MINUTES
City Council Regular Meeting

7:00 PM - Monday, January 8, 2018
Council Chambers, 7th Floor, City Hall – 1055 S. Grady Way

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Law called the meeting of the Renton City Council to order at 7:00 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

_Councilmembers Present:_
Ed Prince, Council President
Randy Corman
Ryan McIrvin
Armando Pavone
Ruth Pérez
Don Persson
Carol Ann Witschi

_Councilmembers Absent:_
None

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT

Denis Law, Mayor
Jay Covington, Chief Administrative Officer
Leslie Clark, Senior Assistant City Attorney
Jason Seth, City Clerk
Chip Vincent, Community & Economic Development Administrator
Gregg Zimmerman, Public Works Administrator
Ellen Bradley-Mak, Human Resources / Risk Management
Administrative Services Administrator
Kelly Beymer, Community Services Administrator
Jennifer Henning, Planning Director
Angie Mathias, Long Range Planning Manager
Commander Tracy Wilkinson, Police Department
SWEARING-IN CEREMONY

City Clerk Jason Seth administered the official oath of office to the following individuals:

- Randy Corman, Councilmember Position No. 1
- Armondo Pavone, Councilmember Position No. 2

Having been officially sworn-in prior to the Council meeting, Councilmember Ruth Pérez’s husband, Al Ralston, administered a ceremonial oath of office for her election to Councilmember Position No. 6.

PROCLAMATION

**National Mentoring Month:** A proclamation by Mayor Law was read declaring January 2018 to be "National Mentoring Month," and encouraging all citizens to join in this special observance and to consider giving back to our community as mentors. Mara Fiksdal, Program Manager for Communities in Schools of Renton, accepted the proclamation with appreciation. She explained the agency's mission, thanked current and former mentors, and encouraged everyone to consider becoming a mentor.

MOVED BY PRINCE, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL ADOPT THE PROCLAMATION AS READ. CARRIED.

PUBLIC MEETING

**Lucas Annexation (A-17-003):** 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 Commence Annexation Proceedings petition for the proposed Lucas Annexation; at the eastern portion of City limits, in the vicinity of SE 142nd Pl and 154th Pl SE.

Long Range Planning Manager Angie Mathias began the hearing by reviewing the history of the proponent’s previous attempts to the annex this area to Renton. She also noted that the proponent requested a waiver of the $2,500 annexation processing fee due to his previous attempts at annexation, but recommended the fee waiver be rejected. Ms. Mathias reported that the Lucas Annexation site contains single-family homes and vacant property, some steep topography, and no wetlands. She also noted that none of the area’s public services would change: the area would stay within the Renton School District, would continue to be served by the Renton Regional Fire Authority, and it would remain within Water District #90 and the Renton Sewer Utility.

Reviewing the site’s zoning, Ms. Mathias stated that the area is designated in King County’s Comprehensive Plan as Urban Residential Medium (four to twelve dwelling units per acre) with R-4 zoning, and the Renton Land Use designation is Residential Low Density which allows for RC, R-1, or R-4 zoning. She reported that the City pre-zoned the site in 2007 with R-4 zoning.
Ms. Mathias reported that there are 20 dwellings within the area with an estimated 57 residents. She reported that it is estimated there would be nine additional dwelling units with an estimated 26 more residents, based on the zoning standards over the next 10 years. She noted that if annexed, a conservative estimate of the fiscal impacts are that there would be a 3.3% annual cost increase and a 2.5% annual revenue increase.

Concluding, Ms. Mathias reported that the proposed annexation does not meet City annexation policy L-8 regarding the efficient delivery of services because the proposed annexation boundary excludes several homes within established cul-de-sacs. She also noted that the proposed annexation is not generally consistent with Boundary Review Board objectives because the irregular boundary is likely to be found to constitute a "shoestring" or "corridor" annexation that does not substantially abut City limits. Therefore, she recommended Council reject the Lucas Annexation petition.

Public Comment was invited.

Steven Beck, Renton, stated he was speaking on behalf of the annexation's proponent, Bill Wressell. Mr. Beck reiterated the proponent's previous attempts at getting this area annexed. He noted that the property is currently stubbed for four additional sewer hook-ups, and explained that the proponent wants to annex in order to subdivide because current City and County ordinances are preventing him from short platting the property. He remarked that although Council was likely to reject the annexation, he encouraged them to review the City ordinances that are preventing Mr. Wressell from subdividing his property.

