

MINUTES  
PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING  
**February 6, 2007**

930 Tacoma Avenue South, Room 1045  
Tacoma, WA 98402

**(Note: These minutes are not verbatim. Recorded tapes are available upon request.)**

I. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Pierce County Council was called to order at 3:05 p.m. by Chair Lee.

II. Roll Call

Councilmembers Present: Shawn Bunney, Roger Bush, Timothy M. Farrell, Barbara Gelman, Calvin Goings, Terry Lee, and Dick Muri.

Council Staff Present: Brad Chatfield, Communications Legislative Analyst; Anna Graham, Senior Legislative Analyst; Denise Johnson, Clerk of the Council; Susan Long, Administrator for Legal and Clerks; Leslie Swalley, Councilmember Assistant; and Tom Weber, Administrator for Research and Policy.

There were nine visitors present.

III. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

The pledge was led by Lee, followed by a Moment of Silence in tribute to our men and women in the Military.

IV. Approval of Agenda

Goings moved approval of the agenda; motion seconded and passed on a voice vote.

V. Consent Agenda

***No final action on any Ordinance or Resolution was taken under this Section.***

**a. Approval of Minutes**

1. The minutes of the January 23, 2007, regular Council meeting

**b. Action on Ordinances (refer, set date of hearing)**

1. Proposal No. 2007-1, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Amending Chapter 8.08 of the Pierce County Code to Add a New Section 8.08.075, Special Assessment and Lien for Recovery of Costs; Providing for a Special

Assessment and Lien for the Recovery of Pierce County's Nuisance Abatement Costs, Pursuant to Revised Code of Washington 36.32.120(10).

Sponsored by: Councilmember Terry Lee

Department contact person: Mark von Wahlde, Prosecuting Attorney,  
(253) 798-6384

Council contact person: Susan Long, (253) 798-6068

Committee recommendation: Do Pass at Rules and Operations  
on January 22, 2007

Suggested date of Council hearing: March 6, 2007

2. Proposal No. 2007-12, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Amending Ordinance No. 2006-114s; and Modifying the County 2007 Budget.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Terry Lee

Department contact person: Mary Schmidtke, Budget and Finance,  
(253) 798-7512

Council contact person: Paul Bocchi, (253) 798-7304

For referral to the Rules and Operations Committee

To be heard in the Rules and Operations Committee on February 12, 2007

**c. Action on Resolutions (refer, set date of hearing)**

1. Proposal No. R2007-4s, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Approving Additional Regular Staff Positions in the 2007 Budget.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Shawn Bunney

Department contact person: Patrick Kenney, Budget and Finance, (253)  
798-7450

Council contact person: Paul Bocchi, (253) 798-7304

Committee recommendation: Do Pass as Substituted at Rules and  
Operations on January 22, 2007

Suggested date of Council hearing: February 13, 2007

2. Proposal No. R2007-16, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Initiating Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan for Pierce County for the 2007 Plan Amendment Cycle; Confirming the Initiation of Amendments by the County Executive, Cities and Towns; and Requesting the Planning and Land Services Department to Conduct an Environmental Review and Evaluation of the Initiated Amendments and Forward the Associated Reports to the Planning Commission and Affected Land Use Advisory Commissions for Review and Recommendation Back to the County Council.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Calvin Goings

Council contact person: Anna Graham, (253) 798-6253

For referral to the Community Development Committee

**d. Other Items**

Goings moved approval of the Consent Agenda; motion seconded and passed on a roll call vote of seven to zero.

- VI. Messages from Executive/Judges/Prosecuting Attorney - None
- VII. Proclamations, Awards, and/or Appointments to Boards and Commissions

**Proposal No. R2007-17, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council and County Executive Proclaiming Their Appreciation to the Greater Tacoma Peace Prize Committee for Promoting Peace and Understanding in the Tacoma-Pierce County Community and Beyond.**

Goings moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title into the record. Lee read the Proclamation in its entirety into the record.

