CITY OF BELLEVUE CITY COUNCIL

Summary Minutes of Regular Session

November 7, 2011 8:00 p.m. Council Chamber Bellevue, Washington

- <u>PRESENT</u>: Mayor Davidson, Deputy Mayor Lee, and Councilmembers Balducci, Chelminiak, Degginger, Robertson, and Wallace
- ABSENT: None.
- 1. <u>Call to Order</u>

The meeting was called to order at 8:06 p.m., with Mayor Davidson presiding.

2. <u>Roll Call, Flag Salute</u>

Upon roll call, all Councilmembers were present except Councilmember Chelminiak, who arrived at 8:08 p.m. Councilmember Robertson led the flag salute.

(a) Commendation for Senator Scott White

Mayor Davidson read a commendation of Senator Scott White's public service, and called for a moment of silence in his memory.

- 3. <u>Communications: Written and Oral</u>
- (a) Renay Bennett said she received an automated phone call from Councilmember Degginger on behalf of John Stokes, a candidate for City Council. She asserted that this violates public disclosure law. She expressed concern that there was not sufficient parking tonight at City Hall, and that she had to pay to park at Meydenbauer Center. She asked the City to avoid this situation in the future.
- (b) Terry Foulon expressed her ongoing concerns about Newcastle Beach Park and the investigation of pollutants. She presented findings of violations that were not shared with the City Council, and urged the Council to address the situation.
- (c) Jeanne Krone reported that the City removed the sidewalk in front of her condominium building on NE 11th Street, and there is now no place for a Metro Access bus to pick up

its riders, who are elderly and/or require assistance. She requested a narrow strip of sidewalk to facilitate access to transit and vehicles.

- (d) Marsha Finley, a resident of the condominium building described by Ms. Krone, expressed her concern about the removal of the sidewalk and the lack of pedestrian access.
- 4. <u>Reports of Community Council, Boards and Commissions</u>: None.
- 5. <u>Report of the City Manager</u>
 - (a) Management Brief regarding Electronic Plan Review Implementation

City Manager Steve Sarkozy opened staff's presentation on the implementation of the electronic plan review project.

Mike Brennan, Director of Development Services, reported that Bellevue launched the first phase of the Paperless Permitting Initiative on October 17. The program allows the electronic submission, review, and issuance of permits, as well as the retention of electronic plans. The project is a partnership with the ECityGov Alliance, which launched MyBuildingPermit.com in 2002.

(b) Management Brief regarding Governor Gregoire's Preliminary Budget Reduction Alternatives presented on October 27, 2011.

Finance Director Jan Hawn reported that Governor Gregoire has identified possible reductions to the State budget including a number of shared revenues that directly affect the City. The potential impacts are summarized in a management brief on page 5-3 of the meeting packet. The City is working with legislators and other cities to protect and maintain these revenues.

Responding to Councilmember Robertson, Ms. Hawn said the Governor's office has not responded to Bellevue's letter of November 2.

In further response, Mr. Sarkozy said the City's annexation effort and petition process is underway. The item will come back to the Council before the end of the year. He acknowledged that the annexations will have a financial impact on the City. However, current state legislation provides an offset from state sales tax revenues to cover the City's loss related to annexation. Mr. Sarkozy noted that this program is one of the budget reductions proposed by the Governor, and it would be contested by cities who have been involved in annexation efforts that are relying on these revenues.

Mr. Sarkozy said the state legislature's special session will begin later in November.

Responding to Councilmember Wallace about Initiative 1183 to privatize liquor sales, Joyce Nichols, Interim Director of Intergovernmental Relations, said the Association of Washington

Cities (AWC) and others are analyzing the potential impact of the initiative and of the Governor's overall budget. The results of that work will be shared with the Council when it becomes available.

6. <u>Council Business and New Initiatives</u>

Councilmember Balducci reported that the Sound Transit Board voted to approve the draft East Link Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), which is the subject of tonight's public hearing.

Councilmember Chelminiak called attention to the memo from Human Services staff regarding the severe weather shelters that have been established.

Councilmember Robertson noted that tolling on SR 520 is scheduled to begin in December, and that some Councilmembers have expressed concern about the impact this will have on holiday shopping. She suggested requesting that the State wait until January to implement the tolls. Mr. Sarkozy noted his understanding that the State might not be ready to implement tolls in December, but he has not received definitive information.

