

MINUTES
PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
March 25, 2008

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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 Goings.

II. Roll Call

Councilmembers Present: Shawn Bunney, Roger Bush, Timothy M. Farrell, Barbara Gelman, Calvin Goings (Acting Chair), and Dick Muri. Terry Lee was excused.

Council Staff Present: Susan Long, Administrator for Legal and Operations; Denise Johnson, Clerk of the Council; Carolyn Pendle, Senior Legislative Analyst; Mike Kruger, Research Legislative and Hugh Taylor, Senior Legislative Analyst.

There were approximately 15 visitors present.

III. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

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

IV. Approval of Agenda

Muri 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

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

1. Proposal No. 2008-4, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Authorizing the Approval of an Application for Timber Land Classification Under Current Use Assessment on Certain Properties Located Within the

Unincorporated Boundaries of Pierce County; And Adopting Findings of Fact. (Application No. OST2-07, Charles W. Ivie and Bryan A. and Michelle M. Chapell – Roy Area).

Sponsored by: Councilmember Terry Lee
Department contact person: Chad R. Williams, Planning and Land Services,
(253) 798-3683
Council contact person: Jeff Cox, (253) 798-7579
Committee recommendation: Do Pass at Community Development on
March 10, 2008
Suggested date of Council hearing: April 22, 2008

2. Proposal No. 2008-5, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Authorizing the Approval of Applications for Open Space Classification under Current Use Assessment on Certain Properties Located within the Unincorporated Boundaries of Pierce County; and Adopting Findings of Fact. (Application No. OS3-07, James C. Wolcott - Mid-County Area; Application No. OS4-07, Kenneth D. Scheele - Gig Harbor Area; Application No. OS5-07, Robert B. and Joann E. Brown - Gig Harbor Area)

Sponsored by: Councilmember Terry Lee
Department contact person: Chad R. Williams, Planning and Land Services, (253) 798-3683
Council contact person: Jeff Cox, (253) 798-7579
Committee recommendation: Do Pass at Community Development on March 10, 2008
Suggested date of Council hearing: April 22, 2008

3. Proposal No. 2008-22, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Amending Ordinance No. 2007-102s; and Modifying the County 2008 Budget.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Terry Lee
Department contact person: Aaron BeMiller, Budget and Finance, (253) 798-7512
Council contact person: Paul Bocchi, (253) 798-7304
For referral to the Rules and Operations Committee

4. Proposal No. 2008-23, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Authorizing the Approval of an Application for Timber Land Classification Under Current Use Assessment on Certain Properties Located Within the Unincorporated Boundaries of Pierce County; and Adopting Findings of Fact. (Application No. OST7-07, Mark and Darcy Paul - Nisqually Highlands Area)

Sponsored by: Councilmember Terry Lee
Department contact person: Chad R. Williams, Planning and Land Services, (253) 798-3683
Council contact person: Jeff Cox, (253) 798-7579
For referral to the Community Development Committee

Suggested date of Council hearing: April 22, 2008

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

1. Proposal No. R2008-23, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Initiating the Process for Considering Potential Amendments to the Pierce County Development Regulation Series (Titles 18, 18A, 18B, 18E, 18H, and 18J, Pierce County Code); Including Modifications to Setback Requirements, Significant Tree Retention Requirements, Native Vegetation Retention and Replacement Requirements, Grading Requirements within Community Plan Areas, Off-Premises Signs, and Other Modifications to the Pierce County Development Regulations; Requesting the Planning and Land Services Department Develop the Needed Amendments and Conduct the Necessary Environmental Review; Referring these Amendments to the Planning Commission and Affected Land Use Advisory Commissions; and Setting a Date for the Planning Commission to Submit Its Report and Recommendation to the Council.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Timothy M. Farrell

Council contact person: Hugh Taylor, (253) 798-3665

Committee recommendation: Do Pass at Community Development
on March 10, 2008

Suggested date of Council hearing: April 8, 2008

2. Proposal No. R2008-40, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Requesting that the Washington State Transportation Commission Name the New Tacoma Narrows Bridge in Honor of Former State Senator Bob Oke.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Terry Lee

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

For referral to the Rules and Operations Committee

To be heard in the Rules and Operations Committee on April 7, 2008

Suggested date of Council hearing: April 8, 2008

d. Other Items

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

VI. Messages from Executive/Judges/Prosecuting Attorney

VII. Proclamations, Awards, and/or Appointments to Boards and Commissions

Proposal No. R2008-36, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Confirming the Appointment of One New Member (Tom Smallwood) to the Community Services Citizens' Advisory Board.

