MINUTES
City Council Regular Meeting

7:00 PM - Monday, August 13, 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
Ruth Pérez
Armondo Pavone
Don Persson
Carol Ann Witschi

Councilmembers Absent:

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT

Denis Law, Mayor
Robert Harrison, Chief Administrative Officer
Leslie Clark, Senior Assistant City Attorney
Jason Seth, City Clerk
Chip Vincent, Community & Economic Development Administrator
Gregg Zimmerman, Public Works Administrator
Jennifer Henning, Planning Director
Mark Santos-Johnson, Community Development Project Manager
Commander Kevin Keyes, Police Department

PROCLAMATION

a) Jerene Battisti Day: A proclamation by Mayor Law was read declaring August 13, 2018 to be Jerene Battisti Day, and encouraging all citizens to join in this special observance. Ms. Battisti expressed appreciation for the proclamation.

MOVED BY PRINCE, SECONDED BY WITSCHI, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE PROCLAMATION. CARRIED.
Public Hearing

a) Interim Control for Fee Waivers & Property Tax Exemptions in Residential Targeted Areas:
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 an interim control prohibiting the acceptance of applications for fee waivers or property tax exemptions for multi-family housing in residential targeted areas.

Community Project Development Manager Mark Santos-Johnson reported that Council adopted an interim control prohibiting the acceptance of applications for fee waivers or property tax exemptions for multi-family housing in residential targeted areas on June 25, 2018, and noted that State law required a public hearing be set within 60 days of adopting the interim control to consider the issue. Mr. Santos-Johnson explained that Council has docketed a legislative review of Renton Municipal Code (RMC) 4-1-210 Waived Fees regarding the eligibility and standards for fee waivers, and RMC 4-1-220 regarding property tax exemptions for multi-family housing in residential targeted areas. He further explained that the region is currently experiencing a housing shortage, particularly for affordable housing.

Continuing, Mr. Santos-Johnson reported that the purpose of multi-family housing incentives has been to encourage owner-occupied and/or rental housing in eligible zones in the Downtown or Sunset Areas, which are two high-priority redevelopment centers for the City. He noted that actual and/or proposed residential development has significantly increased in these areas since the incentives were adopted. Mr. Santos-Johnson reported that the purpose of implementing the interim control was so that Council, the Planning Commission, and staff could have the opportunity to advance potential amendments to the multi-family housing incentives program without the potential of applications being received that may not be in the City's interest. Concluding, he reported the following next steps:

- Develop and present proposals to the Planning Commission and Council Planning & Development Committee;
- Continue to accept and provide opportunities for additional public comment; and
- Continue to provide public notice of the ongoing process either through the City's website or by encouraging interested parties to become parties of record.

Public Comment was invited.

The following people spoke in opposition of the proposed interim control:

- Howard McOmber, Renton, stated the incentives are vital to the effort of developing and redeveloping properties in the residential targeted areas.
- Anita Woo, Bellevue, remarked that the interim control jeopardizes the financial feasibility of her current redevelopment project located near Jefferson Ave NE and NE 16th St.
- Craig Kepler, Seattle, speaking on behalf of the Renton Village project, spoke in favor of limiting fee waivers to projects located within the residential targeted areas.
- Jim Houton, Bellevue, expressed support for the fee waivers because it mitigates some investment risk.
- Timothy Woo, Bellevue, expressed support for the fee waivers because they lower risks for property investors.
There being no further public comment, it was

MOVED BY MCIRVIN, SECONDED BY WITSCHI, COUNCIL CLOSE THE PUBLIC
HEARING. CARRIED.

