

**MINUTES
PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 5, 2003**

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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 Moss.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The pledge was led by Moss, followed by a moment of silence in tribute to our men and women in the Military.

III. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Paul Bocchi, Shawn Bunney, Calvin Goings, Terry Lee, Harold Moss, Kevin Wimsett. Barbara Gelman arrived after the roll call.

Council Staff Present: Denise Johnson, Clerk of the Council; Tom Weber, Administrator for Research & Policy; and Carolyn Pendle, Research Analyst.

There were approximately 32 visitors present.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Wimsett moved approval of the Agenda; motion seconded and passed on a voice vote.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

a. Approval of Minutes

1. The minutes of the July 8, 2003, Regular Council Meeting
2. The minutes of the July 15, 2003, Regular Council Meeting

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

1. PROPOSAL NO. 2003-80, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL CALLING FOR AN ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 4, 2003, FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO COUNTY VOTERS THE DETERMINATION OF WHETHER OR NOT TO IMPOSE A

COUNTY-WIDE LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX TO FUND AT LEAST 100 NEW CITY POLICE OFFICERS AND COUNTY SHERIFF DEPUTIES AND TO MAKE NEEDED IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM, PURSUANT TO SECOND ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL (SESSB) 5659, CHAPTER 24, LAWS OF WASHINGTON, 2003.

Sponsored by: Pierce County Council

Contact person: Carolyn Pendle, 798-3631

For referral to the Public Safety & Human Services Committee

To be heard by the Public Safety & Human Services Committee on August 12, 2003

Suggested date of Council hearing: September 2, 2003

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

1. PROPOSAL NO. R2003-101, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL APPOINTING _____ AS JUDGE, TO FILL A VACANCY IN PIERCE COUNTY DISTRICT COURT, POSITION NO. THREE.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Harold Moss

Contact person: Susan Long, 798-6068

Suggested date of Council hearing: September 9, 2002

2. PROPOSAL NO. R2002-106, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING, AS REQUIRED BY PIERCE COUNTY CODE 2.10.020, THE SALE OF THE SURPLUS COUNTY-OWNED REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1304 PACIFIC AVENUE IN TACOMA, WASHINGTON (COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS THE LUZON BUILDING AND PACIFIC BLOCK PROPERTIES).

Sponsored by: Councilmember Harold Moss

Contact person: Suzanne Hedlund, 798-6680

For referral to the Rules & Operations Committee

Suggested date of Council hearing: August 26, 2003

d. Other Items

Wimsett 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

1. A message from the Executive transmitting the following Ordinances, which was approved and signed on July 21, 2003, was read into the record:

ORDINANCE NO. 2003-42, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL VACATING A PORTION OF 27TH AVENUE NORTHWEST RIGHT-OF-WAY, LOCATED IN THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 21 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST OF THE WILLAMETTE

MERIDIAN, IN THE GIG HARBOR AREA; AND RESERVING THE RIGHT OF ACCESS FOR DRAINING STORM WATER, AND MAINTAINING THE STORM DRAINAGE SYSTEM.

ORDINANCE NO. 2003-49s, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL RESPONDING TO THE FINAL DECISION AND ORDER OF THE CENTRAL PUGET SOUND GROWTH MANAGEMENT HEARINGS BOARD REGARDING CASE NO. 02-3-0010; AMENDING CHAPTER 19B.40 OF THE PIERCE COUNTY CODE, PARKLAND-SPANAWAY-MIDLAND COMMUNITIES PLAN; AMENDING CHAPTER 18A.25, ZONE CLASSIFICATIONS AND USE TABLES, TO CREATE A HIGH DENSITY SINGLE-FAMILY ZONE AND MODIFY THE ZONING ATLAS; AMENDING CHAPTER 18A.35, DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS, TO ADDRESS SPECIFIED PORTIONS OF THE RESIDENTIAL RESOURCE AND SINGLE-FAMILY ZONE CLASSIFICATIONS; AND ADOPTING FINDINGS OF FACT.

