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

TERRI BRIERE, Council President; MARCIE PALMER; DON PERSSON; RANDY CORMAN; TONI NELSON; DAN CLAWSON; DENIS LAW.

KATHY KEOLKER-WHEELER, 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; DON ERICKSON, Senior Planner; MICHAEL BAILEY, Finance and Information Services Administrator; LINDA HERZOG, Interim Assistant to the CAO; CHIEF GARRY ANDERSON and COMMANDER CHARLES MARCISALISI, Police Department.

A proclamation by Mayor Keolker-Wheeler was read declaring the day of December 3, 2005, to be St. Anthony Day in the City of Renton and encouraging all citizens to join in this special observance, as St. Anthony Catholic Church, which is the first and only Catholic church in downtown Renton, will celebrate its 100th anniversary on December 3rd. MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE PROCLAMATION AS READ. CARRIED. Father Gary Zender accepted the proclamation with appreciation, pointing out that St. Anthony and the City of Renton have grown up together.

Finance and Information Services Administrator Michael Bailey announced that the City of Renton once again received the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for its annual budget for the fiscal year beginning 1/1/2005. He stated that the award is the result of a peer review program that GFOA conducts on both local government budgets and annual financial reports. Mr. Bailey credited the teamwork between the staff and the Council. Mayor Keolker-Wheeler added her thanks to the staff members who prepared the budget documents.

This being the date set and proper notices having been posted and published in accordance with local and State laws, Mayor Keolker-Wheeler opened the public hearing to consider the proposed expanded annexation and zoning of 65 acres located between 140th Ave. SE and Lyons Ave. NE, north of SE 136th St. (Mosier II).

Don Erickson, Senior Planner, stated that this is the second public hearing on the zoning of the expanded annexation proposal. He reviewed the history of the Mosier II Annexation, and the existing conditions of the site, including the structures, topography, sensitive areas, and public services. He reported that a number of Puget Colony Homes subdivision residents have indicated their eagerness to annex to Renton because of the drainage field problems and the opportunity for sewer hook-up.

Turning to the site's zoning, Mr. Erickson indicated that four dwelling units per gross acre, which can bonus up to six, is currently allowed by King County. Renton's Comprehensive Plan designations for the site are Residential Low
Density and Residential Single Family. Zoning of R-4 (four dwelling units per net acre) is proposed for the original 31-acre area, as well as for the nine acres located north of Maplewood Heights Elementary School. Zoning of R-8 (eight dwelling units per net acre) is proposed for the remaining area. Mr. Erickson pointed out that the original 31-acre area was grandfathered in at a maximum density of five dwelling units per net acre.

Mr. Erickson stated that the annexation proposal is in compliance with the objectives of the Boundary Review Board, and is generally consistent with City policies.

Correspondence was read from Norman W. and Cynthia A. Green, 14128 SE 132nd St., Renton, 98059, opposing the annexation and expressing concern regarding the following: the way the area was expanded beyond what was originally proposed by the petition; the inability of residents affected by the area's expansion to participate in the process other than providing public comment; the opposing views that are not taken into account; and the continual comparison between development in King County and Renton that is based on the installation of sewers.

Public comment was invited. There being none, it was MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. CARRIED.

MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY LAW, COUNCIL: ADOPT R-4 ZONING FOR THE ORIGINAL 31-ACRE ANNEXATION SITE AND THE 9.8 ACRES NORTH OF MAPLEWOOD HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, ADOPT R-8 ZONING FOR THE REMAINING PROPERTIES INCLUDING PUGET COLONY HOMES AND THE 13-LOT SUBDIVISION TO THE NORTH OF THE ORIGINAL 31-ACRE SITE, AND HOLD FIRST READING OF THE RELATED ORDINANCES. CARRIED. (See page 424 for ordinances.)

Budget: 2006 Annual City of Renton

This being the date set and proper notices having been posted and published in accordance with local and State laws, Mayor Keolker-Wheeler opened the public hearing to consider the City of Renton 2006 Budget.

