

**MINUTES**  
**PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**October 31, 2006**  
**3:00 p.m.**

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 Acting Chair Lee.

II. Roll Call

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

Council Staff Present: Anna Graham, Senior Legislative Analyst; Steve Gross, Senior Legal Analyst; Denise Johnson, Clerk of the Council; Susan Long, Administrator for Legal and Clerks; Hugh Taylor, Senior Legislative Analyst; and Tom Weber, Administrator for Research and Policy.

There were approximately 25 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

**a. Approval of Minutes**

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

1. Proposal No. 2006-75, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Amending Chapter 19D.60 of the Pierce County Code, "Storm Drainage and Surface Water Management Plan"; Adopting the "Hylebos Browns-Dash Point Basin

Plan” for the Unincorporated Area of Pierce County as an Area Update to Pierce County’s Storm Drainage and Surface Water Management Plan; and Adopting Findings of Fact.

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Roger Bush and Calvin Goings  
Department contact person: Janine Redmond, Public Works and Utilities,  
(253) 798-7569  
Council contact person: Steve Gross, (253) 798-7579  
Committee recommendation: Do Pass at Economic and Infrastructure  
Development on October 17, 2006  
Suggested date of Council hearing: November 28, 2006

2. Proposal No. 2006-124, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Authorizing the Approval of an Application 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. OS82-05, Charles and Carla Vincent – Lakebay Area; Application No. OS89-05, D. Rusty and Janet L. Hersey – Mid-County Area; Application No. OS98-05, Anne McCrea Chase – Fox Island Area; Application No. OS100-05, Jemstone, LLC – Spanaway Area)

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Calvin Goings and Shawn Bunney  
Department contact person: Chad Williams, Planning and Land Services,  
(253) 798-3683  
Council contact person: Steve Gross, (253) 798-7579  
For referral to the Rules and Operations Committee  
Suggested date of Council hearing: November 28, 2006

3. Proposal No. 2006-125, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Declaring Certain County Owned Personal Property to be Surplus; Authorizing the Sale Thereof: Three 2000 Caterpillar 140H Road Graders; Three 2000 Deere 544H Loaders; One 1995 Deere 710D Backhoe/Loader; Two 1998 Camel Sewer Cleaning Units; One 1997 Reed Screen-All Screening Plant; and Three 1999 Deere 624H Loaders.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Shawn Bunney  
Department contact person: Alan Kies, Public Works and Utilities,  
(253) 798-6805  
Council contact person: Paul Bocchi, (253) 798-7304; and Michael Transue,  
(253) 798-7777  
For referral to the Committee of the Whole  
Suggested date of Council hearing: November 21, 2006

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

1. Proposal No. R2006-133, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Initiating a Process to Prepare a Supplement to the Year 2000 Tacoma-Pierce County Solid Waste Management Plan Pursuant to Revised Code of Washington Chapter 70.95 and Pierce County Code Chapter 8.28; Requesting the Solid Waste Division, of the Department of Public Works and Utilities, to Lead the Effort to Prepare Necessary Reports and Documentation; Requesting the Active Involvement of the Pierce County Solid Waste Advisory Committee During Drafting and Public Outreach; Referring the Proposed Supplement to the Solid Waste Advisory Committee for Review and Recommendation; and Requesting that Recommendations be Submitted to the Council by August 31, 2007.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Terry Lee

Department contact person: Steve Wamback, Public Works and Utilities,  
(253) 798-4656

Council contact person: Carolyn Pendle, (253) 798-3631

Committee recommendation: Do Pass at Economic and Infrastructure  
Development on October 17, 2006

Suggested date of Council hearing: November 7, 2006

2. Proposal No. R2006-137, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Accepting the Results of the Traffic Calming Pilot Project Study; Requesting the Department of Public Works and Utilities Install Permanent Traffic Calming Devices at Identified Locations; Stating the Council's Intent to Continue the Funding of a Traffic Calming Pilot Program in 2007, Subject to Funding Availability; and Requesting the Department of Public Works and Utilities to Recommend a Program and Criteria for Selecting Neighborhoods Eligible for the Installation of Traffic Calming Devices in the Future.

