Lions Park, 2428 Aberdeen Avenue NE.

The Rolling Hills, Steeple Chase Hills, and Rolling Hill Condominium Association combined picnic Thursday, September 2, at 5 p.m. in the common area at 1601 Rolling Hills Avenue.

* The Renton Police Department will be welcoming the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) assessors from August 21 to 24 to examine the Renton Police Department’s overall operations and services. Citizens are encouraged to offer comments by attending a public information session on August 23 at 6 p.m. at Renton City Hall.

AUDIENCE COMMENT

Citizen Comment: James - Proposed Shoreline Master Program

Greg James (Sammamish), of Renton Shoreline Coalition (RSC), reported that there have been some changes on the commercial issues regarding the proposed Shoreline Master Program (SMP). He stated that RSC has been working hard to adapt the changes into the new framework the City has presented and requested additional time due to the complexity of the process. Mr. James remarked that he hopes that there will be enough regulatory flexibility within the SMP so that river-walk type of development can occur along the Cedar River.

Citizen Comment: Johnson - Meeting with Fire Department

Arland “Buzz” Johnson (Renton) requested a meeting with the Fire Department regarding fire issues. Mayor Law remarked that Mr. Johnson could speak to Chief Peterson, who was in attendance, about his concerns.

Citizen Comment: Custer - Housing Opportunity Fund Award

Gina Custer (Renton) expressed gratitude for the Housing Opportunity Fund. She remarked that the fund is a great opportunity to help people with affordable homeownership.
Citizen Comment: Francis - Housing Opportunity Fund Award
Dorothy Francis (Renton), President of Way Back Inn, thanked the City for the Housing Opportunity Fund. She shared her experience in partnering with Habitat for Humanity, and remarked that affordable housing helps build strong families, and strong families build strong communities.

Citizen Comment: Williams - Housing Opportunity Fund Award
Karen Williams (Seattle), from King County Housing Development Consortium, recognized City officials and staff for engaging community partners, non-profit organizations, and the Housing Authority on affordable housing issues. She commended the City for the Habitat for Humanity contribution which will provide 11 units of homeownership in Renton. Ms. Williams remarked that the King County Housing Development Consortium often uses Renton's affordable housing program as an example across the county.

Citizen Comment: Simpson - Proposed Shoreline Master Program
Anne Simpson (Renton), of Renton Shoreline Coalition (RSC), remarked that although measurable progress has been made with the proposed Shoreline Master Program (SMP), more work needs to be done. She requested additional time so that the draft SMP can be finished in a way that is agreeable to all parties, and is approvable.

In response to audience comments regarding the Shoreline Master Program, Councilmember Briere announced that the Planning and Development Committee will meet on the issue August 17 and August 26. She remarked that the Committee will evaluate the progress and determine whether additional time is needed. Ms. Briere also stated that she feels strongly that the SMP should be completed as quickly as possible.

Citizen Comment: McCray - Proposed Shoreline Master Program
David McCray (King County) read a prepared statement expressing support for the Renton Shoreline Coalition's request for more time. He noted that additional time is needed in order to develop a Shoreline Master Program that meets the needs of the environment, the public, and private property owners.

Citizen Comment: Johnson - Skyway Annexation
Ben Johnson (Renton) urged Council to look at the budget deficit regarding the West Hill annexation. He stated that the deficit would be $5 million instead of approximately $2 million because of start-up costs. Mr. Johnson remarked that this would cause a reduction of services to current residents. He also presented an analysis showing that a depressed home will devalue approximately ten surrounding properties by ten percent. He remarked that the tax revenue deficit is bigger than has been talked about, and that there are solutions to annexing the area that do not require money.

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

Council Meeting Minutes of 8/9/2010

CAG: 10-091, Renton Fire Station 17 Roof Replacement, Stanley Roofing
City Clerk reported bid opening on 8/11/2010 for CAG-10-091, Renton Fire Station 17 Roof Replacement; seven bids; engineer's estimate $86,266; and submitted staff recommendation to award the contract to the low bidder, Stanley Roofing Co., in the amount of $93,898.07. Council concur.
Finance: Water Bill
Adjustments, Sons of Haiti, Sunnydale Mobile Home Partnership & Mobile Home Park

Finance and Information Technology Department reported utility billing adjustment requests from the Sons of Haiti, the Sunnydale Mobile Home Partnership, and the Sunnydale Mobile Home Park in the total amount of $14,715.46 and recommended granting the adjustments. Refer to Finance Committee.

Airport: Taxiway Bravo Repaving/Reconstruction Project, FAA Grant

Transportation Systems Division recommended approval of a grant agreement to accept $217,762 from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to begin design work for the Taxiway Bravo Repaving/Reconstruction project at the airport. Council concur. (See page 259 for resolution.)

CAG: 08-198, Airport Maintenance Dredging & Shoreline Mitigation, Parametrix

Transportation Systems Division recommended approval of Supplemental Agreement No. 2 to CAG-08-198, with Parametrix, Inc., in the amount of $97,900 for additional project design and permitting work for the Maintenance Dredging and Shoreline Mitigation project. Refer to Transportation (Aviation) Committee.