VII. PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS, AND/OR APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS - None

VIII. ORDINANCES

PROPOSAL NO. 2003-65, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL ENACTING A NEW CHAPTER 2.109 OF THE PIERCE COUNTY CODE, "HISTORICALLY UNDER-UTILIZED BUSINESS (HUB) PROGRAM", A PROGRAM TO INCREASE PARTICIPATION IN COUNTY CONTRACTS FOR QUALIFIED BUSINESSES WHICH HAVE DIFFICULTY COMPETING FOR COUNTY GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.

Wimsett moved approval; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title into the record.

Staff Testimony

Skip Stansbury, County Executive's Office, stated the Proposal will benefit small businesses in the County, and assist in getting contracts. The Proposal will generate economic development in job creations for small businesses, and is aimed at lower-tier small businesses. He acknowledged Denise Dyer; Tony Clark; and Percy Jones, HUB Program Supervisor, City of Tacoma, in attendance. Pierce County's HUB program is modeled after the City of Tacoma's HUB program. In response to Gelman's question whether or not the Advisory Committee will be reporting to the Council, Stansbury said the Executive or his designee would do that on a frequent basis.

Gelman spoke in support, stating the County is taking an important economic step. She asked that statistical information be provided as the program progresses.

Moss and Stansbury discussed the issue of the Executive appointing, and the Council confirming appointments to Boards and Commissions. Moss asked that the procedure be followed for the Proposal. Stansbury stated since the Committee would not be established for several weeks, that it would be easily doable.

Lee stated the Council is committed to economic development in Pierce County, and the Council should be part of the HUB program process.

In response to Lee's question, Stansbury explained the three-year maximum limit to businesses for HUB designation. In response to Bunney's question, Stansbury explained the definition of a socially disadvantaged individual.

Bunney moved an oral amendment as follows: Exhibit "A", page 3 of 16, line 18-1/2, after the words "served without compensation and shall be" strike the word "selected" and insert the word "appointed", and after the word "Executive" insert the words "and confirmed by a majority of the County Council"; motion seconded.

Stansbury suggested the following as an additional change: make it a commission rather than a committee.

Bunney amended his motion as follows: in references to Advisory Committee and strike the word "Committee" and insert the word "Commission"; motion seconded. Bunney explained the reason for his amendment.

Goings stated the amendment makes the Proposal even better, and shows that all branches of County government care about the program.

Pendle pointed out that a part of Chapter 2 contains Boards and Commissions language that will have to be changed in the near future.

The Chair called for testimony on the amendment; there was no response. The amendment passed on a voice vote.

Wimsett moved Council Amendment No. 1 as printed on the yellow; motion seconded. A copy of this amendment is included with these minutes as Attachment I.

Staff Testimony

Weber explained that the amendment clarifies the intent, and stated the amendment was suggested by Roger Miener, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney.

The Chair called for testimony on the amendment; there was no response. The amendment passed on a voice vote.

Wimsett moved Council Amendment No. 2 as printed on the lilac; motion seconded. A copy of this amendment is included with these minutes as Attachment II.

Staff Testimony

Weber explained that the amendment makes technical changes, and stated Stansbury suggested the amendment.

The Chair called for testimony on the amendment; there was no response. The amendment passed on a voice vote.

The Chair called for testimony on the Proposal as amended.

Public Testimony

Percy Jones, City of Tacoma, provided information on Tacoma's HUB program, stating the program was started in 2001, and throughout the years the participation level has increased.

Tamera Vlasyak spoke in support of the Proposal, stating passage would allow businesses outside the City limits to qualify for the program. She urged the County to use local vendors for its government business.

John Bankston spoke in support of the Proposal, stating he believes the County HUB program will be successful like the City of Tacoma program.

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

IX. RESOLUTIONS - None

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X. OTHER BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

XI. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

XII. ADJOURNMENT

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

Attest:

Denise D. Johnson, Clerk of the Council

Approved:

Councilmember Harold Moss, Council Chair

Date Approved

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