

MINUTES
PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
October 23, 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: Shawn Bunney, Roger Bush, Timothy M. Farrell, Barbara Gelman, Calvin Goings, Terry Lee, and Dick Muri.

Council Staff Present: Paul Bocchi, Budget Legislative Analyst; Anna Graham, Administrator for Research and Policy; Denise Johnson, Clerk of the Council; Mike Kruger, Research Legislative Analyst; Susan Long, Administrator for Legal and Clerks; Carolyn Pendle, Senior Legislative Analyst; and Michael Transue, Budget Consultant.

There were 21 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

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

1. Proposal No. 2007-80s, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Repealing Chapter 8.64 of the Pierce County Code, "Alarm Systems", Adopting a New Chapter 8.64 of the Pierce County Code, "Alarm Systems", Relating to Alarm System Permitting, Alarm Business Registration, Alarm

Responses, Revocations, and Prescribing Penalties for Violations; and Setting an Effective Date.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Barbara Gelman
Department contact person: Jim Jenkins, Sheriff, (253) 798-3844
Council contact person: Carolyn Pendle, (253) 798-3631
Committee recommendation: Do Pass at Public Safety and Human Services on September 25, 2007
Suggested date of Council hearing: November 27, 2007

2. Proposal No. 2007-90, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Adopting the 2008-2013 Transportation Improvement Program and 2008-2021 Fourteen-Year Ferry Program, Pursuant to Revised Code of Washington Sections 36.81.121, 36.81.122, 36.81.130, and 36.54.015, and Washington Administrative Code 136, Chapters 15 and 16; Finding that Each Project Contained in the Plan is a Public Necessity; Authorizing the Prosecuting Attorney to Commence Condemnation Proceedings to Acquire Real Property for only those Capital Improvement Projects Contained in the Document for Expenditure of Funds in 2008; and Adopting Findings of Fact. (Annual Road Program, Six-Year Road Program, and the Fourteen-Year Ferry Program)

Sponsored by: Councilmember Roger Bush
Department contact person: Troy Lee, Public Works and Utilities, (253) 798-3555
Council contact person: Hugh Taylor, (253) 798-3665
To be heard in the Economic and Infrastructure Development Committee on November 6, 2007
Suggested date of Council hearing: November 20, 2007

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

1. Proposal No. R2007-128, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Acknowledging Receipt of the Citizens' Advisory Board's Recommendations for Funding the Purchase of Conservation Futures Properties; Authorizing the Pierce County Executive to Negotiate the Purchase of Conservation Futures Properties; and Authorizing the Director of Budget and Finance to Expend Funds for the Purchase Thereof.
Sponsored by: Councilmember Calvin Goings
Department contact person: Paula Felkins, Parks and Recreation Services, (253) 798-4017
Council contact person: Mike Kruger, (253) 798-6067
For referral to the Community Development Committee
To be heard in the Community Development Committee on October 29, 2007
Suggested date of Council hearing: November 20, 2007
2. Proposal No. R2007-129, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Setting the Date of an Evening Council Meeting in Council District No. 1 for

Tuesday, November 13, 2007, at 5:00 p.m., at the City of Sumner Council Chambers, 1104 Maple Street, Sumner, Washington.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Shawn Bunney
Council contact person: Patty Face, (253) 798-2687
Suggested date of Council hearing: October 30, 2007

3. Proposal No. R2007-132, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Related to the Office of the Hearing Examiner; Authorizing the Use of Gig Harbor's Hearing Examiner as a Deputy Hearing Examiner for Cases Involving Property within Gig Harbor's Urban Growth Area (UGA); Increasing the Maximum Consideration Authorized under the Agreement; Requesting that the Examiner's Quarterly Reports Include the Time Periods within which Decisions are Rendered; and Amending Resolution No. R2006-52, as Amended by Resolution No. R2006-125, in Connection Therewith.