Lease: Addendum #7, BEFA, LAG-87-001

Transportation Systems Division recommended approval of Addendum #7 to airport lease LAG-87-001, with the Boeing Employee Flying Association (BEFA), to decrease the total leased area from 124,838 square feet to 119,560 square feet, and to increase the total ground lease rate per appraisal to $74,127.20 annually through 5/31/2015. Council concur.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Committee of the Whole
CED: Noise Level Regulations

Council President Persson presented a Committee of the Whole report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve revisions to Renton Municipal Code 8-7 Noise Level Regulations to make the following changes:

1. Correct the typo at the end of the chapter related to appeals to the City Council. The appeal of the variance decision remains to Hearing Examiner.
2. Change the decided authority from the Public Works Administrator to the Community and Economic Development Administrator.
3. Revise noise level violations from misdemeanors to civil violations.
4. Require the noise variance applicant to be the property owner or jurisdiction in charge of the project.
5. Provide a provision for projects of two days or less to be decided without a public hearing. Public notice will still be required.
6. Include a list of possible conditions for an approved noise variance.

The Committee further recommended that the ordinance regarding this matter be presented for first reading.

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.
Transportation (Aviation) Committee
Airport: Regulations & Minimum Standards Update

Transportation (Aviation) Committee Chair Palmer presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve the updated Airport Regulations and Minimum Standards.

MOVED BY PALMER, SECONDED BY TAYLOR, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Finance Committee
CED: Clean Economy Strategy Budget Amendment

Finance Committee Vice-Chair Taylor presented a report recommending the appropriation of $35,000 of unallocated fund balance to the Department of Community and Economic Development for the development of a Clean Economy Strategy.

Once complete, this strategy will contain recommendations that, if enacted, will save the City money and resources, meet state mandates, help secure federal and state funding, and support and attract a thriving business community. This strategy will position the City to take advantage of opportunities related to energy efficiency investments, greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions markets and regulations, and the emerging "clean, green economy."

A corresponding budget amendment will be included in the upcoming 2nd Quarter Budget Amendment Ordinance.

MOVED BY TAYLOR, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Finance: Vouchers

Finance Committee Vice-Chair Taylor presented a report recommending approval of Claim Vouchers 295087-295449 and two wire transfers totaling $8,118,589.76, and 839 direct deposits, 165 payroll vouchers, and one wire transfer, totaling $2,761,641.55. MOVED BY TAYLOR, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Community Services: Ballfield Lighting Replacement, Milne Electric

Finance Committee Vice-Chair Taylor presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve the contract with Milne Electric, Inc., in the amount of $197,730.72 to provide for new lighting for the Philip Arnold Park ballfield.

The Committee further recommended that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the contract.

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

Utilities Committee
CAG: 10-112, East Renton Lift Station Elimination Project, Carollo Engineers

Utilities Committee Chair Zwicker presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve the consultant contract with Carollo Engineers, Inc., in the amount of $141,713, for the final design and construction services for the East Renton Life Station Elimination Project and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the contract.

The Committee further recommended that $100,000 for this project be budgeted and proposed as part of the 2011 annual capital budget submittal. MOVED BY ZWICKER, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Lease: AirO Inc, LAG-03-002

Discussion ensued regarding the issue of AirO, Inc.'s rent deferral. It was determined that the topic would not be reported out of the Transportation (Aviation) Committee.
RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

RESOLUTION #4063
Airport: Taxiway Bravo Repaving/Reconstruction Project, FAA Grant

The following resolution was presented for reading and adoption:

A resolution was read authoring the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the Federal Aviation Administration’s federal grant application and grant assurances and accept the Federal Aviation Administration grant funding for Taxiway Bravo Repaving/Reconstruction project at the Renton Municipal Airport. MOVED BY PALMER, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

The following ordinance was presented for first reading and referred to the 9/13/2010 Council meeting for second and final reading:

CED: Noise Level Regulations

An ordinance was read amending Sections 8-7-5, Penalties for Violation, and 8-7-8, Variances and Appeal, of Chapter 7, Noise Level Regulations, of Title VIII (Health and Sanitation) of Ordinance No. 4260 entitled “Code of General Ordinances of the City of Renton, Washington”, to decriminalize and make violations of Noise Level Regulations civil infractions, and amend the provisions relating to variances and appeals. MOVED BY TAYLOR, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 9/13/2010. CARRIED.

ADDED CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence from Micah Kurtz, Case Manager for Project for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH), was read regarding his appreciation for the Housing Opportunity Fund award to the Habitat for Humanity of East King County’s La Fortuna Phase I affordable home ownership project.

NEW BUSINESS

Community Event: International Festival

Mayor Law thanked Duc Tran, owner of the Tea Palace Restaurant and Banquet, for his major investment in the Highlands area, and for sponsoring the first International Festival, which was a three-day event that attracted thousands of visitors.

Airport: Airport Issues

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL REFER THE TOPIC OF AIRPORT ISSUES TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FOR A BRIEFING. CARRIED.

Transportation: Street Light Fixtures

MOVED BY PALMER, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL REFER THE ISSUE OF STREET LIGHT FIXTURES TO THE TRANSPORTATION (AVIATION) COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

Police: Feeding Dangerous Wildlife

MOVED BY TAYLOR, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL REFER THE ISSUE REGARDING FEEDING OF DANGEROUS WILDLIFE TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY TAYLOR, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED.

Time: 7:49 p.m.

Li Li-Wong, Recorder
August 16, 2010

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

Office of the City Clerk

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