

**MINUTES
PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 4, 2001**

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I. CALL TO ORDER

The District No. 2 meeting of the Pierce County Council was called to order at 7:05 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, Calvin Goings, and Kevin Wimsett; Harold Moss and Jan Shabro were excused. Pat O'Malley arrived after the roll call.

Council Staff Present: Anna Graham, Research Analyst; Susan Long, Legal Counsel; Gerri Rainwater, Administrator/Clerks & Operations; Tom Weber, Administrator/Research & Policy; and Christine Wilson, Councilmember Assistant.

There were approximately 34 visitors present.

Brown passed the gavel to Host Councilmember Goings, who introduced Staff and Councilmembers.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

V. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of Minutes
 1. The minutes of the November 6, 2001, regular Council meeting.
- b. Action on Ordinances (refer, set date of hearing)
- c. Action on Resolutions (refer, set date of hearing)
 1. PROPOSAL NO. 2001-96, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL REPEALING SECTIONS 1., 2., AND 3. OF ORDINANCE NO. 92-43; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO ESTABLISH THE SIZE OF VOTING PRECINCTS, CONSISTENT WITH REVISED CODE OF WASHINGTON 29.04.040.
Sponsored by: Councilmember Wendell Brown
Contact person: Thomas Weber, 798-6067
DO PASS RECOMMENDATION - RULES AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE (Wendell Brown, Chair; Harold Moss, Vice Chair; Pat O'Malley, Member/excused)
Suggested date of Council hearing: January 8, 2002
 2. PROPOSAL NO. 2001-108, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 99-110, INCREASING THE ANNUAL SALARY OF THE PIERCE COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY.
Sponsored by: Councilmember Wendell Brown
Contact person: Robert Dick, 798-6514
For referral to the Rules and Operations Committee
Suggested date of Council hearing: January 8, 2002
- d. Other Items

Brown moved adoption of the Consent Agenda; motion seconded and passed on a roll call vote of five to zero.

O'Malley entered the meeting at this point.

VI. MESSAGES FROM EXECUTIVE/JUDGES/PROSECUTING ATTORNEY - None

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

PROPOSAL NO. R2001-190, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL HONORING LOWE'S OF PUYALLUP FOR ITS DEDICATION TO PROTECTING THE CHILDREN OF PIERCE COUNTY BY BEING THE CORNERSTONE OF PROJECT IMPACT'S CHILD CARE RETROFIT PROGRAM.

Brown moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the proclamation into the record.

Staff Testimony

Steve Bailey, Emergency Management Department, explained the Child Care Retrofit program is a safety measure in preparing child care centers for earthquakes and other disasters. He stated Lowe's of Puyallup has been an active partner, and introduced Dean Brucie, who accepted the Proclamation, and thanked the Council for their recognition.

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

PROPOSAL NO. R2001-194, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF THREE MEMBERS TO THE FREDERICKSON ADVISORY COMMISSION. (JOAN CROSS, CONNIE NICHOLS, AND BARBARA GULLER)

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

Public Testimony

Joan Cross and Barbara Guller thanked the Council for their reappointment, and stated they enjoy working on this Advisory Commission.

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

PROPOSAL NO. 2001-102, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL RENEWING THE MORATORIUM ESTABLISHED BY ORDINANCE NO. 2001-46s ON NEW CONSTRUCTION AND PERMITS ON ALL UNZONED GOVERNMENT LAND ON McNEIL ISLAND FOR SIX MONTHS; ACKNOWLEDGING THE COUNCIL'S COMPLIANCE WITH THE PUBLIC HEARING REQUIREMENT OF REVISED CODE OF WASHINGTON 36.70A.390; AND ADOPTING FINDINGS OF FACT.

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

Staff Testimony

Long explained passage of this Ordinance would renew the moratorium established by Ordinance No. 2001-46s, acknowledges the Council's compliance with the public hearing requirement of Revised Code of Washington 36.70A.390, and adopts Findings of Fact.

Brown moved adoption of Council Amendment No. 1 as set

forth in Attachment I to these minutes; motion seconded. The Clerk read the amendment into the record. Long explained adoption of this amendment would attach Exhibit "A" setting forth Findings of Fact.