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Terry Lee and Roger Bush
Council contact person: Susan Long, (253) 798-6068
Suggested date of Council hearing: October 30, 2007

4. Proposal No. R2007-133, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Requesting the Planning Commission and Graham Land Use Advisory Commission to Consider and Make a Recommendation on the County's Response to the Central Puget Sound Growth Management Hearings Board's Decision and Order Regarding the Logical Outer Boundaries of the Graham Rural Activity Center; Requesting the Planning and Land Services Department to Provide Support for This Process; and Requesting Recommendations by a Date Certain.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Terry Lee
Council contact person: Anna Graham, (253) 798-6253
For referral to the Rules and Operations Committee
To be heard in the Rules and Operations Committee on October 29, 2007
Suggested date of Council hearing: October 30, 2007

d. Other Items

1. Motion to certify the following budget Certifications, and instruct the Clerk of the Council to forward the Certifications to the Pierce County Assessor-Treasurer's Office, pursuant to the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 84.52.020:

Eatonville School District #404
Franklin Pierce School District
Peninsula School District

Goings 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 were approved and signed on October 10, 2007, was read into the record:

Ordinance No. 2007-82, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Authorizing the Approval of Applications for Timber Land Classification Under Current Use Assessment on Certain Properties Located Within the Unincorporated Boundaries of Pierce County; And Adopting Findings of Fact. (Application No. OST24-06, Steven and Taran Johnson - Jackson Forest Area; Application No. OST32-06, Christine Newman-Garvey - Nisqually River Forest Reserve Area; Application No. OST48-06, Eric E. and Kendra A. Niesz - Fox Island Area; Application No. OST49-06, Gary P. and Karyn T. Brady - Tahoma Ridge Area)

Ordinance No. 2007-83, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Authorizing the Approval of Applications for Open Space Classification under Current Use Assessment on Certain Properties Located within the Unincorporated Boundaries of Pierce County; and Adopting Findings of Fact. (Application No. OS47-06, Daniel D. and Donna J. Iverson, Gig Harbor Area; Application No. OS50-06, Christina DiRe (Remmers), Tacoma Area)

2. A message from the Executive transmitting the following Ordinances, which were approved and signed on October 12, 2007, was read into the record:

Ordinance No. 2007-74, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Declaring Certain County-Owned Real Property as Surplus, Located along State Route 7 between 224th and 232nd Street East in the Graham Area (Commonly Referred to as the Elk Plain Road Shop and Pit); and Authorizing the County Executive to Pursue Disposal of the Property, Pursuant to Pierce County Code 2.110.

Ordinance No. 2007-79s, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Adopting a New Chapter 2.100 of the Pierce County Code, "Pierce County Citizens' Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials."

VII. Proclamations, Awards, and/or Appointments to Boards and Commissions

Proposal No. R2007-125, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Confirming the Appointment of Four New Members (John Hildenbrand, Leon Leonard, Joseph Lewis, and Kenneth Tross) to the Pierce County Solid Waste Advisory Committee.

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

Joe Lewis expressed his appreciation to the Council for the appointment.

The Chair thanked Lewis for his willingness to serve on the Committee.

The Chair called for public testimony.

Public Testimony

Bud Rehberg provided public testimony on the Proposal.

The Chair thanked Rehberg for his service to Pierce County by serving on several boards and commissions.

Leon Leonard provided public testimony on the Proposal.

Muri spoke in support of the Lewis' appointment and thanked Lewis for his services to the Committee.

The question was called; the Proposal was adopted on a roll call vote of seven to zero.

Proposal No. R2007-126, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Confirming the Appointment of One New Member (Dennis Mitton) to the Gig Harbor Peninsula Advisory Commission.

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

The Chair called for public testimony.

Public Testimony

Bud Rehberg provided public testimony on the Proposal.

The Chair spoke in support of Mitton's appointment to the Commission.

The question was called; the Proposal was adopted on a roll call vote of seven to zero.

Proposal No. R2007-127, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Confirming the Appointment of One New Member (Andrew Bacon) to the Parkland-Spanaway-Midland Land Use Advisory Commission.

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

The Chair called for public testimony.

Public Testimony

Bud Rehberg provided public testimony on the Proposal.

The question was called; the Proposal was adopted on a roll call vote of seven to zero.

VIII. Ordinances

Proposal No. 2007-41s, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Adopting a New Chapter 19B.120 of the Pierce County Code, "The Alderton-McMillin Community Plan"; Amending Pierce County Code Sections 19A.30.060 and 19A.40.060 to Include a New Designation, Rural Industrial Centers; Setting an Effective Date; and Adopting Findings of Fact.

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

Staff Testimony

Graham explained the Proposal adopts a community plan for the Alderton-McMillin area. Graham informed the Council that the Committee process is not complete and the Proposal is not ready for final consideration. Graham recommended the Proposal be continued to December 11, 2007.

The Chair called for public testimony; there was no response.

In response to Goings' question, Long clarified the Proposal's final hearing date could be set today, and the committee hearing date will be set by Rules and Operations at a later date.

