

**MINUTES
PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 15, 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 Chair Casada.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The pledge was led by Casada.

III. ROLL CALL

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

Council Staff Present: Susan Long, Legal Counsel; Gerri Rainwater, Administrator/Clerks & Operations; Michael Transue, Special Budget Consultant; and Tom Weber, Administrator/Research & Policy.

There were approximately 70 visitors present.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Brown moved approval of the Agenda as amended; motion seconded and passed.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of Minutes
 - 1. The minutes of the July 11, 2000, regular Council meeting.
- b. Action on Ordinances (refer, set date of hearing)
 - 1. PROPOSAL NO. 2000-53, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL GRANTING A NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE TO PENINSULA LIGHT COMPANY, INC., OF PIERCE COUNTY, TO LOCATE ELECTRIC LINES ON CERTAIN COUNTY-OWNED RIGHT-OF-WAYS.
Sponsored by: Councilmember Harold Moss
Contact person: Jerry West, 798-3687
DO PASS RECOMMENDATION - PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
(Harold Moss, Chair; Ken Madsen, Vice Chair; Sarah Casada; Pat O'Malley; Jan Shabro/excused)

Suggested date of Council hearing: September 5, 2000

2. PROPOSAL NO. 2000-54, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL GRANTING A NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE TO WASHINGTON STATE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION TO LOCATE WATER LINES ON CERTAIN COUNTY-OWNED RIGHTS-OF-WAY; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE SAID FRANCHISE.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Harold Moss

Contact person: Jerry West, 798-3687

DO PASS RECOMMENDATION - PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
(Harold Moss, Chair; Ken Madsen, Vice Chair; Sarah Casada; Pat O'Malley; Jan Shabro/excused)

Suggested date of Council hearing: September 5, 2000

3. PROPOSAL NO. 2000-58, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 99-124S BY ADDING ADDITIONAL RIGHTS-OF-WAY TO THE RESTRICTED TELECOMMUNICATIONS FRANCHISE TO WILLIAMS COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Harold Moss

Contact person: Hudson Stansbury, 798-6643

DO PASS RECOMMENDATION - PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
(Harold Moss, Chair; Ken Madsen, Vice Chair; Sarah Casada; Pat O'Malley; Jan Shabro/excused)

Suggested date of Council hearing: September 5, 2000

4. PROPOSAL NO. 2000-69, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL PROHIBITING THE DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED PORTIONS OF SECTIONS 1 AND 12, TOWNSHIP 20 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST, IN AN AREA EAST OF THE CITY OF PACIFIC.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Sarah Casada

Contact person: Thomas Weber, 798-6067

For referral to the Public Works Committee

5. PROPOSAL NO. 2000-70, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL VACATING PORTIONS OF UNDEVELOPED RIGHTS-OF-WAY WITHIN PENROSE STATE PARK, LOCATED IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 20 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN, DELANO BEACH SUBDIVISION IN THE KEY PENINSULA AREA.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Harold Moss

Contact person: Jennifer Andres, 798-7250

For referral to the Public Works Committee

6. PROPOSAL NO. 2000-71, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 99-113, AS AMENDED; MODIFYING THE YEAR 2000 BUDGET TO ADD GENERAL FUND REVENUES; AND MODIFYING YEAR 2000

EXPENDITURES FOR PARKS & RECREATION SERVICES (TROUT ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM).

Sponsored by: Councilmember Ken Madsen

Contact person: Thomas Weber, 798-6067

For referral to the Budget and Operations Committee

7. PROPOSAL NO. 2000-51S, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AMENDING SECTION 11.02.050 OF THE PIERCE COUNTY CODE "METHOD OF CALCULATING SERVICE CHARGES," (STORM DRAINAGE AND SURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT) TO REVISE THE METHOD BY WHICH CREDITS TO SURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT SERVICE CHARGES ARE CALCULATED.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Harold Moss

Contact person: Shawn Bunney, 798-3388

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

Suggested date of Council hearing: August 29, 2000

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

Brown 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 Ordinance, which was approved and signed on August 2, 2000, was read into the record:

ORDINANCE NO. 2000-45S, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL ALLOCATING \$64,000 OF THE \$1,000,000 CRIMINAL JUSTICE TASK FORCE RESERVE, WHICH WAS APPROPRIATED IN THE PIERCE COUNTY YEAR 2000 BUDGET, AND TRANSFERRING \$60,000 OF THAT ALLOCATION TO THE PERFORMANCE AUDIT BUDGET.

