CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL OF COUNCILMEMBERS

TONI NELSON, Council President Pro Tem; DAN CLAWSON; DENIS LAW; MARCIE PALMER; DON PERSSON. MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCILMEMBERS RANDY CORMAN AND TERRI BRIERE. CARRIED.

CITY STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

KATHY KEOLKER, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; LAWRENCE J. WARREN, City Attorney; BONNIE WALTON, City Clerk; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator; ALEX PIETSCH, Economic Development Administrator; MARTY WINE, Assistant CAO; NATHAN JONES, Transportation Planner; INTERIM CHIEF LARRY RUDE, DEPUTY CHIEF CHUCK DUFFY, and FIRE MARSHAL/BATTALION CHIEF STAN ENGLER, Fire Department; CHIEF KEVIN MILOSEVICH and COMMANDER KATIE MCCLINCY, Police Department.

PROCLAMATION

ACS-505th WAMCATS Day - 7/12/2006

A proclamation by Mayor Keolker was read declaring the day of July 12, 2006, to be "ACS (Alaska Communication System) - 505th WAMCATS (Washington Alaska Military Cable and Telegraph System) Day" in the City of Renton and encouraging all citizens to join in this special observance. MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE PROCLAMATION AS READ. CARRIED.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Transportation: Commute Trip Reduction Diamond Award Winner Recognition

Transportation Planner Nathan Jones explained that the State legislature created the Commute Trip Reduction (CTR) law to reduce traffic congestion, air pollution, and petroleum consumption in the State. To comply with the CTR law, Renton requires employers with 100 or more full-time permanent year-round employees to have programs supporting alternate commutes. He noted that these employers must have an employee transportation coordinator who educates employees about their commute options.

Mr. Jones reported that 19 Commuter Challenge Diamond Awards were recently presented to King County employers and individuals who reduce gridlock by motivating employees to try commute alternatives. He introduced Cindy Bunger, the employee transportation coordinator at Hunter Douglas, who is a recipient of this leadership award. Ms. Bunger was presented with a certificate of appreciation in recognition of her consistent efforts to develop and implement a workplace CTR program, resulting in one of the lower single-occupancy-vehicle rates among employers in the City of Renton.

Regional Issues: Brightwater Treatment Plant, Recognition of Renton Support

Christie True, with King County's Department of Natural Resources and Parks, recognized former Mayor Jesse Tanner, former Councilmember King Parker, Utility Engineering Supervisor Dave Christensen, City Attorney Larry Warren, and the Mayor and Council for their support and interest in the siting process for the Brightwater wastewater treatment facilities, which will serve portions of King and Snohomish Counties. She reported that construction of the Brightwater Treatment Plant began on 4/12/2006.
In recognition of Renton's outstanding governmental relations work on the Brightwater project, Ms. True presented Mayor Keolker with a plaque signed by King County Executive Ron Sims and King County Council Chair Larry Phillips. Mayor Keolker passed along the plaque to City Attorney Warren in recognition of his hard work on this project.

Councilman Clawson noted that if the Brightwater project had not moved forward, massive reconstruction on the eastside would have taken place to expand the present trunk system to handle the additional sewage at the South Treatment Plant in Renton.

Interim Fire Chief Larry Rude gave a briefing on fireworks activities over the July 4 holiday. He reported that the fireworks ban in Renton took effect in 2005. Interim Chief Rude explained that the City's goal of reducing fireworks-related injuries and property damage was communicated to citizens in various ways, including fliers in the utility bills, and postings at businesses and high-occupancy apartment complexes. He noted that the City holds a public fireworks display at Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park as an alternative.

Continuing, Interim Chief Rude reported that Renton experienced a decrease in fireworks-related calls and incidents in 2005 and 2006 as compared to prior years. Reviewing related statistics, he noted that the total monetary damage in 2006 was $1,300, and during the time period of July 1 to July 10, 200 calls for service were received this year as compared to 286 in 2005.

Interim Chief Rude pointed out the importance of communicating with citizens. He concluded by reviewing the City's communication strategies for 2007, which include targeting more non-English speaking citizens, postings at fireworks stands in neighboring jurisdictions, and signage at the City limits and transportation corridors.