Goings moved that Proposal No. 2007-41s be continued to the December 11, 2007, 3:00 p.m., Council meeting; motion seconded and passed on a roll call vote of seven to zero.

Proposal No. 2007-75s, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Adopting a New Chapter 19B.130 of the Pierce County Code, "The Key Peninsula Community Plan"; Amending Pierce County Code Chapters 19A.30, "Land Use Element", and 19A.40, "Rural Element", to Include a New Designation, Park and Recreation; Setting an Effective Date; and Adopting Findings of Fact.

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

Staff Testimony

Kruger provided background information and provided an overview of the Key Peninsula Community Plan. Kruger summarized the Hearings Board recommendations, and explained the five elements of the Plan.

The Chair explained the Proposal allows the Key Peninsula citizens to create a vision of what they think the community should look like over the next 20 years.

Kruger reported the Community Development Committee forwarded the Proposal with a do pass recommendation on September 10, 2007.

Goings moved adoption of Council Amendment No. 1 on orange; motion seconded. A copy of the amendment is identified as Attachment I to these minutes.

Kruger explained the amendment.

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 amendment passed on a voice vote.

Goings moved adoption of Council Amendment No. 2 on sunshine yellow; motion seconded. A copy of the amendment is identified as Attachment II to these minutes.

Kruger explained the proposed amendment.

The Chair called for public testimony.

Public Testimony

The following individuals testified on the proposed amendment: Rick Sorrells; Denise Haynes, representing Longbranch parcel; Steve Kibbs; and Jarvis Ownes.

The Chair addressed concerns expressed during public testimony.

The Chair called for Council comments; there was no response.

The question was called; the amendment passed on a voice vote.

Kruger suggested an oral amendment to page 3 of the Ordinance, line 17, to fill in the blank with the dates "October 16 and October 23, 2007."

Bunney moved the suggested oral amendment; motion seconded.

The Chair called for public testimony; there was no response.

The motion carried.

The Chair called for public testimony on Proposal No. 2007-75s as amended.

Public Testimony

The following individuals testified on the amended Proposal: Rick Sorrells and Joseph Bor.

The Chair responded to Bor's testimony and informed him that his office will work with him on the parcel issue.

Farrell, in response to Bor's testimony regarding the Key Peninsula Community Plan 118th Ave/SR-302 Rural Neighborhood Center map, suggested the Council switch the two RNC parcels on 118th Avenue by removing the parcel currently in the RNC, and put back in the parcel that was removed from the RNC.

After discussion, Farrell moved the suggested oral amendment; motion seconded. The Chair called for public testimony on the oral amendment; there was no response.

The motion carried.

The question was called; the Proposal passed as amended on a roll call vote of six to zero.

Proposal No. 2007-81s, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Amending Ordinance No. 2006-114s as Amended by Ordinance Nos. 2007-8s, 2007-12s and 2007-54s; and Modifying the County 2007 Budget.

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

Staff Testimony

Bocchi described the Proposal and explained the total expenditures. Bocchi reported the Proposal received a do pass as substituted recommendation in the September 17, 2007, Rules and Operations Committee meeting.

Goings moved adoption of Council Amendment No. 1 on salmon; motion seconded. A copy of the amendment is identified as Attachment III to these minutes.

Bocchi explained the proposed amendment.

The Chair called for public testimony; there was no response. The Chair called for Council comments; there was no response.

The motion carried.

Goings moved adoption of Council Amendment No. 2 on lime; motion seconded. A copy of the amendment is identified as Attachment IV to these minutes.

Bocchi explained the proposed amendment.

Public Testimony

Bud Rehberg provided testimony on the proposed amendment.

The Chair called for Council comments; there was no response.

The motion carried.

Goings moved adoption of Council Amendment No. 3 on blue; motion seconded. A copy of the amendment is identified as Attachment V to these minutes.

Bocchi explained the purpose of the proposed amendment.

The Chair called for public testimony; there was no response. The Chair called for Council comments; there was no response.

The motion carried.

Goings moved adoption of Council Amendment No. 4 on lilac; motion seconded. A copy of the amendment is identified as Attachment VI to these minutes.

Bocchi explained the proposed amendment.

The Chair called for public testimony; there was no response. The Chair called for Council comments; there was no response.

The motion carried.

Goings moved adoption of Council Amendment No. 5 on tangerine; motion seconded. A copy of the amendment is identified as Attachment VII to these minutes.