The amendment passed on a voice vote. 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. 2001-105, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL RATIFYING THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT REACHED WITH TEAMSTERS, CHAUFFEURS, WAREHOUSEMEN AND HELPERS UNION, LOCAL NO. 313; AND AMENDING THE PIERCE COUNTY SALARY CLASSIFICATION PLAN.

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

Staff Testimony

Joe Carrillo, Personnel Department, asked for Council's ratification of the tentative settlement reached during collective bargaining with the Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen, and Helpers Union Local No. 312.

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

In response to Brown's question regarding medical plans, Carrillo stated a Memorandum of Understanding is currently being drafted and will be added to the contract at a later time.

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

PROPOSAL NO. 2001-106, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL RATIFYING THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT REACHED WITH THE PIERCE COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS' ASSOCIATION; AND AMENDING THE PIERCE COUNTY SALARY CLASSIFICATION PLAN.

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

Staff Testimony

Carrillo asked for Council's approval of this Ordinance to ratify the tentative settlement reached during collective bargaining with the Pierce County Prosecuting Attorney's Association.

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

PROPOSAL NO. R2001-158s3, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL REFERRING THE PARK, RECREATION, & OPEN SPACE PLAN TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND LAND SERVICES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW, TO THE PIERCE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION FOR REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION, AND TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION SERVICES FOR PREPARATION OF THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE AND REPORT OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION FOR TRANSMITTAL TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL; AND SETTING A DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTAL TO THE COUNCIL.

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

Goings thanked Biskey, Chair of the Planning and Public Works Committee, for the Committee's diligent work on this issue.

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

PROPOSAL NO. R2001-168s, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL ESTABLISHING AN AD HOC TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTERS 2.96 AND 2.97 OF THE PIERCE COUNTY CODE, TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF "OPEN SPACE" AND THE USES OF CONSERVATION FUTURES FUNDS; SETTING FORTH THE RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES OF THE TASK FORCE; APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE TASK FORCE; SETTING A DATE FOR A REPORT BACK TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL; AND SETTING A SUNSET DATE.

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

Staff Testimony

Graham stated in dealing with this issue, Staff realized it is difficult to define open space, and, therefore, the option of appointing a task force to define limits and uses of open space properties for Pierce County is being recommended. She stated the Resolution sets up a time frame and format for submittal of the Task Force's recommendations to the Council.

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

X. OTHER BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Brown moved 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 Revised Code of Washington 84.52.020:
 - a. City of Edgewood
 - b. City of Roy
 - c. Puget sound Educational Service District No. 121
 - d. Town of Eatonville (Cities/Towns & Emergency Medical Service)
 - e. Town of Steilacoom
 - f. Town of Sumner

The motion was seconded and passed.

2. Presentation on the unique attributes of Emerald Ridge High School by Casey Cox, Assistant Principal.
3. Presentation on the South Hill Community Plan by Dan Cardwell and Bill VanderPas.

XI. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dale Washam thanked Biskey, Shabro, and O'Malley for voting against Ordinance No. 2001-99s. He stated he is filing a referendum against this Ordinance.

Fred Manor thanked Shabro, Biskey, and O'Malley for voting against Ordinance No. 2001-99s, and asked the Council to rescind the action.

Steve Ulrich expressed a concern regarding the City of Puyallup imposing Impact Fees in the unincorporated areas of Pierce County, and spending those revenues within the City limits. A copy of his handout is contained in the Clerk's meeting file. The Chair stated Council Staff would work with Ulrich to respond to this issue.

Larry Archer thanked the Council for the approval of Ordinance No. 2001-99s, stating the revenues will go a long way in funding much needed infrastructure to keep pace with development.

Daryl McCarty expressed a concern regarding Ordinance No. 2001-96, dealing with precinct sizes. His concern was that precincts would be too large, considering absentee ballots.

Bill VanderPas thanked the Council for adoption of Ordinance No. 2001-99s, stating that the revenues will assist in providing infrastructure to keep pace with growth that is occurring in Pierce County, particularly in the South Hill location.

Betsy Stubbs thanked the Council for adopting Ordinance No. 2001-99s, and stated although it is difficult to increase fees, this was the right vote for the County.

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XII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned
at 8:35 p.m.

Attest:

Gerri Rainwater, Clerk of the Council

Approved:

Harold Moss, Council Chair

Date Approved

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