Mayor Keolker noted that it was nice and quiet this year, and the fireworks display at Gene Coulon Park was wonderful. Councilman Law stated that Renton residents have the opportunity to vote on whether to eliminate the fireworks ban this fall, and he inquired as to when the use of fireworks would again be allowed if the ban was eliminated. Chief Administrative Officer Jay Covington replied that fireworks use could be allowed as early as January 2007.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Planning: Street Grid System Amendments

This being the date set and proper notices having been posted and published in accordance with local and State laws, Mayor Keolker opened the public hearing to consider the amendments to the City's Street Grid System (City Code 9-11).

Economic Development Administrator Alex Pietsch explained that under the current street naming system, all avenues (running north/south) are named after cities and towns in Washington, all streets (running east/west) are numbered, and directional prefixes or suffixes are assigned with downtown Renton as the center point. He pointed out that upon annexation, all roadways are renamed to conform with this system.

Mr. Pietsch discussed the issues with the current system. He indicated that the names of avenues established in City Code have expired, and the City is near the end of a round of alphabetical naming of avenues with names of Washington cities and towns. Mr. Pietsch stated that potentially thousands of residents in Renton's Potential Annexation Area could be annexed and thus be required to change addresses. He explained that in the past, conformity with the current system was essential to police and fire crews and their ability to quickly
locate and respond to emergency calls. With the establishment of geographic information systems (GIS) and data terminals in all emergency vehicles, this requirement is no longer necessary.

Turning to the proposed street naming changes, Mr. Pietsch stated that most newly annexed areas will retain their current addresses and not be integrated into the City's naming system, numbering system, or directional prefixes. He reviewed the proposed changes as follows:

- Annexed segments of SE Renton-Maple Valley Hwy. shall be renamed Maple Valley Hwy.
- Annexed segments of 68th Ave. S., south of Martin Luther King Way, shall be renamed Monster Rd. SW.
- Newly annexed areas bounded by I-405 to the west, 159th Ave. SE (Zillah Ave. SE) to the east, May Valley Rd. to the north, and Maple Valley Hwy. to the south will be assigned addresses according to the Renton street naming system.
- The roadway known as SE May Valley Rd. shall retain its name and numbering system, and the portion of the roadway now known as NE 31st St. shall be restored to the original name (SE May Valley Rd.) and numbering system.
- The street named Vesta Ave. NE will be renamed Vantage Blvd. NE.
- Annexed segments of 156th Ave. SE, north of NE 4th St./SE 128th St. shall be renamed Vantage Pl.
- Annexed segments of 156th Ave. SE, south of NE 4th St./SE 128th St; SE 142nd Pl. between 154th Ave. SE/Toledo Ave. SE and 156th Ave. SE; and 154th Pl. SE shall be renamed Vantage Blvd.
- Annexed segments of 156th Ave. SE, south of the intersection with SE 142nd Pl. shall be renamed Vantage Ctr. SE.
- Annexed segments of SE Carr Rd., SE 179th St., SE 176th St., and SE Petrovitsky Rd. shall be renamed SE Carr Rd. west of 108th Ave. SE, and SE Petrovitsky Rd. east of 108th Ave. SE.

In conclusion, Mr. Pietsch stated that the proposed changes will prevent the unnecessary inconvenience and cost that annexing property owners, residents, and businesses face with address changes. He noted that the address changes have been a reason for people not wanting to annex to Renton. Mr. Pietsch pointed out that the changes may create additional work for City staff to identify addresses within the City limits. He reported that this item is currently in the Planning and Development Committee, and feedback on the matter will be reviewed by the Committee.

Mayor Keolker indicated that her main concern regarding changing the street grid system was public safety; however, now that technology has changed, it is time to reconsider the current system.

Public comment was invited.

Andrew Duffus, 2905 Ilwaco Ave. NE, Renton, 98059, spoke in favor of retaining the name May Valley Rd. within Renton for the following four reasons: history, continuity, safety, and minimal inconvenience. He explained that May Valley Rd. has existed for over 60 years, and continuity and consistency will be maintained by retaining the name, as residents in City of Newcastle and unincorporated King County have May Valley Rd. addresses. Mr. Duffus noted that the change will only affect four residents.
June Hill, 225 Vesta Ave. SE, Renton, 98059, reported that she lives at the only house on Vesta Ave. SE, and only three houses exist on Vesta Ave. NE. She described the problems she has encountered with the post office, with people trying to locate her house, and with City staff since her address was changed. Ms. Hill stated that if the street name is going to be changed again to Vantage Blvd., she requested that instead, the name be changed back to 156th Ave. SE.

