

**MINUTES
PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 30, 2003**

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I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Pierce County Council was called to order at 3:03 p.m. by Vice Chair Wimsett.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The pledge was led by Wimsett, 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, Barbara Gelman, Calvin Goings, Terry Lee, and Kevin Wimsett. Councilmember Moss was excused.

Council Staff Present: Denise Johnson, Clerk of the Council; Susan Long, Administrator for Legal and Operations; Tom Weber, Administrator for Research and Policy; and Michael Transue, Budget Consultant.

There were approximately 15 visitors present.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

V. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of Minutes
- b. Action on Ordinances (refer, set date of hearing)
 1. PROPOSAL NO. 2002-131s2, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL GRANTING A NONEXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE TO CITY OF TACOMA, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, FOR LOCATION OF RAILROAD TRACKS ON CERTAIN COUNTY-OWNED RIGHTS-OF-WAY, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE SAID FRANCHISE.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Pat O'Malley
Contact person: Jerry West, 798-3687
DO PASS RECOMMENDATION - PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
(Shawn Bunney, Chair; Terry Lee, Vice Chair; Paul
Bocchi, Member/excused; Barbara Gelman, Member;
Calvin Goings, Member)
Suggested date of Council hearing: November 4, 2003

2. PROPOSAL NO. 2003-74, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL GRANTING THE CITY OF AUBURN, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON, A NONEXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN A SANITARY SEWER PIPELINE SYSTEM OVER, IN, ALONG, AND UNDER CERTAIN PUBLIC ROADS AND HIGHWAYS IN PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE THE FRANCHISE.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Shawn Bunney
Contact person: Jerry West, 798-3687
DO PASS RECOMMENDATION - PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
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Bocchi, Member/excused; Barbara Gelman, Member;
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- c. Action on Resolutions (refer, set date of hearing)
- d. Other Items

Lee 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

1. A message from the Executive transmitting the following Ordinances, which were approved and signed on September 16, 2003, was read into the record:

ORDINANCE NO. 2003-81s, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AMENDING SECTION 14.20.040 OF THE PIERCE COUNTY CODE, "FACILITIES USE FEES", BY AMENDING PARK FACILITIES FEE SCHEDULES, ADDING NEW FEES FOR PARKS AND RECREATION ACTIVITIES AND FACILITIES; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THE NEW FEES.

ORDINANCE NO. 2003-83, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL RATIFYING THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT REACHED WITH PIERCE COUNTY JUVENILE COURT GUILD; AND AMENDING THE PIERCE COUNTY SALARY CLASSIFICATION PLAN.

ORDINANCE NO. 2003-86, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2003-43 TO CORRECT THE PARCEL NUMBER OF ONE OF FIVE PROPERTIES APPROVED FOR TIMBERLAND CLASSIFICATION UNDER CURRENT USE ASSESSMENT. (APPLICATION OST17-02, WAYNE E. ARNOLD AND BONNIE JO CHRISTNER - TANWAX AREA)

ORDINANCE NO. 2003-87, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2003-41S TO CORRECT THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY APPROVED FOR OPEN SPACE CLASSIFICATION UNDER CURRENT USE ASSESSMENT. (APPLICATION OS12-02, SCOTT RAMMELL - BUCKLEY AREA)

ORDINANCE NO. 2003-88, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2003-59 TO CORRECT THE PARCEL NUMBER, STREET ADDRESS, AND LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF TWO OF FIVE PROPERTIES APPROVED FOR TIMBER LAND CLASSIFICATION UNDER CURRENT USE ASSESSMENT. (APPLICATIONS OST40-02 AND OST42-02, MANKE LUMBER COMPANY, INC. - KEY PENINSULA AREA)

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

PROPOSAL NO. R2003-125, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AND COUNTY EXECUTIVE PROCLAIMING OCTOBER 2003 AS "NATIVE AMERICAN AWARENESS MONTH" IN PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON; AND ENCOURAGING CITIZENS TO ATTEND EVENTS WHICH CELEBRATE THE NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURE AND INCREASE AWARENESS OF NATIVE AMERICAN CONTRIBUTIONS TO PIERCE COUNTY AND TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

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

Wimsett stated the Resolution was requested by the President of the South Hill Library, and encouraged the Council and citizens to attend the special event.

The Proclamation was accepted by Erv Porter.

The Chair called for public testimony; there was no response. The Proclamation was adopted on a roll call vote of six to zero.

VIII. ORDINANCES

PROPOSAL NO. 2003-72s, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2002-112s, AS AMENDED; AND AMENDING THE 2003 BUDGET.

Lee moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the

title into the record.

Staff Testimony

Transue provided information on the appropriation amounts.

Lee moved Council Amendment No. 1; motion seconded. A copy of this amendment is included with these minutes as Attachment I.

Transue explained the amendment memorandum dated September 29, 2003. A copy is contained in the Ordinance file. Transue suggested an oral amendment on page 3 of 4, item 10, of the memo to replace \$28,497,000 with \$28,479,000.

Lee moved the suggested oral amendment; motion seconded. Wimsett called for public testimony on the oral amendment; there was no response. The motion passed on a voice vote.

The Chair called for public testimony on Council Amendment No. 1; there was no response. The motion passed on a voice vote. The Chair called for public testimony on the Proposal as amended; there was no response. The Proposal passed as amended on a roll call vote of six to zero.

IX. RESOLUTIONS

PROPOSAL NO. R2003-127, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE PIERCE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO NEGOTIATE AND IMPLEMENT A RETIREE HEALTH SAVINGS PLAN.

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

Staff Testimony

Mike Pan, Risk Management Department, reviewed with Council the update on the health spending account for employees' retirement. The program will allow County employees to dedicate funds for medical expenses during their retirement. In addition, the program will divert funds for vacations and sick leave payoffs at the time of retirement.

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

Weber explained the amendment sheet and the intention of the amendments.

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

X. OTHER BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Presentation: "The Future of Rowing on Lake Kapowsin", Brad Moeller, Executive Director, Tacoma-Pierce County Sports Commission; and Bill Pickard.

XI. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

XII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:41 p.m.

Attest:

Denise D. Johnson, Clerk of the Council

Approved:

Councilmember Harold Moss, Council Chair

Date Approved

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