Bocchi provided information on the proposed amendment.

At Bunney's request, Bocchi explained the technical applications of the proposed amendment.

Public Testimony

The following individuals testified on the amendment: Lyle Quasim, Chief of Staff; Terri Schmidt-Whalen, Pierce County Alliance; John Hill; and Patrick Kenney, Director of Pierce County Finance.

After discussion of the amendment, the question was called. The amendment passed on a roll call vote of four to three (Farrell, Goings and Gelman voted nay).

The Chair called for public testimony on Proposal No. 2007-81s as amended; there was no response. The Chair called for Council comments; there was no response.

The question was called; the Proposal passed as amended on a roll call vote of seven to zero.

IX. Resolutions - None

X. Other Business/Announcements

1. Goings moved to amend the October 30, 2007, Council Agenda to add the following items for final consideration:

Proposal No. R2007-132, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Related to the Office of the Hearing Examiner; Authorizing the Use of Gig Harbor's Hearing Examiner as a Deputy Hearing Examiner for Cases Involving Property within Gig Harbor's Urban Growth Area (UGA); Increasing the Maximum Consideration Authorized under the Agreement; Requesting that the Examiner's Quarterly Reports Include the Time Periods within which Decisions are Rendered; and Amending Resolution No. R2006-52, as Amended by Resolution No. R2006-125, in Connection Therewith.

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And to amend the October 29–November 2, 2007, Meeting Schedule to add the following item to the Rules and Operations Committee Agenda:

Proposal No. R2007-133, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Requesting the Planning Commission and Graham Land Use Advisory Commission to Consider and Make a Recommendation on the County's Response to the Central Puget Sound Growth Management Hearings Board's Decision and Order Regarding the Logical Outer Boundaries of the Graham Rural Activity Center; Requesting the Planning and Land Services Department to Provide Support for This Process; and Requesting Recommendations by a Date Certain.

The motion was seconded and carried.

XI. Citizens' Forum

1. Ken Paulson addressed the Council regarding various Councilmembers being potential candidates on the November 2008 ballot, and 2008 budget concerns.
2. Robert Hill expressed his concerns regarding Resolution No. R2007-110 (Council's endorsement of the Sheriff's acceptance of Bureau of Justice Assistance Grant funds for public safety).

XII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Attest:

Denise D. Johnson, Clerk of the Council

Approved:

Terry Lee, Council Chair

Date Approved

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ATTACHMENT I

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Council Amendment No. 1
orange

TO: Community Development Committee

FROM: Councilmember Terry Lee

SUBJECT: Proposed Amendment to Proposal No. 2007-75s, to avoid split zoning several parcels within the Key Peninsula Community Plan boundaries

I offer the following amendment to Proposed Ordinance No 2007-75s to avoid splitting properties with zoning boundaries. The property lines of the parcels in question were recently modified through an approved Boundary Line Adjustment.

1. Following Page 28 of Exhibit B amend the Map titled Proposed Land Use Designations/Zoning to designate Parcel A of BLA No. 200709195007 "Park and Recreation" and designate Parcel B of BLA No. 200709195007 "Rural Ten".
2. Remove the Note on the Map titled Proposed Land Use Designations/Zoning following Page 28 of Exhibit B that states: "Note: This map will be modified to reflect the Boundary Line Adjustment (BLR) for Parcels 00220018001 (Park and Recreation) and 00220018002 (Rural 10) if the BLR is approved prior to implementation of Ordinance No. 2007-75s."

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ATTACHMENT II

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Council Amendment No. 2
Sunshine Yellow

TO: Community Development Committee

FROM: Councilmember Terry Lee

SUBJECT: Proposed Amendment to Proposal No. 2007-75s, Concerning the size and logical outer boundaries of several rural commercial centers within the Key Peninsula Community Plan boundaries

I offer the following amendments to Proposed Ordinance No 2007-75s to adjust the logical outer boundaries of the 118th Avenue Rural Neighborhood Center, the 134th Avenue Rural Neighborhood Center, and the Longbranch Rural Neighborhood Center to remove certain vacant properties and certain residentially developed property from the Rural Commercial Centers consistent with the criteria discussed in the Central Puget Sound Growth Management Hearings Board Case no. 07-3-004c issued on September 28, 2007.