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

PROPOSAL NO. R2000-94, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL COMMENDING MASTER SGT. LARRY GIBSON, VIETNAM VETERAN, SILVER STAR AND PURPLE HEART RECIPIENT, FOR HIS HEROISM IN BATTLE; AND PROCLAIMING THE DAY OF AUGUST 15, 2000, AS LARRY GIBSON DAY.

O'Malley stated Sergeant Larry Gibson was unable to attend today's Council meeting because of an emergency. O'Malley moved that the Proposal be continued to August 22, 2000; motion seconded and passed.

PROPOSAL NO. R2000-95, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AND EXECUTIVE PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF AUGUST 14-25, 2000, AS "SISTER CITY WEEK" IN PIERCE COUNTY, IN RECOGNITION OF OUR LONG-STANDING TACOMA-KITAKYUSHU SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP; AND TO HONOR THE MEMORY OF HIROSI YASKAWA AND BOB MAGUINEZ.

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

Public Testimony

Tony Anderson, General Manager of the 2000 Pierce County All Star Baseball Officials, accepted the Proclamation and thanked the Council for their recognition. He presented to Council a program for the 10th Annual Sister City High School Exchange Baseball Series. A copy of the program is contained in the Clerk's meeting file.

Representatives from the City of Kitakyushu presented gifts to Councilmembers and Staff. Councilmember Moss presented Ethnic Fest shirts to the members of the Kitakyushu Baseball team. Anderson thanked Janice Brevik, Chair of the Sister City Committee, for her efforts on this project.

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

Information Services Department Awards Presentation: The MB Foster Award, URISA Award, and Geopatial Award. Deputy Executive Fran McNair presented the awards.

VIII. ORDINANCES

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.

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

Shabro stated this Proposal came out of the Budget and Operations Committee with a do pass as substituted recommendation. She said Pierce County would join King and Snohomish Counties in providing the \$15.00 exemption to persons who have a physical disability or are 61 years of age and low income if this Proposal is approved.

Casada stated this issue came to her attention when reading a letter in the publication "Senior Scene." She stated she was unaware that Pierce County was not providing this exemption, but supports it heartily, and urged Council's adoption.

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

IX. RESOLUTIONS

PROPOSAL NO. R2000-93, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL URGING THE WASHINGTON STATE LEGISLATURE TO ENACT LEGISLATION LIMITING THE SALE OF EPHEDRINE TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN CONTROLLING THE SPREAD OF METHAMPHETAMINE LABS THROUGHOUT WASHINGTON STATE.

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

Casada stated she had sponsored this Resolution to encourage the Washington State Legislature to address the issue of the sale of the ingredients used at methamphetamine (meth) labs on a statewide and regional basis. Casada called on Chuck Robbins, Director of Public Safety, who testified he had been working on a State board appointed by the Governor which will sunset on August 21, 2000, at their final meeting. At that time they will provide recommendations to the Legislature and the Governor. He urged the Council to keep the avenues open to pursue this legislation at the local level as well as the state level.

Brown stated there may be other communities and jurisdictions who wish to address local legislation.

Moss stated a concern that the Legislature will take an extra year to enact a law.

Casada stated that her concern is that the wholesaling of products should be addressed; the Tacoma Ordinance deals with sales at the retail level only.

O'Malley received from the Washington Retail Association a letter supporting the idea of addressing the meth problem on a statewide basis. A copy of the letter is contained in the Clerk's meeting file.

Casada pointed out that she had received a message from Doug Henken, Washington Food Association, supporting the passage of R2000-93.

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

X. OTHER BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

O'Malley moved to amend next week's Council Agenda to add R2000-94; motion seconded and passed.

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XI. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned
at 4:00 p.m.

Attest:

Clerk of the Council

Approved:

Council Chair

Date Approved

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