

**MINUTES
PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 1, 2000**

930 TACOMA AVENUE SOUTH, ROOM 1045
TACOMA, WASHINGTON 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 3:00 p.m. by Chair Casada.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The pledge was led by Casada.

III. ROLL CALL

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

Council Staff Present: Shawn Bunney, Research Analyst; Gerri Rainwater, Administrator/Clerks & Operations; and Tom Weber, Administrator/Research & Policy.

There were approximately 11 visitors present.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

V. CONSENT AGENDA

a. Approval of Minutes

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

1. PROPOSAL NO. 2000-49S, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AMENDING PIERCE COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 4.34 (VEHICLE LICENSE FEE) BY CREATING SECTION 4.34.050, AN EXEMPTION FROM THE \$15.00 VEHICLE LICENSE FEE FOR PERSONS WHO HAVE A PHYSICAL DISABILITY OR WHO ARE SIXTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE AND ARE LOW INCOME, PURSUANT TO REVISED CODE OF WASHINGTON 82.80.020(5) AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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Contact person: Thomas Weber, 798-6067

DO PASS AS SUBSTITUTED RECOMMENDATION - BUDGET AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE (Jan Shabro, Chair; Karen S. Biskey, Vice Chair; Wendell Brown/excused; Sarah Casada; Ken Madsen)

Suggested date of Council hearing: August 15, 2000

2. PROPOSAL NO. 2000-61, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING A \$650,000.00 LOAN FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE PATHS AND TRAILS FUND; AND INCREASING THE 2000 BUDGET FOR THE PATHS AND TRAILS FUND BY \$650,000.00 FOR THE PURCHASE OF AN ADDITIONAL SECTION OF THE TRAIL. (McMILLIN TO PUYALLUP)

Sponsored by: Councilmember Sarah Casada

Contact person: Patrick Kenney, 798-7450

For referral to the Rules Committee

3. PROPOSAL NO. 2000-62, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE AND SALE OF REAL PROPERTY BETWEEN BURLINGTON NORTHERN AND SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY, THE SELLER, AND PIERCE COUNTY, THE PURCHASER.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Sarah Casada

Contact person: Lloyd Fetterly, 798-6732

For referral to the Rules Committee

4. PROPOSAL NO. 2000-63, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL DECLARING THE INTENTION OF PIERCE COUNTY TO EMBRACE THAT CERTAIN RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY CORRIDOR LOCATED BETWEEN PUYALLUP AND McMILLIN, WASHINGTON (BURLINGTON NORTHERN AND SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY) FOR THE PURPOSE OF A PUBLIC HIGHWAY FOR A NON-MOTORIZED PATH AND TRAIL.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Sarah Casada

Contact person: Lloyd Fetterly, 798-6732

For referral to the Rules Committee

5. PROPOSAL NO. 2000-64, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AMENDING SECTION 2.114.060 OF THE PIERCE COUNTY CODE, "CURRENT USE ASSESSMENT ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES" TO INCLUDE A MINIMUM SIZE REQUIREMENT FOR OPEN SPACE APPLICATIONS IN THE RURAL AREA.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Karen S. Biskey

Contact person: Anna Graham, 798-6253

For referral to the Planning Committee

6. PROPOSAL NO. 2000-65, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 99-93S2, WHICH AMENDS TITLE 19A OF THE PIERCE COUNTY CODE, THE PIERCE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; DELETING AREA-WIDE MAP AMENDMENT M-7 (72ND AND WALLER ROAD) AND TEXT AMENDMENTS T-2 (SEWER INTERCEPTORS OUTSIDE URBAN GROWTH AREAS) AND T-14 (RURAL AREAS OF MORE INTENSIVE DEVELOPMENT "RAID"); DELETING FINDINGS OF FACT NOS. 2, 13, AND 17; PURSUANT TO THE FINAL DECISION AND ORDER ISSUED BY THE CENTRAL PUGET SOUND GROWTH MANAGEMENT HEARINGS BOARD IN CITY OF TACOMA V. PIERCE COUNTY, CASE NO. 93-3-0023c.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Harold Moss

Contact person: Anna Graham, 798-6253

Suggested date of Council hearing: August 22, 2000

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

d. Other Items

1. Motion to grant authority to the Prosecuting Attorney and Risk Manager in the amount requested by them in Executive Session on July 25, 2000, for settlement of a pending court case, Case No. 99-2-27469-5SEA.

Shabro 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. R2000-75, A PROCLAMATION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL DECLARING THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 30 THROUGH NOVEMBER 3, 2000, AS YOUTH VOTING AWARENESS WEEK IN PIERCE COUNTY; AND ENCOURAGING THE YOUTH OF THE COMMUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE "VOTING IS COOL" PROGRAM.

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

Public Testimony

Louise Batchelor suggested this program should be presented to high school students.

Staff Testimony

Cathy Pearsall-Stipek, Pierce County Auditor, provided an overview of the Voting is Cool program. Copies of the lesson plans and project are contained in the Clerk's meeting file.

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

PROPOSAL NO. R2000-90, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF ONE EXISTING MEMBER TO THE BOATING ADVISORY COMMISSION. (JOHN ENGEL)

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

Biskey stated this Commission was at one time inactive. However, in recent years it has been reactivated, and John Engle has been a good member of this Commission.

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. 2000-52, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF A CERTAIN POWER FRANCHISE OWNERSHIP FROM TENASKA WASHINGTON PARTNERS II TO BONNEVILLE POWER ADMINISTRATION TO FREDERICKSON POWER, L.L.C.

Staff Testimony

Jennifer Andres, Public Works and Utilities Department, stated this Ordinance is being requested to transfer the franchise to the current owner. Shabro pointed out the

power will be manufactured by natural gas turbines. In response to O'Malley's question as to whether or not the Port of Tacoma had to sign off on this franchise, Andres stated the franchise only represents existing franchise areas on County-owned rights-of-way.

Public Testimony

Richard D'Amanto, affiliate to construction company of project associated with this franchise, stated 249 mega watts of power will be produced that will be used in the County and State. He stated 300 temporary jobs will be created during the construction phase, and 25 full-time jobs will be at the plant after completion. He stated the project is to be completed by 2002.

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

IX. RESOLUTIONS - None

X. OTHER BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

XI. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

John Pistilli spoke to the Council regarding his concern about crime in the County, and the Sheriff's Department poor response.

Michael Nelson stated his opposition to urban sprawl and encouraged Pierce County to require high-rise condos.

Louise Batchelor stated a concern over the costs of the Pacific Avenue block purchases, and stated she would like to view the inside of those buildings.

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XI. ADJOURNMENT

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

Attest:

Clerk of the Council

Approved:

Council Chair
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Date Approved