Bunney moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title into the record.
Long explained Proposal No. R2008-36.

Goings thanked the appointee for his service to Community Service Citizens' Advisory Board.

The Chair called for public testimony; there was no response

The question was called; the Proposal was adopted on a roll call vote of 6-0.

Proposal No. R2008-37, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Confirming the Appointment of Five New Members (Debbie House, Steve Merrival, Margaret Johnston, Nancy Williams, and Debra Wilson) to the Chemical Dependency Advisory Board.

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

Long explained Proposal No. R2008-37.

The Chair called for public testimony; there was no response

The question was called; the Proposal was adopted on a roll call vote of 6-0.

Proposal No. R2008-39, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Appointing One New Member (Ken Witkoe) to the Pierce County Criminal Justice Task Force.

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

Pendle explained Proposal No. R2008-39.

Public Testimony:

Ken Witkoe thanked the Council for the appointment

Muri spoke in support of the appointment.

The Chair called for public testimony; there was no response.

The question was called; the Proposal was adopted on a roll call vote of 6-0.

VIII. Ordinances

Proposal No. 2007-125s, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Acknowledging and Accepting the 2007 Pierce County Buildable Lands Report; and Adopting Findings of Fact.

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

Kruger explained the Proposal and provided background information on the Buildable Lands Report. Kruger reported the Proposal received a do pass as substituted recommendation by Community Development Committee on February 11, 2008. Kruger explained why his recommendation that the Proposal be continued for two weeks.

Public Testimony:

Tiffany Speir, Master Builders Association; and Bud Rehberg (written comment in file) spoke regarding Proposal No. 2007-125s.

In response to Bunney's question, Kruger spoke to the timing of the Proposal.

Bunney moved that Proposal No. 2007-125s be continued to a date certain of April 15, 2008 at 3:00 p.m.; motion seconded and passed on a voice vote.

In response to Farrell's question, Kruger spoke to the City of Tacoma's map.

IX. Resolutions

Proposal No. R2008-13, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Authorizing the Pierce County Executive to Execute an Interlocal Agreement with the State of Washington, Office of the Secretary of State, Archives and Records Management Division for Document Preparation and Imaging Services.

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

Cox explained Proposal No. R2008-13.

The Chair called for public testimony; there was no response.

The question was called; the Proposal was adopted on a roll call vote of 6-0.

Proposal No. R2008-27, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Amending Resolution No. R2007-139 by Appointing Additional Membership and Making Technical Changes to the Housing Affordability Task Force.

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

Kruger explained Proposal No. R2008-27.

Bunney moved Council Amendment No. 1, lavender; motion seconded. Kruger explained Amendment No. 1.

The Chair called for public testimony on Amendment No. 1; there was no response.

The question was called; Amendment No. 1 passed on a voice vote.

Public Testimony:

Bud Rehberg testified on the Proposal as amended.

The question was called; Proposal No. R2008-27 was adopted as amended on a roll call vote of 6-0.

X. Other Business/Announcements - none

XI. Citizens' Forum

The following individuals addressed the Council: Stacy Emerson; Wilma Crane, Tacoma Yellow Cab; Cindy Beckett; Denis Gregory, Ft. Lewis Taxi; Bruce Minker, Pierce County Corrections; and Dean Webber, Country Aire Manor Mobile Homeowners Association.

In response to public comment Goings requested that staff provide a memorandum to Councilmembers regarding the mobile home park issue and on the status of the taxi cab issue.

XII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:32 p.m.

Attest:

Denise D. Johnson, Clerk of the Council

Approved:

Calvin Goings, Chair

Date Approved



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Council Amendment No. 1
Proposed Resolution No. R2008-27
lavender

March 19, 2008

To: County Council

From: Council Staff

Hearing Date: March 25, 2008

Attachments: None

Subject: Technical Amendment to Proposed Resolution No. R2008-27s

We recommend the following technical amendments to Proposed Resolution No. R2008-27s:

1. On page 1 of the Resolution, lines 42 through 46, remove Section 1. and Section 2. on that page and replace with a new Section 1. as follows:

Section 1. The County Council hereby amends Resolution No. R2007-139 to modify the membership of the Housing Affordability Task Force, to include Marian Berejikian and Charlie Gray and to make technical changes. The membership is amended to appear as follows:

2. On page 2 of the Resolution, line 28, following the membership list, insert a new Section 2. as follows:

Section 2. The Clerk of the Council shall provide a copy of the approved Resolution to the two new members.