APPEAL

a) Planning & Development Committee - Wilson Park I Preliminary Plat

MOVED BY MCIRVIN, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL POSTPONES ITS FINAL
ACTION ON THE WILSON PARK I HEARING EXAMINER DECISION UNTIL ITS NEXT
COUNCIL MEETING, AUGUST 20, 2018. THE WILSONS HAVE UNTIL FRIDAY,
AUGUST 17, 2018 TO COMMIT IN WRITING TO CITY STAFF THAT WILSON PARK I
WILL BE BUILT TO ALL CITY LAWS, REGULATIONS, STANDARDS, AND
SPECIFICATIONS IN EFFECT AS OF AUGUST 17, 2018. IN OTHER WORDS, WILSON
PARK I WILL LOSE ITS VESTED STATUS. HOWEVER, CITY STAFF WOULD ALLOW THE
APPLICATION TO PROCEED WITHOUT NEED TO RE-APPLY FOR PRELIMINARY PLAT
APPROVAL AND WITHOUT NEED TO PAY PRELIMINARY PLAT APPLICATION FEES.
IN EXCHANGE, THE CITY COUNCIL TAKES THE PRELIMINARY ACTION TONIGHT TO
MODIFY THE HEARING EXAMINER DECISION TO EXTEND THE PLAT EXPIRATION
DATE FOR WILSON PARK I FROM AUGUST 16, 2018 TO AUGUST 23, 2018. IF THE
WILSONS COMMIT TO THE ABOVE TERM (FOR WILSON PARK I TO MEET CURRENT
LAWS, REGULATIONS, STANDARDS, AND SPECIFICATIONS), THEN CITY STAFF WILL
RECOMMEND TO THE CITY COUNCIL TO EXTEND THE WILSON PARK I EXPIRATION
TO JULY 5, 2019. THE CITY COUNCIL HOLDS OPEN THE APPEAL HEARING FOR
WILSON PARK I TO RETAIN JURISDICTION AND TO MAKE A FINAL DECISION AS TO
THE HEARING EXAMINER DECISION. CARRIED.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Chief Administrative Officer Robert Harrison reviewed a written administrative report
summarizing the City’s recent progress towards goals and work programs adopted as part of
its business plan for 2018 and beyond. Items noted were:

- The second annual Cruz the Loop event will take place Saturday, August 18th from
  5:00 to 9:00 p.m. It will be an evening of live music, food, classic cars, and the vintage
  cruise around the Renton loop. Pre-registration is required as spots are limited. For
  more information, visit http://rentonwa.gov/cruz.
- Learn how to respond to disasters. Renton CERT classes are taught by local subject
  matter experts including firefighters, police officers, chaplains, emergency managers,
  and medical professionals. Learn to extinguish fires, conduct search and rescue,
  provide basic first aid, identify and respond to terrorism, assist professional
  responders, reduce survivor stress, and prepare yourself and your community for
  emergencies. Summer classes will take place August 23rd through 25th from 8:00
  a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Register online with code 61514 or call 425-430-6700.
- Preventative street maintenance will continue to impact traffic and result in
  occasional street closures.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

b) **AB - 2178** City Clerk recommended granting a 20-year latecomer agreement, File No. LA-17-001, in the amount of $188,408, to Kushal Varma and Kajal Ram for sewer main extension on SE 132nd St., and authorizing staff to finalize the latecomer agreement per City Code, including directing the City Clerk to notify affected property owners. Refer to Utilities Committee.

c) **AB - 2195** Transportation Systems Division recommended adoption of a resolution authorizing the temporary complete closure of SW 19th St. between 100 SW 19th St. and 204 SW 19th St. for a period of up to 10 calendar days between September 4 and September 30, 2018 to construct the Rolling Hills Creek culvert tie-in as part of the I-405/SR 167 Interchange Direct Connector project. Refer to Transportation (Aviation) Committee.

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

a) **Public Safety Committee** Chair Pavone presented a report concurring in the staff recommendation to repeal and replace Renton Municipal Code 6-3, with language and processes that support modern false alarm reduction programs.

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

b) **Utilities Committee** Chair Witschi presented a report concurring in the staff recommendation to approve the Award of the Falcon Ridge Lift Station Replacement and Force Main Improvements Project to Road Construction Northwest, Inc. with a bid of $926,502.50. The Utilities Committee further recommended concurrence in the staff recommendation to transfer $250,000 from Thunder Hill Interceptor Rehabilitation project (426.465495) to Falcon Ridge Lift Station Replacement and Force Main Improvements project (426.465480) as part of the next budget adjustment. The proposed $1,250,000 budget for Falcon Ridge Lift Station Replacement and Force Main Improvements project will be sufficient to cover the bid amount plus an approximate 20% contingency, the engineering contract, and staff time.