Michael Bailey, Finance and Information Services Administrator, said this is the second and final public hearing on the proposed 2006 Budget that the Council has had under consideration for several weeks. He pointed out that the budget ordinance will be presented for first reading on December 5th.

Public comment was invited. There being none, it was MOVED BY LAW, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. 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 2005 and beyond. Items noted included:

- The Renton City Concert Band’s Holiday Concert will be held on December 8th at the IKEA Performing Arts Center and the Renton Youth Symphony Orchestra’s Holiday Concert will be held on December 11th at Carco Theatre.

- The Washington State Department of Transportation will host an open house related to the Renton I-405 Nickel Improvement Project on December
Mayor Keolker-Wheeler pointed out that on December 3rd, commissioned art at the City Center Parking Garage will be dedicated at 5:00 p.m., followed by the annual tree lighting celebration at the Piazza.

Arland "Buzz" Johnson, 334 Wells Ave. S., #306, Renton, 98055, expressed his appreciation for all those who assisted with the Thanksgiving Day dinner that was served at the Senior Center.

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

Development Services Division recommended the reclassification of a stream located in the vicinity of Jones Ave. NE and NE 20th St. from Class 4 to Class 5. Refer to Planning and Development Committee.

Utility Systems Division recommended approval of an amendment to CAG-04-103, King County Waste Reduction and Recycling Grant interlocal agreement, which provides $104,296 in funding to implement Special Recycling Events, a Business Recycling Program, the Natural Yard Care Program, and costs associated with the Reuse It! Renton event. Council concur. (See page 424 for resolution.)

MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

Finance Committee Chair Persson presented a report regarding the Issaquah School District mitigation fee. The Committee recommended that a public hearing be held on 12/12/2005 to consider adoption of a $5,115 impact fee for new single-family homes within the Issaquah School District in the City of Renton. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Finance Committee Chair Persson presented a report recommending approval of Claim Vouchers 243018 - 243439 and two wire transfers totaling $2,962,435.44; and approval of Payroll Vouchers 60885 - 61085, one wire transfer, and 599 direct deposits totaling $1,897,829.78. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Finance Committee Chair Persson presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve a five-year lease with the Renton Housing Authority for the house on the City-owned Edlund property located at 17611 103rd Ave. SE at a lease rate of $1.00 per year. The Committee recommended that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the lease.*

Councilman Persson stated that the Renton Housing Authority will pay to improve and maintain the house, and a family of ten will live there.

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

Community Services Committee Chair Nelson presented a report...
EDNSP: Neighborhood Program Standards

Committee

recommendating concurrence in the staff recommendation to establish standards for eligibility of being an Officially Recognized Neighborhood under the Neighborhood Program. These standards are:

A. The association should be dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for residents and benefit all citizens within the Renton Community.

B. Annually (by March 31st of each year), community/neighborhood associations are required to complete a neighborhood recognition application, submit a copy of their association by-laws, and demonstrate compliance.

C. Associations must define their boundaries and submit a map outlining them to the Neighborhood Program Coordinator. These boundaries may not conflict with other recognized neighborhoods and any disputes must be reconciled prior to recognition.

D. All board members of an association must reside within the defined geographic boundaries of their community/neighborhood association.

The Committee recommended that staff implement the standards for being an Officially Recognized Neighborhood by:


B. Notifying the neighborhood associations of the above standards within 60 days of the deadline.

C. Conducting a workshop, facilitated by staff, to assist in developing boards and by-laws for those organizations attempting to become officially recognized.

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

EDNSP: 2005 Neighborhood Grant Program

Community Services Committee Chair Nelson presented a report regarding the 2005 neighborhood grant projects. The Committee recommended concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve the following grant awards:

1. Earlington Neighborhood Association - Install a kiosk with landscaping in Earlington Park located at 272 Thomas Ave. SW ($2,360).

2. Emerald Gardens Homeowners Association - Continue improvements of detention pond with a neighborhood identity sign and landscaping. The project is located at Dayton Ave. NE and NE 20th St. ($3,971).