1. Following page 28 of Exhibit B, Amend the Map titled Key Peninsula Community Plan 118th Ave/SR-302 Rural Neighborhood Center to remove tax parcel number 0122216033 from the Rural Neighborhood Center and designate it Rural Ten.
2. Following page 28 of Exhibit B, Amend the Map titled Key Peninsula Community Plan 134th Ave/Key Peninsula Hwy Rural Neighborhood Center to remove tax parcels numbered 0122304054, 0122305037, 0122305023, 0122301045, 0122305017 and 0122301011 from the Rural Neighborhood Center and designate Rural Ten
3. Following page 28 of Exhibit B, Amend the Map titled Key Peninsula Community Plan Longbranch Rural Neighborhood Center to remove parcel number 0020242017 from the Rural Neighborhood Center and designate it Rural Ten.
4. Following page 28 of Exhibit B, Amend the Map titled Proposed Land Use Designations/Zoning* to reflect the modifications described above.

5. On page 24 of Exhibit B, Amend Table 4, Proposed Land Use Designations and Acreage to reflect the changes to the rural commercial centers as described above.
6. On page 26 of Exhibit B, Amend Table 5, Inventory of Vacant and Underdeveloped Land Available to reflect the changes to the rural commercial centers as described above.
7. On Pages 24 and 26 of Exhibit B, Amend the text in the section titled Proposed Comprehensive Plan Designations and Zoning Classifications to accurately represent the acres and percent of land designated as Rural Ten, Rural Neighborhood Center and Rural Activity Center.

attachments: Maps

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ATTACHMENT III

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October 23, 2007

COUNCIL AMENDMENT NO. 1
Salmon

TO: Pierce County Council

FROM: Councilmembers Roger Bush, Shawn Bunney, Timothy M. Farrell, Barbara Gelman, Calvin Goings, Terry Lee, and Dick Muri

SUBJECT: **PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 2007-81s**

This amendment will amend Ordinance No. 2007-81s to fund a study in the Auditor’s office regarding legislative, enforcement, and administrative strategies to increase public safety and to reduce the risks of attacks by vicious dogs. The Auditor will report the findings to the Public Safety and Human Services Committee no later than February 1, 2008.

1. On page 1 of 10, line 26, insert the following:

- a) General Fund
Auditor +10,000
- b) The funding source for this increase is:
Interest Revenues +10,000

2. On page 1 of 10, line 37, Miscellaneous Revenue, strike ~~18,493,720~~ and insert **18,503,720**

3. On page 2 of 10, line 31, Auditor, strike ~~8,411,290~~ and insert **8,421,290** and add a proviso:

“Provided, \$10,000 of the Auditor’s budget is allocated for review and recommendation of additional requirements to address vicious dogs. No later than February 1, 2008, the Auditor is requested to report to Public Safety and Human Services Committee with recommended legislative, enforcement, and administrative strategies to increase public safety and to reduce risks of attacks by vicious dogs. The Auditor should evaluate any reasonable strategies to address vicious pets and to increase the responsibility of pet owners and hold at least three public meetings in unincorporated Pierce County to receive input on this subject.”

Staff shall adjust the budget revenue and expense totals to account for the additional allocation to the Auditor.

c:Denise Johnson, Clerk of the Council

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ATTACHMENT IV

October 23, 2007

COUNCIL AMENDMENT NO. 2 LIME

TO: Councilmembers

FROM: Councilmembers Calvin Goings, Barbara Gelman, Timothy M. Farrell,
and Dick Muri

SUBJECT: Proposed Amendment to Ordinance No. 2007-81s

1. On page 3 of 10, line 41 (under the "Sheriff" allocation), add a new proviso:

"Provided, of the \$23,820 in the Sheriff's budget allocated for 'Towing/Seized Vehicles,' no more than \$12,000 shall be expended until a Tow Company Task Force reviews and provides recommendations to the Council and Executive for contracts with local tow companies for removal of vehicles from the right of way. The Task Force shall be convened and chaired by the Chair of the Performance Audit Committee and shall include the following members or their designees: the Sheriff, the Administrator of the Solid Waste Division, the Director of the Tacoma-Pierce County Law Enforcement Support Agency (LESA), and two representatives of towing companies, one representing the Pierce County Negotiating Committee of Registered Tow Truck operators and the other representing the tow company that responded to the Sheriff's RFP for tow services. Prior to the Council releasing funds by resolution and prior to the execution of any contract for those services, the Task Force shall present to the Council its recommendation for contracting for towing services."

c: Denise Johnson, Clerk of the Council

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ATTACHMENT V

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**COUNCIL AMENDMENT NO. 3
BLUE**

