

MINUTES
PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 5, 2007

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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 Chair Lee.

II. Roll Call

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

Council Staff Present: Paul Bocchi, Budget Legislative Analyst; Anna Graham, Senior Legislative Analyst; Denise Johnson, Clerk of the Council; and Susan Long, Administrator for Legal and Clerks.

There were 10 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

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

1. Proposal No. 2007-45, 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. OS20-06, Tacoma Builders Collective, LLC – Roy Area; Application No. OS21-06, Ryan Banks – South Prairie Area; Application No. OS22-06, L/M Investments, LLC – South Prairie Area; Application No. OS 23-06, Matt and Lucie Arrell – South Prairie Area; Application No. OS25-06, Todd S. and Joni L. Larson – Tanwax Lake Area; Application No. OS27-06, Robert E. Dimond – Mid-County Area; and Application No. OS28-06, Barry Locke and Leah Walter – Roy Area)

Sponsored by: Councilmember Calvin Goings

Department contact person: Chad 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: July 3, 2007

2. Proposal No. 2007-46, 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. OST26-06, Arundel Research Corporation – Nisqually River Forest Reserve Area)

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3. Proposal No. 2007-47, 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. OS30-06, Cary Thormodsgard – Tule Lake Area; Application No. OS31-06, Robert Riddell – Orting Area; Application No. OS34-06, Wade E. and Lauren A. Hader – Tanwax Lake Area)

Sponsored by: Councilmember Calvin Goings

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For referral to the Community Development Committee

Suggested date of Council hearing: July 3, 2007

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

1. Proposal No. R2007-69, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Accepting an Update on the Scope, Schedule, and Budget for an Environmental Education Center to be Located at Pierce County's Chambers Creek Properties; and Authorizing the Expenditure of an Additional \$74,900 from the Solid Waste Management Fund for Community Engagement Purposes.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Terry Lee

Department contact person: Steve Wamback, Public Works and Utilities,
(253) 798-4656

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 June 11, 2007

Suggested date of Council hearing: June 12, 2007

d. Other Items

Goings 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 - None

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

Proposal No. R2007-70, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Confirming the Appointment of Six New Members to the Mental Health Advisory Board. (Haley Gross, Caroline Wise, Joel Camacho, Chris Dardis, Kathleen Carter, and Sharon Knezvich)

Goings moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title into the record. No Staff report was provided.

Public Testimony

Joe Camacho expressed his thanks to the Council for his appointment to serve on the Board.

Lee thanked Camacho for his willingness to serve on the Mental Health Advisory Board.

The Proposal was adopted on a roll call vote of six to zero.

VIII. Ordinances

Proposal No. 2007-27, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Canceling Certain Uncollectible Personal Property Taxes.

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

Staff Testimony

Bocchi explained the write-off of uncollectible personal property tax proposal is a state law requirement, and informed the Council that \$419,767.86 is the grand total of uncollectible personal property taxes for 1997 to 2006. Bocchi reported the proposal received a do pass recommendation from the Rules and Operations Committee on April 23, 2007

Bocchi responded to Muri's question regarding the Burger King items listed on page 4 of 2 of Exhibit A.

Lee called for public testimony; there was no response, and he called for Councilmember comments; there was no response.

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

Proposal No. 2007-30, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Declaring Certain County-Owned Real Property as Surplus, Located at 113 170th Street South, Spanaway (Commonly Referred to as Independence Inn); and Authorizing Transfer to Greater Lakes Mental Health Foundation dba Greater Lakes Mental Health Care, all Pursuant to Chapter 43.99C Revised Code of Washington and Pierce County Code 2.110.

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

Staff Testimony

Bocchi provided background information on the surplus property, and explained the Revised Code of Washington law allows the transfer. The Proposal received a do pass recommendation from the Rules and Operations Committee on April 23, 2007.

Public Testimony

Gary Eden, Community Services, spoke in support of the proposal.

Allan Arrow, Greater Lakes Mental Health Center, spoke in support of the proposal.

Bush provide comments in support of the Proposal, and expressed his compliments to the employees of the Greater Lake Center.

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

IX. Resolutions

Proposal No. R2007-66, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Setting the Date of an Evening Council Meeting in Council District No. 5 for Tuesday, June 26, 2007, at 5:30 p.m., at Collins Elementary School, in the Multi-purpose Room, 4608 128th Street East, Tacoma, Washington.

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

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

Goings spoke to the school's 100th celebration that he and Gelman recently attended, and stated he is looking forward to joining Gelman at the school for the Council meeting.

The Proposal was adopted on a roll call vote of six to zero.

X. Other Business/Announcements - None

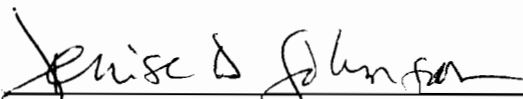
XI. Citizens' Forum

1. Bud Rehberg spoke to RCW 42.30.01, Legislative Declaration.

XII. Adjournment


There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Attest:



Denise D. Johnson, Clerk of the Council

Approved:



Terry Lee, Council Chair

07-10-2007

Date Approved