There being no further public comment, it was

**MOVED BY MCIRVIN, SECONDED BY PRINCE, COUNCIL CLOSE THE PUBLIC MEETING. CARRIED.**

**MOVED BY MCIRVIN, SECONDED BY WITSCHI, COUNCIL REJECT THE 10% NOTICE OF INTENTION TO COMMENCE ANNEXATION PROCEEDINGS FOR THE PROPOSED LUCAS ANNEXATION. 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 2017 and beyond. Items noted were:

- Inclement Weather Response Reminder: The Public Works Department would like to remind residents to help us prevent local residential street flooding by monitoring catch basins near your home and keeping them clear of leaves and other debris. Street sweepers are dispatched daily to clean up debris along major arterials. Also, snow is not far away. Please remember that during snow and ice events, the department sanders and snow plows are dispatched to keep major arterials drivable. Visit our website at http://rentonwa.gov/living/default.aspx?id=21258 to view our snow route maps. It is imperative that motorists do not park or abandon their vehicles within any portion of the traffic lanes. Abandoned vehicles impair snow and ice removal and impact response of emergency vehicles.
• Preventative street maintenance will continue to impact traffic and result in occasional street closures.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS
The following individuals spoke to concerns about the permitting and zoning, potential lien action, and Transportation Mitigation Fee related to Newcastle Montessori School located at 4018 NE 12th St. Additionally, some individuals spoke to community benefits related to preschools.

- Janell Stover, Renton
- Darcy Stalport, Renton
- Heidi Lloyd, Renton
- Phil Huynh, Renton
- Meena Merchant, Renton

Mayor Law emphasized that the City does not plan to lien the property. He indicated that the City is willing to do everything it can legally do to waive or reduce fees. He encouraged Ms. Stover to contact Community and Economic Development Administrator Chip Vincent, who was in attendance.

Council President Prince stated that he would like this matter to be reviewed by the Planning and Development Committee.

MOVED BY PRINCE, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL REFER THE PERMITTING, ZONING, TRAFFIC MITIGATION FEE, AND OTHER RELATED CONCERNS ABOUT THE NEWCASTLE MONTESSORI PRESCHOOL TO THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

CONSENT AGENDA
Items listed on the Consent Agenda were adopted with one motion, following the listing.


b) AB - 2060 Administrative Services Department recommended approval to hire a GIS Analyst II at Step E of Grade a23, effective February 1, 2018. Refer to Finance Committee.

c) AB - 2058 Community Services Department recommended approval of a contract with The Davey Resource Group, Inc., in the amount of $124,000, to fund a Consulting Certified Arborist Inspector for 2018. Refer to Finance Committee.

d) AB - 2059 Human Resources / Risk Management Department recommended adjusting salary grades, effective January 1, 2018, for the following positions: Assistant Airport Manager, Airport Operations and Maintenance Supervisor, Water Utility Maintenance Supervisor, Civil Engineers I, II and III, Legal Assistant, Network Systems Specialist and Senior Network Systems Specialist, Systems Analyst and Senior Systems Analyst per the Memorandum of Understanding - 2017 AFSCME Salary Review. The budget will be adjusted at the next quarterly budget adjustment. Council Concur.

e) AB - 2056 Public Works Administration requested approval to hire a Maintenance Services Division Maintenance Services Worker III at grade a12, Step D. There is sufficient funding in the department’s 2018 budget to absorb the salary increase. Refer to Finance Committee.
f) **AB - 2057** Public Works Administration requested authorization to convert a vacant Maintenance Services Division Secretary II (grade a07) position to an Administrative Secretary I (a09) position. There is sufficient funding in the department's 2018 budget to absorb the salary increase. Refer to Finance Committee.

g) **AB - 2054** Transportation Systems Division requested authority to execute Change Order No. 13 to CAG-16-177, Main Ave S (5 3rd St. to Mill Ave S) project, contractor Jansen, Inc., in the amount of $209,892.93, required in order to mitigate unforeseen utility conflicts. The change order does not exceed the overall project budget. **Council Concur.**

h) **AB - 2055** Transportation Systems Division submitted JOC-03-003, NW 4th Street/Taylor Avenue ADA Ramps Construction, contractor Saybr Contractors, Inc., and requested acceptance of the project, and approval of the final pay estimates totaling $5,717.47, subject to receipt of all required authorizations. **Council Concur.**

MOVED BY PRINCE, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL CONCUR TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA, AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

a) **Committee of the Whole** Chair Prince presented a report concurring in the staff recommendation to approve adoption of the Renton Downtown Civic Core Vision and Action Plan dated January 2018. The Committee further recommended that the resolution regarding this matter be presented for reading and adoption.