Kristy Hill, 225 Vesta Ave. SE, Renton, 98059, stated that if Vesta Ave. has to be renamed Vantage Blvd., she asked that the change take place when the larger annexation is approved. In the meantime, she recommended that the name be changed back to 156th Ave. SE so that people can locate her house.

J. Paul Blake, 17627 133rd Pl. SE, Renton, 98058, expressed his support for the proposal, saying that the amendments will prevent address changes from being an issue for potential annexations to Renton.

Gwendolyn High, President of Citizens’ Alliance for a Responsible Evendell, 13405 158th Ave. SE, Renton, 98059, agreed with the retainage of current addresses when areas are annexed to Renton. In regards to the Vesta Ave. name change, she suggested that the street be renamed back to 156th Ave. SE, as 156th is a regional landmark and it is easily locatable. Ms. High noted that GIS is great when looking at coordinates; however, addressing is difficult because every single database has to be manually updated.

Councilman Persson acknowledged the frustration expressed by residents living on Vesta Ave. He stated that the current street grid system has worked well for a long time; however, as the City grows and with the advancements in technology, a change is worth considering. Councilwoman Nelson indicated that there are advantages to using the King County grid system.

Expressing appreciation for the speakers’ comments, Chief Administrative Officer Jay Covington assured that their comments will be taken under consideration. Councilman Clawson stressed that the audience testimony is very helpful. Councilman Law stated that changing Vesta Ave. back to 156th Ave. SE should be strongly considered if there is little downside to the City.

Correspondence was read from August R. Tabacek, 5531 NE 31st St., Renton, 98059, expressing support for restoring the roadway known as NE 31st St. to its original name of SE May Valley Rd. He also requested that the expense to rename streets be considered.

There being no further public comment, it was MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. CARRIED.

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 2006 and beyond. Items noted included:

- The City’s bond credit rating has been upgraded by both Fitch Rating Services and Standard and Poor's to AA- (from A+). The highest possible rating is AAA. The rating upgrade will reduce costs to the community for the planned bond issuance in mid-July.

- The first "Play Day in the Park" of the summer was held on June 28 at Kiwanis Park. Co-sponsored by Renton Kiwanis and Greater Renton Kiwanis, games, crafts, and inflatables were enjoyed by approximately 250 youth ages six to eleven.
AUDIENCE COMMENT

Citizen Comment: Taylor - The Landing Project

Greg Taylor, 702 SW 3rd Pl., Renton, 98055, voiced support for the City's continued efforts towards the completion of The Landing development. As a resident and business person, Mr. Taylor stated that he welcomes the development. He pointed out that it promises increased economic vitality; a unique urban dining, shopping, and entertainment environment; and jobs for local residents. Mr. Taylor noted his unhappiness when he discovered that Westfield, owner of Westfield Southcenter Mall, has created a group called Alliance for the South End who is opposing The Landing project. He encouraged people not to be bullied by this competitor.

Citizen Comment: O'Neill - The Landing Project

Sean O'Neill, 334 Wells Ave. S., Renton, 98057, expressed his support for the transformation of the surplus Boeing property into The Landing project. Mr. O'Neill indicated that he is looking forward to this vibrant retail and entertainment facility. He stated that he is proud to work in and be a resident of Renton, and is proud of the sense of rebirth that a project such as this promises for the City. Mr. O'Neill urged the City to resist the anti-competitive business practices of The Landing's competitor.

Citizen Comment: McOmber - Highlands Area Redevelopment

Howard McOmber, 475 Olympia Ave. NE, Renton, 98056, stated that the Highlands Community Association (HCA) appreciates the Mayor's abandonment of the use of the Community Renewal Act and the Designation of Blight for the Highlands area. He relayed that the HCA advocates revitalization of the Highlands and seeks a new dialogue with the City towards this end. Mr. McOmber noted that many Highlands area residents are upgrading their properties. He reviewed ways that the area's revitalization can be achieved; including grants and low interest loans, code compliance efforts, greater police presence, zoning that encourages private redevelopment and preserves the rights of existing owners, identification of neighborhood infrastructure in the greatest need of repair, and hiring of an outside planning consultant.

