MINUTES

City Council Regular Meeting

7:00 PM - Monday, January 14, 2019
Council Chambers, 7th Floor, City Hall – 1055 S. Grady Way

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present:
Don Persson, Mayor Pro Tem
Randy Corman
Ryan McIrvin
Ruth Pérez
Armondo Pavone
Ed Prince
Carol Ann Witschi, Council President Pro Tem

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT

Robert Harrison, Chief Administrative Officer
Shane Moloney, City Attorney
Megan Gregor, Deputy City Clerk
Cliff Long, Economic Development Director
Gregg Zimmerman, Public Works Administrator
Ellen Bradley-Mak, Human Resources and Risk Management Administrator
Angie Mathias, Long Range Planning Manager
Kim Gilman, Human Resources Labor Manager
Police Chief Ed VanValey, Police Department
Community Program Coordinator Cyndie Parks, Police Department
Commander Dan Figaro, Police Department
PROCLAMATION

a) National Mentoring Month: A proclamation by Mayor Law was read declaring January 2019 to be National Mentoring Month in the City of Renton, in tribute to the many dedicated individuals who volunteer their time, compassion, and talents to mentor young people, encouraging all citizens to join in this special observance and to consider giving back to our community as mentors. Fawn Perkowsky, Operations Manager with Communities In Schools of Renton (CISR) accepted the proclamation with thanks.

MOVED BY WITSCHI, SECONDED BY PAVONE, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE PROCLAMATION. CARRIED.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

a) Police: Camera Registration Program: Police Chief Ed VanValey introduced Cyndie Parks, who provided a brief presentation on a new crime prevention program that will allow residents and business owners to help solve crime and assist in lowering incidents of criminal activity, by registering external business or personal camera locations with the City of Renton.

b) Police: Take Me Home Program: Cyndie Parks provided a brief presentation on the Take Me Home Program, a free location search service designed for individuals with autism, Down syndrome, developmental or cognitive disabilities, and senior citizens suffering from dementia or Alzheimer’s who have gone missing.

PUBLIC MEETING

a) Bill Annexation (A-18-002): this being the date set and proper notices having been posted and published in accordance with local and State laws, Mayor Pro Tempore Persson opened the public meeting to consider the 10% Notice of Intent to Commence Annexation Proceedings for the proposed Bill Annexation.

Long Range Planning Manager Angie Mathias reported that the proposed Bill Annexation site is at the eastern portion of City limits in the East Plateau Community Planning Area, and bordered to the north by a parcel line near SE 3rd St., at 154th Ave SE to the east, parcel lines at SE 139th Place to the south (if extended), and 152nd Ave SE to the west. She noted that the area has no regulated slopes or wetlands and streams in the immediate vicinity of the site. Ms. Mathias reported that if the site were to be annexed the fire authority, utilities, and school district would remain unchanged.

Reviewing the site’s zoning, Ms. Mathias stated that the area is designated in King County’s Comprehensive Plan as Urban Residential Low with R-4 zoning. She reported that the City has designated the site as Residential Low Density which provides the City with the option to zone it as Resource Conservation (RC) allowing one dwelling unit per 10 acres, R-1 allowing one dwelling unit per acre, or R-4 allowing four dwelling units per acre. She specified that this site was pre-zoned in 2007 with R-4 zoning.

Ms. Mathias reported that currently there are three dwellings on the site with an estimated eight residents. It is estimated there could be a total of twenty additional dwelling units with an estimated additional fifty-six residents, based on the current zoning standards. If annexed, a conservative estimate of the fiscal impacts are that there would be a 3.5% annual cost increase and a 2.5% annual revenue increase.
Concluding, Ms. Mathias stated that a comment was received by a southern neighboring property that would also like to be included in the annexation area, and that the proponent is supportive of this addition. Additionally, the proposed annexation is generally consistent with City annexation policies and Boundary Review board objectives, and the City’s best interests and general welfare would be served by this annexation.

There being no public comment, it was

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

Following Council discussion, it was

MOVED BY PRINCE, SECONDED BY WITSCHI, COUNCIL AMEND THE ANNEXATION BOUNDARY AS REQUESTED AND AUTHORIZE CIRCULATION OF A 60% DIRECT PETITION TO ANNEX, SPECIFYING THAT PROPERTY OWNERS ACCEPT THE CITY’S ZONING AND ASSUME THEIR PROPORTIONAL SHARE OF THE CITY’S BONDED INDEBTEDNESS. 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 2019 and beyond. Items noted were:

- The mayor’s annual State of the City address is January 30 at 8:00 a.m. at Renton Pavilion Event Center. Tickets are $25 each or $200 for a table of 8 and can be purchased by calling 425-430-6616.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

The following individuals spoke to Council regarding their concerns about the denial of grant funding for RenCon, a Renton City Comic Con, from the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) grants:

- Andrew Bramund, Renton
- Brian Morris, Renton
- Jennifer Skelton, Kent
- Sara Servin, Renton
- Benjamin Andrews, Renton
- Rose Skelton, Kent
- Sam Granquist, Seattle
- Abie Ekenezar, Burien
- Emilio Morales, Bellevue
- Rachael Furlong, Renton
- Amdr Fakharzadeh, Kent, shared his feelings concerning the proposal to implement a RIO (Residential Inspection Ordinance). He remarked that his family owns multiple affordable housing properties in Renton, and that his concern is that an ordinance like this would initiate even more regulations which could, in turn, make it harder for smaller property landlords to keep and maintain rentals within Renton.
• Patience Malaba, Renton, advocacy manager at the Housing Development Consortium of Seattle and King County expressed support regarding the implementation of a Rental Inspection Licensing ordinance.

