

**MINUTES
PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 25, 2001**

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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 Brown.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The pledge was led by Brown.

III. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Karen S. Biskey, Wendell Brown, Pat O'Malley, Jan Shabro, and Kevin Wimsett; Calvin Goings and Harold Moss were excused.

Council Staff Present: Susan Long, Legal Counsel; Carolyn Pendle, Research Analyst; Gerri Rainwater, Administrator/Clerks & Operations; and Tom Weber, Administrator/Research & Policy.

There were approximately 23 visitors present.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

O'Malley 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. 2001-67, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AMENDING SUBSECTIONS 18A.25.250 B. AND 18A.25.150 E. OF THE PIERCE COUNTY CODE, TO ESTABLISH LEVELS FOR EDUCATION SERVICES; TO PERMIT LEVEL 1 EDUCATIONAL SERVICES IN THE RURAL SEPARATOR ZONE.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Karen Biskey

Contact person: Sean Gaffney, 798-2724

DO PASS RECOMMENDATION - PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

(Karen Biskey, Co-Chair; Harold Moss, Co-Chair;

Calvin Goings, Vice Chair; Jan Shabro, Member;
Kevin Wimsett, Member)
Suggested date of Council hearing: October 23,
2001

2. PROPOSAL NO. 2001-75, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AMENDING SECTION 5.26.030 OF THE PIERCE COUNTY CODE, FARES, TO INCREASE TAXICAB FARES IN UNINCORPORATED PIERCE COUNTY.
Sponsored by: Councilmember Wendell Brown
Contact person: Susan Long, 798-6068
DO PASS RECOMMENDATION - RULES AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE (Wendell Brown, Chair; Harold Moss, Vice Chair; Pat O'Malley, Member)
Suggested date of Council hearing: October 9, 2001

- c. Action on Resolutions (refer, set date of hearing)
 1. PROPOSAL NO. R2001-152, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE PIERCE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO NEGOTIATE THE PURCHASE OF CONSERVATION FUTURES PROPERTIES.
Sponsored by: Councilmembers Harold Moss and Karen Biskey
Contact person: Grant Griffin, 798-4049
For referral to the Planning & Public Works Committee
- d. Other Items

O'Malley moved approval of the Consent Agenda; motion seconded and passed on a roll call vote of five to zero.

VI. MESSAGES FROM EXECUTIVE/JUDGES/PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

1. A message from the Executive transmitting the following Ordinances, which were approved and signed on September 12, 2001, was read into the record:

ORDINANCE NO. 2001-54, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2000-93s2, AS AMENDED; ESTABLISHING A PARKS SALES TAX FUND; AND ADOPTING A 2001 BUDGET FOR THE PARKS SALES TAX FUND.

ORDINANCE NO. 2001-56, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL VACATING A PORTION OF UNDEVELOPED 131ST (MAPLE) STREET SOUTH, AND A PORTION OF UNDEVELOPED 8TH AVENUE (EYE STREET) SOUTH, LOCATED IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 19 NORTH, RANGE 3 EAST, OF THE WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN, LOCATED IN THE PARKLAND AREA.

ORDINANCE NO. 2001-64, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AMENDING CHAPTER 3.67 OF THE PIERCE COUNTY CODE, PERSONNEL-FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE.

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

NACo Achievement Awards Presentation by Executive John Ladenburg.

Presentation of Fair Putting Challenge proceeds to the Emergency Food Network and the Explorer Search and Rescue.

PROPOSAL NO. R2001-147, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF THREE NEW MEMBERS TO THE GRAHAM ADVISORY COMMISSION. (MICHAEL "MAX" HANNON, KAREN A. POORE, AND THOMAS H. EVANS)

O'Malley moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title into the record. The Chair called for public testimony; there was no response. The Proposal passed on a roll call vote of five to zero.

PROPOSAL NO. R2001-148, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF ONE NEW MEMBER TO THE UPPER NISQUALLY ADVISORY COMMISSION. (ARTHUR W. KEYES)

O'Malley moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title into the record. The Chair called for public testimony; there was no response. The Proposal passed on a roll call vote of five to zero.

PROPOSAL NO. R2001-149, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF TWO NEW MEMBERS TO THE SPANAWAY ADVISORY COMMISSION. (GARY W. HART AND MARK G. LA RIVIERE)

O'Malley moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title into the record.

Staff Testimony

Long pointed out that recent changes in State law would indicate that it is not appropriate to list residential addresses of public agency volunteers or employees.

O'Malley moved that residential addresses in this Resolution be deleted; motion seconded and passed.

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PROPOSAL NO. R2001-150, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF THREE NEW MEMBERS TO THE FREDERICKSON ADVISORY COMMISSION. (JAMES W. HIGBEE, PENNY SWANSON, AND BARBARA GULLER)

O'Malley moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title into the record.

Staff Testimony

Long pointed out that recent changes in State law would indicate that it is not appropriate to list residential addresses of public agency volunteers or employees.

O'Malley moved that residential addresses in this Resolution be deleted; motion seconded and passed.

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

PROPOSAL NO. R2001-153, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF BETSY SAWYERS AS THE DIRECTOR OF THE PIERCE COUNTY PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT.

O'Malley moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title into the record.

The Chair introduced Betsy Sawyers, who thanked Pierce County Personnel Department staff for their support.

John Ladenburg thanked Eric Hendrickson for serving as Interim Director since the retirement of Robert Weaver.

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

PROPOSAL NO. R2001-154, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF ONE NEW MEMBER TO THE SUMMIT-WALLER COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMISSION. (BARBARA A. HANSEN)

O'Malley moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title into the record.

Staff Testimony

Long pointed out that recent changes in State law would indicate that it is not appropriate to list residential addresses of public agency volunteers or employees.

O'Malley moved that residential addresses in this Resolution be deleted; motion seconded and passed.

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

VIII. ORDINANCES

PROPOSAL NO. 2001-77s, AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2000-34s AND ORDINANCE NO. 2000-35s, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 2001-23, TO CHANGE THE EFFECTIVE DATE FROM OCTOBER 1, 2001, TO MARCH 1, 2002; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

O'Malley moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title into the record.

Staff Testimony

Long explained that a previous effective date that had been established by the Council was assumed to allow sufficient time for the Growth Management Hearing Board to make a decision. She stated the process is still in negotiations, and recommended that the Council extend the date to allow time for negotiations without affecting current zoning. She stated the reason for the emergency is to ensure that a window of opportunity is not provided for new applications until this issue is resolved.

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

IX. RESOLUTIONS

PROPOSAL NO. R2001-156, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL SETTING THE DATE OF AN EVENING COUNCIL MEETING IN COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 6, FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2001, AT THE STEILACOOM HIGH SCHOOL PERFORMANCE AUDITORIUM, LOCATED AT 54 SENTINEL DRIVE, STEILACOOM, WA 98388.

O'Malley moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title into the record.

O'Malley stated establishing a date of an evening meeting in District No. 6 is being done to satisfy a Charter requirement. He stated there would be a presentation from the State regarding the Corrections Facility on McNeil Island. Also, there would be an update on mental health revenue reductions and how the community would be affected.

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

X. OTHER BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

At 4:10 p.m. Biskey moved that the Council convene in Executive Session to discuss personnel issues; motion seconded and passed. At 5:00 p.m. the Council reconvened in regular session.

XI. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

XII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Attest:

Gerri Rainwater
Clerk of the Council

Approved:

Wendell B. Brown
Council Chair

Date Approved