

MINUTES
PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
May 2, 2017

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I. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Pierce County Council was called to order at 3:01 p.m. by Chair Richardson.

II. Roll Call

Councilmembers Present: Jim McCune, Douglas G. Richardson, Dan Roach, Pam Roach, Rick Talbert, and Derek Young.

Councilmember Excused: Connie Ladenburg.

Council Staff Present: Rebecca Chapman, Support Clerk; Amy Cruver, Councilmember Assistant; Patty Face, Deputy Clerk; Ric Fritz, Council Office Manager; Diana Hankins, Clerk 1; Denise Johnson, Clerk of the Council; Tammi Lewis, Councilmember Assistant; Susan Long, Administrator for Legal and Research; Priscilla Martinez-Mejia, Operations Clerk; Linda Medley, Legal Clerk; and Jenifer Schultz, Committee Clerk.

There were approximately 15 visitors present.

III. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

The pledge was led by Richardson, followed by a Moment of Silence in tribute to our men and women in the Military.

IV. Approval of Agenda

Talbert moved approval of the agenda; motion seconded and passed on a voice vote.

V. Consent Agenda

No final action on any Ordinance was taken under this Section.

a. Approval of Minutes

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

1. [Proposal No. 2017-15](#), Fireworks - Civil Penalties

An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Amending Section 17C.60.230 of the Pierce County Code, "Fireworks," to Authorize the Issuance of Civil Infraction Citations for Violations.

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Connie Ladenburg and Derek Young
Council contact person: Susan Long, (253) 798-6068

Committee recommendation: Do Pass at Public Safety, Human Services, and Budget on April 10, 2017

Date of final Council hearing: May 30, 2017

2. [Proposal No. 2017-21](#), Ferry Fares

An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Amending Chapter 10.38 of the Pierce County Code, "Ferry Fares," by Adding a New Fare Category and Amending the Base Vehicle Length in the Existing Ferry Fare Schedule; and Setting an Effective Date.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Douglas G. Richardson

Council contact person: Paul Bocchi, (253) 798-7304

Department contact persons: Planning and Public Works – Nick Lacsina, (253) 798-6355; and Lauren Behm, (253) 798-2421

For referral to the Rules and Operations Committee

To be heard in the Rules and Operations Committee on May 8, 2017

Date of final Council hearing: May 16, 2017

3. [Proposal No. 2017-22](#), Public Nuisances - Enforcement

An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Declaring County Policy Regarding Code Enforcement Activity Related to Public Nuisances; Authorizing Additional Code Enforcement Staff and Expressing Council Intent to Provide Additional Enforcement Related Funding; Requesting Modifications to the Pierce County Website to Improve the Ability of Citizens to Report and Monitor Enforcement Issues; and Requesting the County Executive to Identify Any Additional Resources or Regulatory Changes that Would Improve the County's Ability to Resolve Public Nuisances in a Timely Manner.

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Douglas G. Richardson, Jim McCune, Rick Talbert, and Dan Roach

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

For referral to the Rules and Operations Committee

To be heard in the Rules and Operations Committee on May 8, 2017

Date of final Council hearing: May 16, 2017

c. Action on Resolutions

d. Action on Grant Applications/Awards

e. Other Items

1. Motion to amend the May 9, 2017, Council Agenda to add the following item to Section X:

Pierce County Superior Court 2016 Annual Report – Chris Gaddis, Superior Court Administrator, (253) 798-3963

Talbert 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 Ordinance, which was approved and signed on April 17, 2017, was read into the record:

[Ordinance No. 2017-8](#), An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Vacating a Portion of 184th Street East Right of Way in the Southeast Quarter of Section 35, Township 19 North, Range 4 East of the Willamette Meridian, in the Puyallup Area.

2. A message from the Executive transmitting the following Ordinances, which were approved and signed on April 21, 2017, was read into the record:

[Ordinance No. 2017-4](#), An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Declaring Certain County-Owned Personal Property, Used Equipment (One Wirtgen Milling Machine, Three Combination Sewer Cleaners, One Paint Striping Truck, Two Kenworth 10-Yard Dump Trucks, Two Kenworth 10-Yard Hook Trucks, and Two Broom Bear Street Sweepers) Owned by the Public Works Department Equipment Revolving and Rental Fund, to be Surplus; and Authorizing the Sale Thereof.

[Ordinance No. 2017-5](#), An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Declaring Certain County-Owned Real Property as Surplus, Located at 9515 and 9411 39th Avenue Court SW, Lakewood, Washington (Commonly Referred to as “Lakewood Road Shop Property”), and Consisting of Land and Improvements on Tax Parcels; and Authorizing the County Executive to Pursue Disposal of the Property, Pursuant to Chapter 2.110 of the Pierce County Code.

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

[Proposal No. R2017-37](#), Proclamation - National Travel and Tourism Week

A Resolution of the Pierce County Council and Executive Proclaiming the week of May 7-13, 2017, as “National Travel and Tourism Week,” in Pierce County, Washington.

Talbert moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title summary into the record. Richardson read the Proclamation into the record in its entirety. Richardson called for public testimony.

Public Testimony: Bennish Brown, Travel Tacoma + Pierce County; Dean Burke, Tacoma South Sound Sport Commission; Rob Allen, Economic Development Division; and Mark Horace, Tourism Promotion Area Commission, addressed the Council. Richardson closed public testimony.

The question was called; the Proposal was adopted on a roll call vote of six to zero. A group photograph was taken with the Council and tourism personnel in attendance.

Proposal No. R2017-43, Proclamation - Municipal Clerks Week

A Resolution of the Pierce County Council and Executive Proclaiming the Week of May 7-13, 2017, as "Municipal Clerks Week" in Pierce County, Washington.

Talbert moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title summary into the record. Young read the Proclamation into the record in its entirety. Richardson called for public testimony; there was no response. Richardson closed public testimony.

P. Roach and Richardson provided comments.

The question was called; the Proposal was adopted on a roll call vote of six to zero. A group photograph was taken with the Council and Clerks in attendance.

Proposal No. R2017-44, Proclamation - Juror Appreciation Month

A Resolution of the Pierce County Council, Executive and Courts, Proclaiming the Month of May 2017, to be "Juror Appreciation Month" in Pierce County, Washington.

Talbert moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title summary into the record. P. Roach read the Proclamation into the record in its entirety. Richardson called for public testimony.

Public Testimony: Elizabeth Martin, Superior Court Presiding Judge; Chris Gaddis, Superior Court Administrator; Connie Janigo, Jury Coordinator, addressed the Council. Martin responded to Councilmember questions.

Young provided comments.

The question was called; the Proposal was adopted on a roll call vote of six to zero. A group photograph was taken with the Council and Superior Court personnel in attendance.

VIII. Ordinances - None

IX. Resolutions

Proposal No. R2017-39, Drainage District No. 14 – Appointment

A Resolution of the Pierce County Council Appointing a Commissioner to the Drainage District No. 14 Board of Commissioners to Fill an Existing Vacancy.

Talbert moved to postpone indefinitely the Proposal; motion seconded and passed on a voice vote.

X. Other Business/Announcements - None


XI. Citizens' Forum

Richardson called for public comments; there were none. Richardson acknowledged the attendance of Allison McCaffree, League of Woman Voters.

XII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Attest:



Denise D. Johnson, Clerk of the Council

Approved:



Douglas G. Richardson, Council Chair

05-30-2017

Date Approved