

**MINUTES  
PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING  
MARCH 7, 2000**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Pierce County Council was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Vice Chair Brown.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

The pledge was led by Brown.

**III. ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers Present: Wendell Brown, Ken Madsen, Harold Moss, Pat O'Malley, and Jan Shabro. Sarah Casada was excused; Karen S. Biskey arrived after the roll call.

Council Staff Present: Anna Graham, Research Analyst; Susan Long, Legal Counsel; Gerri Rainwater, Administrator/Clerks & Operations; and Tom Weber, Administrator/Research & Policy.

There were approximately four visitors present.

**IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Shabro moved approval of the Agenda; motion seconded and passed.

**V. CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Approval of Minutes
  1. The minutes of the January 25, 2000, regular Council meeting.
- b. Action on Ordinances (refer, set date of hearing)
  1. PROPOSAL NO. 2000-9, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AMENDING SECTION 17A.50.170 OF THE PIERCE COUNTY CODE, -CONSTRUCTION AND INFRASTRUCTURE REGULATIONS -- SITE DEVELOPMENT AND STORMWATER DRAINAGE, FLOODWAYS; MAKING TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS. Sponsored by: Councilmember Harold Moss  
Contact person: Mitchell Brells, 798-3755  
For referral to the Public Works Committee
  2. PROPOSAL NO. 2000-10, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE

COUNTY COUNCIL VACATING A PORTION OF "B" STREET EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY, IN THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 19 NORTH, RANGE 3 EAST OF THE WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN, IN THE SPANAWAY AREA.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Harold Moss

Contact person: Jennifer Andres, 798-7250

For referral to the Public Works Committee

- c. Action on Resolutions (refer, set date of hearing)
- d. Other Items

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

**VI. MESSAGES FROM EXECUTIVE/JUDGES/PROSECUTING ATTORNEY - None**

**VII. PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS, AND/OR APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

**PROPOSAL NO. R2000-24, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AND EXECUTIVE PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF MARCH 2000 AS RED CROSS MONTH IN PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON.**

Shabro moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the Proclamation into the record.

Carrie Cirreto, Executive Director of the Red Cross, and Hal Russell, Chair of the Board, accepted the Proclamation, and thanked the Council for their recognition.

The Proposal passed on a roll call vote of five to zero.

Councilmember Biskey entered the meeting.

**PROPOSAL NO. R2000-26, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF DAVID KING, COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 4, TO THE PIERCE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION.**

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

Moss stated he supports this reappointment of David King, who has represented District No. 4 in a steadfast and impartial manner.

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

#### VIII. ORDINANCES

**PROPOSAL NO. 99-133S, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL CHANGING THE NAME OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE FOR REVIEW OF SEWERAGE AND/OR WATER GENERAL PLANS TO "SEWERAGE AND/OR WATER GENERAL PLAN REVIEW COMMITTEE" AND AMENDING PIERCE COUNTY CODE SECTION 2.84.020 "COMPOSITION OF COMMITTEE" FOR CONSISTENCY WITH REVISED CODE OF WASHINGTON 36.94.050.**

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

#### Public Testimony

Louise Batchelor stated a concern that the Hidden Valley Landfill is sited over Pierce County's sole source aquifer, and stated she feels this situation should be reviewed by the Review Committee.

The Proposal passed as substituted on a roll call vote of six to zero.

#### IX. RESOLUTIONS

**PROPOSAL NO. R2000-12S, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL INITIATING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 18B OF THE PIERCE COUNTY CODE (DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS - SIGNS) TO MODIFY SIGN STANDARDS FOR SIGNS OR GRAPHICS DIRECTED AT HIGHWAY 302, AND THE KEY PENINSULA HIGHWAY, AND TO CLARIFY THE GEOGRAPHICAL AREA COVERED BY CHAPTER 18B.40; REQUESTING THE PLANNING AND LAND SERVICES**

**DEPARTMENT TO DEVELOP PROPOSED AMENDMENTS; REFERRING THESE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND GIG HARBOR PENINSULA ADVISORY COMMISSION; AND SETTING A DATE FOR THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION BACK TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL.**

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

Biskey stated passage of this Proposal would initiate amendments to resolve some of the Sign Code problems on the Peninsula to assist businesses in properly placing signage. These corrections need to be made as soon as possible.

Biskey moved adoption of Council Amendment No. 1 as set forth in Attachment I to these minutes; motion seconded and passed. In response to Shabro's question, Biskey stated this amendment would only affect the unincorporated areas of Pierce County.

Madsen stated he feels it is a difficult situation, but one that needs to be resolved. In response to Madsen's question, Biskey reiterated the action contained in this Resolution is just to initiate the question to the Planning and Land Services Department to develop proposed amendments to clarify the geographical areas covered.

The Chair called for public testimony; there was no response. The Proposal passed as amended on a roll call vote of six to zero.

**X. OTHER BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS - None**

**XI. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Louise Batchelor spoke on the issue of gun control, and stated there should be stiffer sentencing for those who violate current laws.

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**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned  
at 3:25 p.m.

Attest:

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Clerk of the Council

Approved:

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Council Chair

4/4/2000  
(Date Approved)

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