CONSENT AGENDA

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


b) AB - 2298 City Clerk submitted King County Boundary Review Board Closing Letter regarding the proposed Wolf Woods Annexation, and recommended a public hearing be set on January 28, 2019 to consider finalizing the annexation and zoning for the proposed annexation. Council Concur; Set Public Hearing on 01/28/2019.

c) AB - 2302 Community & Economic Development Department recommended approval of an interlocal agreement between the cities of Bellevue, Issaquah, Kirkland, Redmond, and Renton that formalizes the cooperative effort to support a robust entrepreneur and small business ecosystem on the Eastside, known as Startup 425, in the amount of $15,000 annually for 2019 and 2020. Refer to Planning & Development Committee.

d) AB - 2294 Community & Economic Development Department requested setting a public hearing on February 4, 2019 to consider 1) authorizing the execution of Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) documents for a Temporary Easement and Warranty Deed required as part of WSDOT’s I-405 & NE 44th St Interchange (Exit 7) project with compensation set at $20,000; and 2) authorize the disbursement of funds in the amount of $10,000 to King County as required repayment of grant funds for the King County Conservation Futures Levy. Refer to Transportation (Aviation) Committee; Set Public Hearing on 2/4/2019.

e) AB - 2304 Community & Economic Development Department recommended establishing a work program to consider allowing outdoor recreation as part of mixed use projects in the Urban Center (UC) zone. Refer to Planning Commission and Planning & Development Committee.


g) AB - 2303 Utility Systems Division submitted the Kennydale Lakeline Sewer Improvement Phase II project, CAG-18-110, with Ballard Marine Construction, LLC, and recommended acceptance of the project, and requested authorization to release the retainage bond after 60 days, once all required releases have been obtained. Council Concur.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a) Committee of the Whole Chair Persson presented a report concurring in the staff recommendation to approve the agreement for services between the Owner (City of Renton) and Architect (Baylis Architects) for $1,239,097.05 for the Family First Community Center.

MOVED BY WITSCHI, SECONDED BY PRINCE, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION. CARRIED.
b) Committee of the Whole Chair Persson presented a report concurring in the staff recommendation to approve allocations for the 2019 Lodging Tax Fund as recommended by the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee as follows:

- Renton Chamber of Commerce, Operation of Tourism Organization: $100,000
- City of Renton, Renton Community Marketing: $75,000
- International Assoc of Firefighters Local 864, 2019 Convention: $50,000
- Seattle TISI Sangam, Sangam Convention 2019: $30,000
- LTAC selected Community event sponsorships: $20,000
- Ravishing Women, Ravishing Women’s Show: $15,000
- REEL Renton, Seattle Film Summit: $15,000
- City of Renton, Multicultural Festival: $10,000
- Coalition of Filipino American, Philippine Independence Day: $10,000
- NW Premier Jr. Football & Cheer, All Star weekend & Jamboree: $7,500
- City of Renton, Cruz the Loop: $5,000
- Renton Downtown Partnership, Wine Walks and Ladies Night: $5,000
- Total Recommendation: $342,500

The Committee further recommended authorization for the Mayor and City Clerk to execute contracts with the successful applicants to expend budgeted funds on the proposed additional marketing initiatives.

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

c) Finance Committee Chair Pavone presented a report concurring in the staff recommendation to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with MIG, Inc. to complete the six-year update to the Parks, Recreation and Natural Areas Plan, in the amount of $206,993 and be funded from the Capital Improvement Fund (Fund 316). The Committee recommended that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the Agreement.

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

d) Finance Committee Chair Pavone presented a report concurring in the staff recommendation to approve the 2019 contract agreement with Davey Resource Group, Inc. in the amount of $139,360 for a Consulting Certified Arborist Inspector to assist with the Community Services Department - Urban Forestry Program tree requests’ for service.

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

e) Finance Committee Chair Pavone presented a report concurring in the staff recommendation to authorize the Community Services Department, Recreation and Neighborhood Division to increase the current 0.50 FTE Recreation Specialist focused on youth athletics, to 0.75 FTE.

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

f) Finance Committee Chair Pavone presented a report concurring in the staff recommendation to approve the King County Grant Agreement (Project #1134841/Contract #6032102 for $55,000 and King County Grant Agreement Project #1134134/Contract 6024530) for $20,000 for the construction and installation of the Family First Community Center.

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

g) Finance Committee Chair Pavone presented a report concurring in the staff recommendation to approve the State of Washington Transportation Improvement Board Fuel Tax Grant Agreement for $500,000 for the Duvall Avenue NE Roadway Improvements Project, NE 9th Street to NE 10th Street.

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

h) Planning and Development Committee Chair Prince presented a report concurring with the staff and Planning Commission recommendation to amend the regulations regarding recreational uses in mixed use projects in the Urban Center zone be prepared and presented for first reading when it is complete.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Please see the attached Council Committee Meeting Calendar.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY PRINCE, SECONDED BY PAVONE, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. TIME: 8:33 P.M.

Jason A. Seth, CMC, City Clerk

Megan Gregor, CMC, Recorder
Monday, January 14, 2019
January 21, 2019

NO MEETINGS  Martin Luther King Holiday

January 28, 2019

5:00 PM  Planning & Development Committee, Chair Prince – Council Conference Room
1. Recreation Uses in the UC Zone
2. Emerging Issues in CED
3. 2019 CED Work Program
4. Shoreline Master Plan Update
5. Startup425 Interlocal Agreement

6:00 PM  Utilities Committee, Chair Pérez – Council Conference Room
1. SE 172nd St. Stormwater Grant
2. Heather Downs Project Agreement
3. 16th & Jefferson Stormwater Agreement
4. Emerging Issues in Utilities

CANCELLED  Committee of the Whole, Vice Chair Witschi