Citizen Comment: Petersen - The Landing Project, Neighborhood Program

Inez Petersen, PO Box 2041, Renton, 98056, noted that citizens have voiced concerns regarding The Landing project, and she indicated that it does not matter who is funding or behind the Alliance for the South End citizens group, but whether their environmental concerns are valid. On another subject, she pointed out that the Neighborhood Program grant money belongs to all Renton residents, and asked that the City review its neighborhood association and grant rules to ensure that these rules provide equity to all residents. Ms. Petersen also asked that Council sanction a Spirit of the Highlands picnic with the use of the picnic van and other resources normally provided to neighborhood picnics. She concluded that while the Highlands Community Association is not recognized by the City, it is recognized by the hundreds of people who are members of the association.

Citizen Comment: Walker - Sir Cedric Condominium Redevelopment, Highlands Area

Colin Walker, 3233 NE 12th St., #301, Renton, 98056, introduced himself as the president of the Sir Cedric Condominium Homeowners Association Board of Directors. He stated that the 45-unit complex began a $1.4 million, six-month repair and renewal project, which includes repairing rot and replacing siding. Mr. Walker noted that the project was funded by individual unit owners through a lump-sum special assessment, and is the first major residential renewal project in the Highlands area. He praised the City for its Highlands redevelopment efforts, and thanked Neighborhood Program Coordinator Norma McQuiller for her work with the homeowners association.

Citizen Comment: DeMastus - Victim of Attack at Residence

Sandel DeMastus, Highlands Community Association (HCA) Vice President, PO Box 2041, Renton, 98056, stated that her home was broken into and she was attacked at 3 a.m. on June 24. Noting that her camcorder was stolen and her scanner was taken for evidence, she thanked the HCA and others for...
contributing money to replace the equipment. Ms. DeMastus thanked the police for their handling of the matter, and expressed her hope that the attacker will be caught.

Citizen Comment: Soptich - Fireworks Ban

Fire Chief Lee Soptich, Eastside Fire and Rescue, 175 NW Newport Way, Issaquah, 98027, speaking on behalf of the King County Fire Chiefs Association, praised Renton's ban on fireworks and its commitment to continue to promote the virtues of the ban. He stated that a majority of cities in King County have entered into fireworks bans, and over the years he has seen the positive effects of the bans. Chief Soptich stressed that bans are the best prevention for damaging fires and injuries that result from fireworks. Noting that fire service within King County is a fabric, he indicated that the patchwork of areas with bans and without bans can be detrimental, particularly within the urban areas. Chief Soptich pointed out that citizens find other ways to celebrate Independence Day, and that organizations can find alternate ways to raise funds rather than by selling fireworks.

MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL ALLOW THE SPEAKER TWO MORE MINUTES FOR HIS COMMENTS. CARRIED.

Chief Soptich noted that in communities with fireworks bans, he has found that citizens police themselves. He encouraged citizens to think about the ramifications to the community of fireworks-caused fires.

Citizen Comment: Klopfenstein - Fireworks Ban

John Klopfenstein, 900 Oakesdale Ave. SW, Renton, 98057, introduced himself as the King County Fire Marshal, and complimented the City for adopting a fireworks ban. He reported that the Fire Marshal's office is working on an adopted fireworks ban by 6/28/2007 for all of King County that would take effect by 6/28/2008. Fire Marshal Klopfenstein stated that the goal is to eliminate the patchwork effect of the non-banned fireworks areas in King County.

Citizen Comment: Johnson - Hanging Flower Baskets, Wells Ave S Cement Work

Arland "Buzz" Johnson, 334 Wells Ave. S., #306, Renton, 98057, displayed photographs of large hanging flowers baskets in the City of Lake Oswego, Oregon, and in the City of Bremerton, and a photograph of a smaller flower basket in Renton. Additionally, he commented on the shoddy cement work performed on Wells Ave. S., and displayed a photograph showing a boot print in the cement.

Councilwoman Nelson stated that the flowers planted in the hanging baskets are sturdier this year, and she asked Mr. Johnson to observe how large they grow during the summer.

Citizen Comment: Meyer - Fireworks Ban

Fire Chief Bob Meyer, City of SeaTac, 2929 S. 200th St., SeaTac, 98198, stated that this was the first year of SeaTac's fireworks ban, and he noted the 50 percent reduction in fireworks-related contacts with the fire and police departments. Chief Meyer reported that fireworks caused the fire at former Boulevard Park School in SeaTac on 7/2/2006. The damage assessment so far is $2.5 million. He said this was the biggest fire in SeaTac's history, and he thanked Renton for sending a ladder truck to help fight the fire. Chief Meyer indicated that he will be actively working with King County to ban fireworks in its unincorporated areas.