**MOVED BY WITSCHI, SECONDED BY MCIIRVIN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION. CARRIED.**

c) **Utilities Committee** Chair Witschi presented a report concurring in the staff recommendation to execute Change Order No. 1 to CAG-17-174 with Laser Underground & Earthworks, Inc. in the amount of $302,406.79 for the rebuilding of Cedar Avenue South.

**MOVED BY WITSCHI, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION. CARRIED.**
d) **Finance Committee** Chair Persson presented a report concurring in the staff recommendation to approve the following payments:

1. Accounts Payable – total payment of $12,193,110.73 for vouchers 10081-10084, 72518, 72718, 7012018, 366581-366584, 366596-366929, 366943-367341; payroll benefit withholding vouchers 5845-5864, 70218, 70918, 366585-366595, 366930-366942; and seventeen wire transfers.
2. Payroll – total payment of $3,017,559.20 for payroll vouchers which includes 1,575 direct deposits and 79 checks (June 15-30 & July 01-15 2018 pay periods).

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

e) **Utilities Committee** Chair Witschi presented a report concurring in the staff recommendation to execute the agreement with Murraysmith, Inc. in the amount of $683,735 for Phase 2 of the Downtown Utility Improvement Project.

**MOVED BY WITSCHI, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION. CARRIED.**

f) **Finance Committee** Chair Persson presented a report concurring in the staff recommendation to approve the Consortium Fiber Project Agreement to conduct a feasibility study to utilize the Eastside Rail Corridor as a fiber optic infrastructure corridor.

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

g) **Finance Committee** Chair Persson presented a report concurring in the staff recommendation to authorize and sign the En Pointe Technology purchase order in the amount of $157,730.17 for the renewal of Microsoft Enterprise Licenses True-up under an existing Volume Licensing Agreement (Enrollment No. 81271399 / Agreement No. 01E73965).

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

**LEGISLATION**

**Resolution:**

a) **Resolution No. 4350:** A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an interlocal agreement with the City of Bellevue, City of Kirkland, City of Redmond, King County, Bellevue School District 405, Lake Washington School District, and Renton School District, entitled "Consortium Project Agreement 73," regarding the Eastside Rail Corridor (ERC) Fiber Optic Feasibility Study, with such study being a project of the Community Connectivity Consortium which was previously formed by interlocal agreement.

**MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY PÉREZ, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.**
Ordinance for first reading:

b) Ordinance No. 5886: An ordinance was read repealing and replacing Chapter 6-3 of the Renton Municipal Code, amending alarm system regulations, and providing for severability and establishing an effective date.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Please see the attached Council Meeting Calendar.

MOVED BY PAVONE, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL REFER THE TOPIC OF THE RENTON REGIONAL FIRE AUTHORITY’S SEPARATION FROM RECEIVING CITY SUPPORT FOR CERTAIN SERVICES TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY PRINCE, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. TIME: 7:37 P.M.

Jason A. Seth, CMC, City Clerk

Jason Seth, Recorder
Monday, August 13, 2018
August 20, 2018
Monday

4:00 PM  Transportation Committee, Chair Corman – Council Conference Room
1. Temporary Total Closure of East Valley Rd & SW 19th St. Intersection
2. Temporary Total Closure of SW 19th St.
3. 2019-2024 Six-year Transportation Improvement Program
4. Regional Transit Planning Discussion
5. Emerging Issues in Transportation
   - Including Wells and Williams Conversion Update

5:30 PM  Community Services Committee, Chair Pérez – Council Conference Room
1. Park Maintenance Responsibility of Homeless Camp Removals & Requirements
2. Emerging Issues in Community Services

6:00 PM  Committee of the Whole, Chair Prince – Council Chambers
1. King County Metro’s Sewer Interceptor Rehabilitation Project
2. Regional Issues