TO: Pierce County Council
FROM: Councilmember Timothy M. Farrell

SUBJECT: **PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 2007-81s**

This amendment will amend Exhibit "A" to the 2007 Budget Ordinance by reallocating previously appropriated funds as shown below:

1. On page 10 of the Ordinance, line 16, insert the following:

Community Programs	5,000
City of Tacoma – Fencing – Larry Frost Park	5,000

c: Denise Johnson, Clerk of the Council

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ATTACHMENT VI

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COUNCIL AMENDMENT NO. 4
LILAC

TO: Pierce County Council

FROM: Councilmember Timothy M. Farrell

SUBJECT: **PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 2007-81s**

This amendment will amend Exhibit "A" to the 2007 Budget Ordinance by adding the following proviso:

- 1. On page 4 of 10 of the Ordinance, lines 22-27, modify the Special Projects proviso as shown:

Special Projects..... 2,708,390

PROVIDED, there shall be no expenditures towards historical document maintenance beyond the sum of \$25,000 until such time as the ad-hoc committee created under Ordinance No. 2006-115 reports its findings and recommendations to the Council, including funding allocations for the \$1 of the \$5 recording surcharge authorized by RCW 36.22.170 to promote historical preservation or historical programs, and the Council adopts a resolution authorizing the Program to move forward and authorizes further expenditures for this purpose.

c: Denise Johnson, Clerk of the Council

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ATTACHMENT VII

October 23, 2007

COUNCIL AMENDMENT NO. 5 TANGERINE

TO: Pierce County Council

FROM: Shawn Bunney, joined by Councilmembers Dick Muri and Roger Bush

SUBJECT: **PROPOSED PROMETA PROVISIO AMENDMENT**

Dear Councilmembers:

Last year I expressed misgivings about Pierce County's financing of the Prometa drug treatment program administered by the Pierce County Alliance. My concerns centered on the lack of independent scientific validation of its effectiveness. I remain concerned.

Over the course of this year a number of articles have been published that question not only the efficacy of the treatment, but also the integrity of the overall process employed to raise the public profile of the Prometa protocols. I have reviewed the performance audit briefing paper on this subject, which confirms my doubts. We need answers before spending more taxpayer money on what may be nothing more than false hope for people who deserve real solutions.

My heart goes out to those fighting methamphetamine addiction. I look forward to the day this epidemic is stamped out. However, serious questions continue to rise out of the contract between Hythiam and the Pierce County Alliance. I believe there is enough reason to doubt the effectiveness of the Prometa protocols that we should no longer use taxpayer dollars for this program.

Until we receive independent scientific data that validates the efficacy of the Prometa program, I believe this Council should halt funding. To that end, I have attached a proviso that I will introduce at the October 23rd Council meeting as an amendment to Ordinance 2007-81s. I am respectfully asking for your support.

Pierce County Superior Court's Below are two amendments to address this matter. The first amendment deletes the current Prometa proviso, which the Council previously released pursuant to R2007-33s. The second amendment stops further funding of the Prometa program except to the extent that contractual obligations exist for funds on the effective date of this ordinance in recognition that some program participants have already signed contracts to participate in the program. Funding was budgeted through the budget, specifically the Family Dependency Drug Court. Earlier this year the Council authorized the release of Prometa funds pursuant to Resolution No. R2007-33s.

To delete the previous proviso and insert a new proviso in its place, the following amendments to Ordinance 2007-81s are:

On Page 4 of 10 (Superior Court), delete lines 1 – 9.

~~PROVIDED, there shall be no expenditures towards the Prometa Pilot Project until the Executive, Superior Court (Drug Court), and the Pierce County Alliance have presented the following to the Council: (a) evidence of the effectiveness of the Prometa treatment protocols, (b) a determination if there are any liabilities associated with the County's financial support of the program, and (c) a letter from the State committing the State of Washington to a match of the County's funds; and the Council adopts a resolution authorizing the expenditure from this Fund for this purpose.~~

On Page 4 of 10 (Superior Court), line 10, insert:

PROVIDED, no funds shall be expended towards the Prometa pilot project beyond those that Pierce County is contractually obligated to spend as of the effective date of this ordinance, until independent scientific research is delivered to the Council that declares the Prometa treatment protocols to be effective for the treatment of methamphetamine addiction, and the Council adopts a resolution authorizing further expenditures from this fund.

c: Denise Johnson, Clerk of the Council

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