In response to Councilman Clawson's question, Chief Meyer stated that the type of fireworks that caused the fire at the school is still under investigation. He confirmed that legal fireworks can also cause fires.
Citizen Comment: Peschek - Maplewood Golf Course, RiverRock Restaurant Noise

Dennis Peschek, 13451 SE 141st St., Renton, 98059, noted the ongoing noise problems affecting the Maplewood Heights Community located above the Maplewood Golf Course. He indicated that the weekend nighttime music emanating from the RiverRock restaurant disturbs his television viewing. Mr. Peschek said the noise violates the City's noise ordinance, and asked that the City take action on the matter.

Police Chief Kevin Milosevich reported that police responded to a call last Friday night from Mr. Peschek regarding the noise at the golf course. He indicated that the matter will be further investigated, and the level of noise will be measured. In response to Councilman Clawson's inquiry, Chief Milosevich stated that this is the first complaint that he is aware of, but noted that as the weather warms up, noise tends to travel farther.

Citizen Comment: Larson - I-405 Expansion, Traffic Problems

Ruthie Larson, 714 High Ave. S., Renton, 98057, invited the Mayor, Council and transportation staff to the Renton History Museum on July 19 and 20 to observe traffic when Houser Way S. is closed for the Renton River Days festival. She explained that this equates to what it will be like when the State expands I-405, resulting in the closure of Houser Way S., and the conversion of Mill Ave. S. to a two-lane one-way street. Expressing her concern regarding the effect the I-405 expansion will have on traffic in this area, she pointed out that Renton's increasing population will also cause more traffic congestion. Additionally, she pointed out that the future Landing project will also increase traffic as people will pass through this area to get to Logan Ave. S.

Mayor Keolker asked that traffic counts be conducted in this area during Renton River Days.

MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL RECESS FOR FIVE MINUTES. CARRIED. Time: 8:47 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:54 p.m.; roll was called; all Councilmembers present except Corman and Briere previously excused.

Transportation: I-405 Expansion, Traffic Problems

Councilman Persson also commented on the expansion of I-405, saying that the State's plan to restripe Mill Ave. S. will not work, and when Houser Way S. is closed, the street and the bridge need to be reengineered.

CONSENT AGENDA

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


Appointment: Airport Advisory Committee Mayor Keolker appointed Frank Marshall, 3521 SW 327th St., Federal Way, 98023, to the Airport Advisory Committee as Airport Leaseholders alternate representative (term to expire 5/7/2007). Refer to Community Services Committee.

City Clerk: 2006 Renton Population City Clerk reported the official population of the City of Renton as of 4/1/2006 to be 58,360 as calculated by the State of Washington Office of Financial Management. Information.

Vacation: Park Ave N, City of Renton, VAC-04-005 City Clerk reported that petitioner City of Renton has met all conditions of approval, as set by Council on 1/24/2005, for the vacation of portions of Park Ave. N. related to The Landing site development, and recommended approval of the required ordinance. Council concur. (See page 240 for ordinance.)
Appeal: Lake WA/May Creek Dredging Permit, Barbee Mill Company, SP-05-138

City Clerk reported appeal of Hearing Examiner's decision regarding the Lake Washington/May Creek dredging permit application; appeal filed on 6/8/2006 by Barbee Mill Company, represented by Michael Lloyd, Lloyd & Associates, Inc., 38210 SE 92nd St., Snoqualmie, 98056, accompanied by required fee. Refer to Planning and Development Committee.

Community Services: Disaster Relief Supply Building, Fire District #25 & American Red Cross

Community Services Department recommended approval of a joint agreement and memorandum of understanding with King County Fire Protection District #25 and the American Red Cross, serving King and Kitsap Counties, concerning the disaster relief supply building and its supplies. Refer to Public Safety Committee.

Development Services: Finseth Short Plat, ROW Dedication, Morris Ave S, SHP-05-027

Development Services Division recommended acceptance of a deed of dedication for additional right-of-way at Morris Ave. S. to fulfill a requirement of the Finseth Short Plat. Council concur.