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Barbara Gelman and Shawn Bunney

Council contact person: Hugh Taylor, (253) 798-3665

For referral to the Economic and Infrastructure Development Committee  
To be heard in the Economic and Infrastructure Development Committee  
on November 7, 2006

Suggested date of Council hearing: November 21, 2006

3. Proposal No. R2006-138, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Stating Council Intent Regarding Street Illumination and Requesting the Department of Public Works and Utilities to Modify Title 17B and the Manual on Design Guidelines and Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction in Pierce County Accordingly.

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Roger Bush, Shawn Bunney, and  
Calvin Goings

Council contact person: Hugh Taylor, (253) 798-3665

For referral to the Economic and Infrastructure Development Committee

To be heard in the Economic and Infrastructure Development Committee  
on November 7, 2006  
Suggested date of Council hearing: November 21, 2006

4. Proposal No. R2006-141, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Authorizing the Executive to Enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Gig Harbor Regarding the Gig Harbor and Pierce County Hospital Benefit Zone.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Terry Lee  
Department contact person: Hudson Stansbury, Executive Office,  
(253) 798-6643  
Council contact person: Susan Long, (253) 798-6068  
For referral to the Rules and Operations Committee  
To be heard in the Rules and Operations Committee on November 6,  
2006  
Suggested date of Council hearing: November 7, 2006

**d. Other Items**

Goings 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 October 17, 2006, was read into the record:

Ordinance No. 2006-79, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Vacating a Portion of 210th Avenue East Located in the Northeast Quarter of Section 34, Township 20 North, Range 5 East of the Willamette Meridian, in the Bonney Lake Area.

Ordinance No. 2006-85, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Vacating a Portion of 50th Avenue East Located in the Southeast Quarter of Section 1, Township 18 North, Range 3 East, W.M., in the Frederickson Area.

Ordinance No. 2006-87, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Vacating an Alley Way in the Plat of South Fern Hill in the Northwest Quarter of Section 5, Township 19 North, Range 3 East of the Willamette Meridian, in the Parkland Area.

Ordinance No. 2006-89, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Levying an Assessment in 2006, for Collection in 2007, Against Land in Pierce County for the Control of Noxious Weeds.

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

**Proposal No. R2006-139, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Confirming the Reappointment of One Member to the Mid-County Land Use Advisory Commission. (Paul Hargrove)**

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

Staff Testimony

Long explained the Proposal is a reappointment, and the Proposal was not heard in committee.

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

The Proposal was adopted on a roll call vote of six to zero.

**Proposal No. R2006-140, A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Confirming the Appointment of One New Member to the Pierce County Farm Advisory Commission. (Janice M. Wharton)**

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

Staff Testimony

Long explained the Proposal is a reappointment, and the Proposal was not heard in committee.

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

The Proposal was adopted on a roll call vote of six to zero.

VIII. Ordinances

**Proposal No. 2006-91s3, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Amending the Pierce County Code, Chapter 18.25, "Definitions," Title 18A, "Pierce County Development Regulations - Zoning," Title 18B, "Pierce County Development Regulations – Signs," Title 18F, "Pierce County Development Regulations - Land Divisions and Boundary Changes" and Title 18J, "Development Regulations - Design Standards and Guidelines"; Addressing the Prohibition of Electronic Signs in the South Hill and Mid-County Sign Standards, the Relocation of Billboards Associated with Public Right-of-Way Acquisition, Increasing the Size of Religious Assembly Facilities in the Reserve 5 Zone in the Gig Harbor Peninsula Standards, and Other Clarifying and Technical**

**Amendments Affecting Various Use Types, Design Standards, and Definitions; Adopting Findings of Fact; and Setting an Effective Date.**

Goings moved consideration of the Proposal; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title into the record.

