

MINUTES  
PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING  
**SEPTEMBER 18, 2007**

930 Tacoma Avenue South, Room 1045  
Tacoma, WA 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 Lee.

II. Roll Call

Councilmembers Present: Roger Bush, Timothy M. Farrell, Barbara Gelman, Calvin Goings, Terry Lee, and Dick Muri; Shawn Bunney arrived after roll call.

Council Staff Present: Jeff Cox, Deputy Legal Counsel; Anna Graham, Administrator for Research and Policy; Denise Johnson, Clerk of the Council; Karen Lease-Smith, Councilmember Assistant; Susan Long, Administrator for Legal and Clerks; Thomas Weber, Administrator for Research and Policy.

There were three 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**

1. The minutes of the August 28, 2007, regular Council meeting
2. The minutes of the July 31, 2007, regular Council meeting
3. The minutes of the June 26, 2007, District No. 5 Council meeting
4. The minutes of the June 19, 2007, District No. 6 Council meeting
5. The minutes of the June 12, 2007, regular Council meeting
6. The minutes of the July 18, 2006, regular Council meeting

7. The minutes of the July 11, 2006, regular Council meeting
8. The minutes of the June 13, 2006, regular Council meeting

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

1. Proposal No. 2007-87, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Granting a Nonexclusive Franchise to the Rainier Ranch Maintenance Association for Location of Waterlines on Certain County-Owned Rights-of-Way; and Authorizing the County Executive to Execute Said Franchise.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Roger Bush

Department contact person: Jerry West, Public Works and Utilities,  
(253) 798-3687

Council contact person: Jeff Cox, (253) 798-7579

For referral to the Economic and Infrastructure Development Committee

2. Proposal No. 2007-88, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Granting a Nonexclusive Franchise to the Town of Eatonville for Location of Waterlines on Certain County-Owned Rights-of-Way; and Authorizing the County Executive to Execute Said Franchise.

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

**d. Other Items**

Goings moved approval of the Consent Agenda; motion seconded and passed on a roll call vote of six to zero (Bunney was excused).

**VI. Messages from Executive/Judges/Prosecuting Attorney**

1. A message from the Executive transmitting the following Ordinances, which were approved and signed on September 5, 2007, was read into the record:

Ordinance No. 2007-40, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Amending Section 4.48.020 of the Pierce County Code to Delete the Behavioral Health Fund and Establish a New Regional Support Network Fund.

Ordinance No. 2007-55s, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Amending Title 17C of the Pierce County Code, "Construction and Infrastructure Regulations – Building and Fire Codes," to Adopt the State's 2006 International Building, Residential, and Mechanical Codes; and Adopting the 2006 Uniform Plumbing Codes, Pursuant to Revised Code of Washington 19.27.031.

Ordinance No. 2007-78, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Ratifying the Collective Bargaining Agreement Reached with Council 2, Washington State Council of County and City Employees, American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), AFL-CIO, Local 3752 CD – Corrections and Detention; and Amending the Pierce County Salary Classification Plan.

2. A message from the Executive transmitting the following Ordinance, which was approved and signed on September 7, 2007, was read into the record:

Proposal No. 2007-69s, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Amending Chapter 2.98 of the Pierce County Code, "Pierce County Law and Justice Commission", to Revise the Membership and Update the Functions of the Pierce County Law and Justice Commission.

VII. Proclamations, Awards, and/or Appointments to Boards and Commissions - None

VIII. Ordinances - None

IX. Resolutions

**Proposal No. R2007-105, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Approving the Pierce County Board of Equalization's Request to Convene to Act on Timely Filed Taxpayer Petitions Which Exceed the Requirements of Revised Code of Washington 84.48.010.**

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

#### Staff Testimony

Long reported the Proposal received a do pass recommendation at the Rules and Operations Committee on September 10, 2007. Long explained the state law requires the Board of Equalization to meet at times when petitions exceed 25 or 10 percent of the number of appeals filed in the proceeding year, whichever is greater. Long noted that 2,521 petitions were timely filed in 2006, and thus far 403 have been filed in 2007. The Board urges the Council to approve its request to convene.

The Chair called for public testimony; there was no response. The Chair called for Council comments; there was no response. The question was called; the Proposal was adopted on a roll call vote of seven to zero.

X. Other Business/Announcements

1. Goings moved to hire Mike Kruger as a Council Research Analyst starting at Step10 to commence on October 8, 2007; motion seconded and carried.

XI. Citizens' Forum - None

XII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Attest:

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Denise D. Johnson, Clerk of the Council

Approved:

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Terry Lee, Council Chair

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Date Approved