Development Services: Pelton NE 20th St Short Plat, ROW Dedication, SHP-05-119

Development Services Division recommended acceptance of a deed of dedication for additional right-of-way at the corner of Edmonds Ave. NE and NE 20th St. to fulfill a requirement of the Pelton NE 20th St. Short Plat. Council concur.

Development Services: Annie's Place II Short Plat, ROW Dedication, Lyons Ave NE, SHP-05-167

Development Services Division recommended acceptance of a deed of dedication for additional right-of-way at the corner of Lyons Ave. NE and NE 2nd St. to fulfill a requirement of the Annie's Place II Short Plat. Council concur.

Finance: Bond Issuance, S Lake WA Infrastructure & SW 27th St/Strander Blvd Extension Projects

Finance and Information Services Department requested approval of an ordinance authorizing the issuance of Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds in the amount of $20,665,000 for constructing transportation and utility infrastructure improvements for the South Lake Washington and the SW 27th St. and Strander Blvd. projects. Council concur.

MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY PERSSSON, COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Utilities Committee

Utilities Committee Chair Clawson presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an interlocal agreement with Skyway Water and Sewer District to allow for the conveyance of a portion of the district's flow through the City's system. The Committee further recommended that the resolution regarding this matter be presented for reading and adoption. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY LAW, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED. (See later this page for resolution.)

Finance Committee

Finance Committee Chair Persson presented a report recommending approval of Claim Vouchers 249943 - 250357 and two wire transfers totaling $3,310,151.65; and approval of Payroll Vouchers 64061 - 64424, one wire transfer, and 635 direct deposits totaling $2,101,203.45. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY LAW, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Resolution #3827

A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an interlocal agreement with the Skyway Water and Sewer District to provide, within the subject area, the option of the district connecting its sewer facilities to Renton's sewer facilities. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY LAW, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.
The following ordinances were presented for first reading and referred to the Council meeting of 7/17/2006 for second and final reading:

**Vacation: Park Ave N, City of Renton, VAC-04-005**

An ordinance was read vacating four portions of right-of-way, a total of approximately 21,795 square feet, along Park Ave. N. between N. 8th St. and Logan Ave. N. for the proposed “The Landing” site development street system (City of Renton; VAC-04-005). MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 7/17/2006. CARRIED.

**Finance: Bond Issuance, SW Lake WA Infrastructure & SW 27th St/Strander Blvd Extension Projects**

An ordinance was read relating to the incurrence of indebtedness; providing for the sale and issuance of Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds, 2006, to provide part of the costs of constructing transportation and utility infrastructure and improvements in the City; providing for the date, denominations, form, terms, registration privileges, maturities, interest rates and covenants of the bonds; providing for the annual levy of taxes to pay the principal thereof and the interest thereon; establishing a debt service fund for the bonds; and providing for the sale and delivery of such bonds to D.A. Davidson & Co., Seattle, Washington. MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 7/17/2006. CARRIED.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Planning: Sir Cedric Condominium Redevelopment, Highlands Area

Referring to a previous speaker's comments (Mr. Walker) regarding the Sir Cedric Condominium redevelopment, Councilman Clawson stated that these types of higher density residences are affordable to many people, and the City should keep this in mind when looking at rezoning the Highlands area.

**AUDIENCE COMMENT**

Citizen Comment: DeMastus - Fireworks Ban, Victim of Attack at Residence

Sandel DeMastus, Highlands Community Association (HCA) Vice President, PO Box 2041, Renton, 98056, commented that the HCA was one of the groups that supported the City's ban on fireworks, and noted that she heard very few fireworks this year. Additionally, Ms. DeMastus expressed her desire that more police officers be assigned to the Highlands area, saying that had there been more officers in the area, someone may have noticed her attacker entering her house.

Citizen Comment: Petersen - Various

Inez Petersen, PO Box 2041, Renton, 98056, indicated that she is the secretary of the Highlands Community Association (HCA) even though she does not live in the neighborhood. She explained that she has close ties to the neighborhood, and she works hard for the community. On another topic, Ms. Petersen suggested that citizens groups be allowed to make presentations at Committee of the Whole, or some other venue, where they are not restricted by the five-minute audience comment rule. Additionally, she suggested that the following requirements be considered the next time the City's travel policy is reviewed: justification for the trip and a trip report.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 9:09 p.m.

Bonnie I. Walton, CMC, City Clerk

Recorder: Michele Neumann

July 10, 2006