Staff Testimony

Graham reported the Proposal received a do pass as substituted recommendation by the Community Development Committee on October 16, 2006. Graham noted the Proposal was heard three times in committee, and she addressed the prohibition of electronic signs.

Goings thanked the staff of the Council and the Planning and Land Service Department for their hard work on the Proposal.

The Acting Chair announced that although more work is needed on the Proposal before final Council action, public testimony will be taken on the Proposal.

Public Testimony

The following individuals provided testimony on the Proposal: Joseph Price; Tom Seigel, Bethel School District; Rob Van Slyke, Bethel School District; Jim Hansen, Bethel School District; Barbara Guller; David Randles; Bruce Kendell, Economic Development Board of Pierce County; Julie Collins, Port of Tacoma; Derrick Urganast, Port of Tacoma; Catherine Rudolph, Association of Realtors; Kathy Carlson, Bethel School District; Frank Zawislak, PacWest Brokers; Mike Brophy, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Schools for Bethel School District; Michael Christianson, Bethel School District; and Ray Schuler, Sheller Properties. The individuals spoke to the proposed zoning change that would allow a proposed skill center in the Frederickson Industrial area.

After the close of public testimony, Farrell moved that the Proposal be continued until the next Council meeting; motion seconded.

Farrell suggested that a compromise Proposal be presented at the November 7 Council meeting.

Goings, Muri, and Bush provided closing comments on the Proposal.

At the Acting Chair's request, Taylor responded to concerns addressed during public testimony.

The Acting Chair called for the question, the Proposal was continued to the November 7, 2006, 3 p.m. Council meeting on a roll call vote of six to zero.

**Proposal No. 2006-98s, An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Finding That Acquisition of Real Property Located Within the Project Area of The Foothills Linear Park Trail (Rails to Trails) is a Public Necessity; and Authorizing the Prosecuting Attorney to Initiate Condemnation Proceedings (South Prairie to Buckley Segment).**

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

Staff Testimony

Gross explained the Proposal authorizes the Prosecuting Attorney to initiate condemnation proceedings.

Grant Griffin, Parks and Recreation Services, announced he was available to answer questions; there were no questions.

Goings moved Council Amendment No. 1 on green; motion seconded.  
Gross explained the amendment is technical in nature. A copy of the amendment is identified as Attachment I to these minutes.

The Acting Chair called for public testimony on the amendment; there was no response.

The question was called; the motion carried.

Public Testimony on Proposal No. 2006-98s as Amended

The following individuals provided testimony on the amended Proposal: Ms. Pat Johnson, Mayor of Buckley; Peggy LeVesque, Mayor of South Prairie; Ernie Bay; John Ernest Berry III, Rails to Trails Coalition; Ray Schuler; and Patricia Post (a copy of her letter is contained in the Ordinance file).

Councilmembers Farrell, Gelman, Goings, and Lee provided closing remarks.

The Proposal passed as amended on a roll call vote of six to zero.

IX. Resolutions - None

X. Other Business/Announcements

1. Goings moved to amend the November 6-10, 2006, Meeting Schedule to add Proposal No. R2006-141 to the November 6, 2006, Rules and Operations Committee Agenda; motion seconded and passed.
2. Goings moved to amend the November 7, 2006, Council Agenda to add Proposal No. R2006-141 to Section IX. Resolutions; motion seconded and passed.

XI. Citizens' Forum - None

XII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:25 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

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## Attachment I

October 27, 2006

Council Amendment No. 1  
Green

TO: Pierce County Council

FROM: Council Staff

SUBJECT: Proposed Amendment to Proposal No. 2006-98s

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The Parks and Recreation has sent over a corrected legal description. This amendment substitutes that corrected legal description for the one sent through committee.

Replace Exhibit A with the new Exhibit A attached to this amendment.

### Attachment

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### *Clerk Note*

*The change made to Exhibit A: page 1 of 3, line 19, the words "north-south center line" were replaced with the words "west line of the northeast quarter"*