MOVED BY PRINCE, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION. CARRIED.

b) **Finance Committee** Chair Persson presented a report concurring in the staff recommendation to approve claims and payroll vouchers payments:

1. Accounts Payable – total payment of $8,721,088.21 for vouchers 362039, 362055-362056, 362080-362469, 362473-362475, 362483, 362501, 362539-362787; payroll benefit withholding vouchers 5687-5697, 5706-5716, and 362043-362054, 362487-362499; and ten wire transfers.
2. Payroll – total payment of $2,660,325.52 for payroll vouchers which includes 1,261 direct deposits and 52 checks (November 16-30, and December 1-15 2017 pay periods).

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY PÉREZ, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION. CARRIED.

**LEGISLATION**

**Resolution:**

a) **Resolution No. 4330:** A Resolution was read adopting the Renton Downtown Civic Core Vision and Action Plan.

MOVED BY PRINCE, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.
Ordinance for first reading:

b) Ordinance No. 5875: An ordinance was read amending Section 4-6-090 of the Renton Municipal Code, clarifying regulations and exemptions for utility undergrounding requirements, and providing for severability and establishing an effective date.

MOVED BY MCIRVIN, SECONDED BY PÉREZ, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING AT THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING. CARRIED.

Ordinance for second and final reading:

c) Ordinance No. 5873: An ordinance was read amending Subsection 4-6-030.J and Section 4-6-100 of the Renton Municipal Code, amending Illicit Discharge Regulations including amending the definitions for Illicit Connection, Illicit Discharge, Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System, and Stormwater; and providing for severability, and establishing an effective date.

MOVED BY MCIRVIN, SECONDED BY PÉREZ, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Please see the attached Council Committee Meeting Calendar.

Councilmember Persson remarked that he had received several emails regarding the condition of the treadmills and other exercise equipment at the Renton Community Center.

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY PÉREZ, COUNCIL REFER CONDITION OF TREADMILLS AND OTHER EXERCISE EQUIPMENT AT THE RENTON COMMUNITY CENTER TO THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE AND THE ADMINISTRATION. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY PRINCE, SECONDED BY PAVONE, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. TIME: 8:05 P.M.

Jason A. Seth, Recorder
Monday, January 8, 2018
## Council Committee Meeting Calendar

### January 8, 2018

**January 11, 2018**  
Thursday

- **CANCELLED**  
  Utilities Committee, Chair Witschi

- **4:00 PM**  
  Planning & Development Committee, Chair McIrvin – Council Conf. Room
  1. Emerging Issues in CED
  2. Multi-Family Property Tax Exemptions
  3. Newcastle Montessori Pre-school Development Concerns

**January 15, 2018**  
Monday

- **NO MEETINGS**  
  Martin Luther King Jr. Day - City Holiday

**January 22, 2018**  
Monday

- **4:00 PM**  
  Finance Committee – Council Conference Room, Chair Persson
  1. Maintenance Services Worker Hire at Step D
  2. Professional Services Agreement – Arborist Inspection Services
  3. Convert Maintenance Services Secretary II Position to Admin. Assistant I
  4. Compensate GIS Analyst II, Steve Kincaid, at Step E
  5. Vouchers
  6. Emerging Issues in Revenue Streams

- **5:00 PM**  
  Public Safety Committee – Council Conference Room, Chair Pavone
  1. Emerging Issues in Public Safety

- **5:30 PM**  
  Committee of the Whole – Council Chambers, Chair Prince
  1. 2017 Community Survey Results
  2. Small Cellular Wireless Facilities
  3. Bicycle and Trail Master Plan Public Input Update