3. Maplewood Gardens Neighborhood Association - Continue improvements by landscaping and adding a fence to protect the park from encroachment of blackberries. The project location is SE 11th St. on City right-of-way property ($2,700).

4. Summerwind Homeowners Association - Plant dwarf laurels and remove diseased photina bushes ($136).

5. Winsper Homeowners Association - Continue with phase II of landscaping main entrance by replacing grass with evergreen and deciduous trees and groundcover ($8,000).

The Committee further recommended approval of funding the following administrative newsletter application: Summerwind Homeowners Association - Annual printing expenses for a printed and mailed quarterly newsletter ($279).
The total of the second round of applications is $17,446, leaving a remaining budget of $681. MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Councilwoman Nelson announced that in February 2006, Neighborhood Coordinator Norma McQuiller will present a full report on the neighborhood grant projects.

Appointment: Planning Commission

Community Services Committee Chair Nelson presented a report recommending concurrence in the Mayor's appointment of Joshua Shearer to the Planning Commission for a three-year term that expires 1/31/2008, replacing Gerri Jackson.

In view of the City's standing procedure governing appointments to boards and commissions, the Administration withdrew its recommendation for reappointment of a current Planning Commission member. MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Councilwoman Nelson noted that Mr. Shearer is highly qualified to serve as a planning commissioner, and will be an asset to the commission.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Resolution #3782
CAG: 04-103, 2004-2005 Waste Reduction & Recycling Grant Agreement, King County

A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute Amendment #1 to the King County Waste Reduction and Recycling Grant interlocal agreement, which provides for $104,296 in funding to implement Special Recycling Events, a Business Recycling Program, and the Natural Yard Care Program. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

The following ordinances were presented for first reading and referred to the Council meeting of 12/5/2005 for second and final reading:

Utility: System Development Charges, Annexation Fee

An ordinance was read amending Sections 4-1-170 and 4-1-180 of Chapter 1, Public Works Fees, of Title IV (Development Regulations) of City Code by changing the fee schedules. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/5/2005. CARRIED.

Development Services: Deferral of Street Improvements

An ordinance was read amending Section 4-9-060 of Chapter 9, Permits - Specific, of Title IV (Development Regulations) of City Code by allowing application for a fee in lieu of street improvements. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/5/2005. CARRIED.

Annexation: Mosier II, 140th Ave SE & SE 136th St

An ordinance was read annexing approximately 65 acres of property located between 140th Ave. SE and Lyons Ave. NE, north of SE 136th St. (Mosier II Annexation). MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY LAW, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/5/2005. CARRIED.

Annexation: Mosier II, R-4 Zoning

An ordinance was read establishing the zoning classification for approximately 34.7 acres annexed within the City of Renton from R-4 (Urban Residential - four dwelling units per acre; King County zoning) to R-4 (four dwelling units per acre) zoning; Mosier II Annexation. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED
Annexation: Mosier II, R-8

An ordinance was read establishing the zoning classification for approximately 20.5 acres annexed within the City of Renton from R-4 (Urban Residential - four dwelling units per acre; King County zoning) to R-8 (eight dwelling units per acre) zoning; Mosier II Annexation. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY LAW, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/5/2005. CARRIED.

The following ordinance was presented for second and final reading and adoption:

Ordinance #5167
Budget: 2006 Property Tax Levy

An ordinance was read establishing the property tax levy for the year 2006 for both general purposes and for voter approved bond issues. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

AUDIENCE COMMENT
Citizen Comment: Cook - Mosier II Annexation, 140th Ave SE & SE 136th St

In response to a rezoning question pertaining to the Mosier II Annexation by Frank J. Cook, 14012 SE 133rd St., Renton, 98059, Economic Development Administrator Alex Pietsch explained that when an area is annexed to the City, the area is rezoned to comply with the City's Comprehensive Plan land use designation and zoning classification.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 7:40 p.m.

Bonnie I. Walton, CMC, City Clerk

November 28, 2005

Recorder: Michele Neumann