Farrell explained how the Greater Tacoma Peace Prize evolved, and spoke to the past recipients of the award.

Goings complimented Pacific Lutheran University staff members for participating on the committee.

Janet Rudd, Co-Chair of the Greater Tacoma Peace Prize Committee, spoke to this year's nomination letter and nomination form, and she encouraged Councilmembers to nominate individuals or groups. Rudd introduced the committee members in attendance.

Andreas Udbye, Co-Chair of the Greater Tacoma Peace Prize Committee, answered questions of Councilmember Gelman regarding the orientation of the Nobel Peace prize.

Muri acknowledged the country of Sweden for having a mutual and strong military. Muri announced today would be Ronald Regan's 96th birthday, and recognized Regan as being one of the greatest peace makers.

The Chair called for public testimony; there was no response. The Proposal was adopted on a roll call vote of seven to zero.

The Proclamation was accepted by Rudd and Udbye.

**Proposal No. R2007-18, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council and County Executive Proclaiming Saturday, February 10, 2007, as the Start of the Lunar New Year in Pierce County, Washington, and Inviting all Citizens to the 9th Annual Asia Pacific Cultural Center's New Year Celebration.**

Goings moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title into the record. Lee read the Proclamation in its entirety into the record.

Farrell briefed the Council on the past Lunar New Year celebrations he attended, and urged the Council and the community to attend this special event.

Muri also invited all to attend the annual celebration.

### Public Testimony

Patsy Suhr O'Connell, Acting Executive Director of the Asia Pacific Cultural Center, thanked the Council for the Proclamation.

Philip Chang, Secretary and Co-Chair, briefed the Council on the annual New Year's event, and urged the Council to attend the celebration.

The Chair called for public testimony; there was no response. The Proposal was adopted on a roll call vote of seven to zero.

The Proclamation was accepted by O'Connell and Chang.

### **Proposal No. R2007-14, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Confirming the Reappointment of One Member to the Parkland-Spanaway-Midland Advisory Commission. (David Artis)**

Goings moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title into the record.

Lee thanked the appointee for his willingness to serve. Lee explained the role of advisory committees and commissions.

The Chair called for public testimony; there was no response. The Proposal was adopted on a roll call vote of seven to zero.

### VIII. Ordinances

### **Proposal No. 2007-6, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Amending the Pierce County Code, Chapter 18.25, "Definitions," Title 18A, "Pierce County Development Regulations - Zoning," Title 18B, "Pierce County Development Regulations – Signs," Title 18F, "Pierce County Development Regulations - Land Divisions and Boundary Changes" and Title 18J, "Development Regulations - Design Standards and Guidelines"; Addressing the Prohibition of Electronic Signs in the South Hill and Mid-County Sign Standards, the Relocation of Billboards Associated with Public Right-of-Way Acquisition, Increasing the Size of Religious Assembly Facilities in the Reserve 5 Zone in the Gig Harbor Peninsula Standards, and Other Clarifying and Technical Amendments Affecting Various Use Types, Design Standards, and Definitions; Adopting Findings of Fact; and Setting an Effective Date.**

Goings moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title into the record.

### Staff Testimony

Graham explained the Proposal is a repeat of an ordinance passed by Council last December, which amended several sections of the Development Regulations and Design Standards. Graham spoke to the Executive's veto of that Ordinance, and explained Proposal No. R2007-14 is basically the same as the vetoed ordinance with the vetoed portion being removed in three places. Graham informed the Council she discovered two other places in today's Proposal that the vetoed portions need to be removed, and suggested the following oral amendment: on page 12 of Exhibit B, remove the page in its entirety; and on page 54 of Exhibit B, lines 2-3, remove Section 18A.33.295 in its entirety. A copy of the amendment is identified as Attachment I to these minutes.

Goings moved the amendment suggested by Graham; motion seconded.

The Chair called for public testimony on the amendment; there was no response. The Chair called for Councilmember comments on the amendment; there was no response.

The motion carried.

The Chair called for public testimony on the Proposal as amended; there was no response.

Bush explained why he will be voting in support of the Proposal, and expressed his concern that an additional land site for a skill center has not been located. He spoke to his understanding that the land swap is off the table now, and spoke to the urgency of finding a location to have the center in the community.

Muri spoke to the importance of finding a location for the skill center in the Federickson area.

The Proposal passed as amended on a roll call vote of seven to zero.

### IX. Resolutions

**Proposal No. R2007-7, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Approving, as Creating Municipality, Resolution No. 2006-07 of the Economic Development Corporation of Pierce County, Adopted December 7, 2006, Authorizing the Issuance of \$6,200,000 of Nonrecourse Revenue Bonds by the Economic Development Corporation of Pierce County for Purposes of Financing a Portion of the Costs of a Manufacturing Facility for TPLM, LLC.**

Goings moved the Proposal for consideration; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title into the record.

Staff Testimony

Long explained to the Council that Susan Suess, Economic Development Corporation of Pierce County, requested the Proposal be continued to the February 13 Council meeting to allow time for their noticing requirements.

Goings moved to continue Proposal No. R2007-7 to the February 13, 2007, 3 p.m. Council meeting; motion seconded and passed.

X. Other Business/Announcements - None

XI. Citizens' Forum

1. Bud Rehburg invited the Council to attend the February 13, 2007, 7 p.m. Graham Advisory Commission meeting at the Graham Library. Staff from the County's Water Program Division will be in attendance to discuss water issues.

XII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Attest:

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Denise D. Johnson, Clerk of the Council

Approved:

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Terry Lee, Council Chair

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Date Approved

**ATTACHMENT I**

**COUNCIL AMENDMENT(S) SHEET  
 February 6, 2007 Council Meeting  
 Proposal No. 2007-6**

The following oral amendment *passed*:

1. On page 12 of 71 of Exhibit B, delete the entire page.

**~~18A.22.010 — Urban Zone Classifications.~~**

Use Categories And Use Types	FREDERICKSON						
	Urban Zone Classifications -- (18A.22.010)						
	Urban Districts			Urban Employment Centers			
	MUD: Mixed-Use District	ROC: Residential/ Office-Civic	{Reserved}	EC: Employment Center	CE: Community Employment	ES: Employment Service	{Reserved}
MUD	ROC		EC	CE	ES		
<b>CIVIC USE CATEGORY</b>							
<b>Administrative Government Sves.</b>	P	P		P (2)	P	P	
<b>OFFICE/BUSINESS USE CATEGORY</b>							
<b>Administrative and Professional Offices</b>	P	P1;C2		P (2)	P	P	

OTHER URBAN ZONE CLASSIFICATIONS	NOTES
EBPC — Employment Based Planned Community, see 18A.33.100 E.	P — Permitted.
MPC — Master Planned Community, see 18A.33.100 E.	C — Requires Conditional Use Permit.
AIR — Airport Overlay, see 18A.33.160 C, and 18A.33.180	A — Requires administrative review.
MRO — Mineral Resource Overlay, see 18A.33.160 D.	Number — Refers to level of Use Type allowed, see Sections 18A.33.200 to 18A.33.280. When no number is present, all levels of the Use Type are allowed.
	PFP — If provided by a governmental entity to serve a specific public need as identified in the adopted facility plan, a Public Facilities Permit is required. Otherwise, the use is allowed according to the applicable symbol.
	PL — Priority Location Criteria, see Section 18A.35.140 D.
	(1) — Pursuant to 18A.33.285.
	(2) — Public school district administrative offices are not permitted, see Section 18A.33.295.

2. On page 54 of 71 of Exhibit B, lines 2-3, delete Section 18A.33.295 in its entirety.

**~~18A.33.295 Public School District Facilities — Employment Center.~~  
 Public school district administrative offices shall not be permitted.**