Mayor Davidson observed that Sound Transit and Metro, as well as the City, benefit from sales tax revenues. He suggested that the transit agencies could join the City in advocating for a delay in implementing tolls to accommodate the holiday shopping season.

Responding to the Council, Mr. Sarkozy said the City will make a formal request to the Washington State Department of Transportation.

- 7. <u>Approval of the Agenda</u>
- \rightarrow Deputy Mayor Lee moved to approve the agenda, and Councilmember Robertson seconded the motion.
- \rightarrow The motion to approve the agenda carried by a vote of 7-0.
- 8. <u>Consent Calendar</u>
- → Deputy Mayor Lee moved to approve the Consent Calendar, and Councilmember Robertson seconded the motion.
- \rightarrow The motion to approve the Consent Calendar carried by a vote of 7-0, and the following items were approved:
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- (b) Ordinance No. 6022 authorizing execution of Fire Protection Services Agreements with the cities of Clyde Hill, Medina and Newcastle and the towns of Beaux Arts Village, Hunts Point and Yarrow Point.
- (c) Ordinance No. 6023: 1) adopting the recommendations for the use of 2012 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds as transmitted by the Human Services Commission; 2) authorizing the submittal of a proposal to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the 2012 CDBG Program; 3) authorizing the acceptance of a grant award contract with HUD; 4) creating a new project series within the Operating Grants and Donations Fund; 5) amending the 2011-2012 budget for the Operating Grants and Donations Fund by appropriating additional revenues to that Fund; 6) authorizing entering into agreements with grant subrecipients; and, 7) authorizing expenditures of said grant funds.
- (d) Motion to award Bid No. 11275 to High Mountain Electric, Inc., in the amount of \$57,971.72, as the lowest responsible bidder, for the Bannerwood Park parking lot project (CIP Project No. P-R-11).
- (e) Motion to award Bid No. 11260, 130th Avenue SE Sidewalk, to Sanders General Construction, LLC, in the amount of \$118,573.80, as the lowest responsible and responsive bidder for installation of curb, gutter and sidewalk on the east side of 130th Avenue SE from SE 45th Lane to SE 46th Street (CIP Plan Nos. NEP-1 and PW-WB-56).
- (f) Motion to award Bid No. 11264, SE 56th Street Sidewalk and 119th Avenue SE Sidewalk Repair, to Pacific Northwest Earthworks, LLC, in the amount of \$101,025.00, as the lowest responsible and responsive bidder for installation of curb, gutter and sidewalk on the north side of SE 56th Street and maintenance of the sidewalk on the west side of 119th Avenue SE south of Newport Heights Elementary School (CIP Plan Nos. NEP-1 and PW-M-19).
- (g) Ordinance No. 6024: 1) authorizing execution of Amendment No. 4 to the Interlocal Agreement with the Washington State Department of Ecology to accept \$54,622.11 in grant reimbursement funds from the Coordinated Prevention Grant Program to implement recycling and hazardous waste prevention and education programs; 2) increase Phase 1 funding amount and decrease Phase 2 funding amount; 3) reallocate funding between projects; 4) establishing a project within the Operating Grants and Donations Fund; 5) appropriating unanticipated and future revenues to that fund; and, 6) authorizing expenditures of said funds.
- (h) Motion to award Bid No. 11192 for AC Water Main Replacement Phase 2, to Fury Site Works, Inc., in the amount of \$1,776,046.66, as the lowest responsible and responsive bidder (CIP Plan No. W-16).

9. <u>Public Hearings</u>

(a) Public Hearing on proposed Memorandum of Understanding with Sound Transit regarding the East Link light rail project

Mayor Davidson provided introductory comments to the public hearing on the East Link Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Sound Transit. He reviewed the rules for the public hearing, noting that the Council will take formal action on the MOU by November 14.

Deputy City Attorney Kate Berens provided a brief overview of the draft MOU, which focuses on collaboration between the two agencies with regard to the light rail project and a Downtown Tunnel. It includes a key termination provision at the 60-percent design/cost estimate stage, which is anticipated to be completed during the first quarter of 2014. She provided an overview of the City's financial contributions which consist of an upfront \$100 million contribution/credit and a later City contingency contribution of up to \$60 million.

Ms. Berens briefly described the City's permitting process related to the MOU. A related Transit Way Agreement addresses the use of the City's right-of-way, the procedure for amending the MOU, and construction permits under the City Code.

- → Councilmember Degginger moved to open the Public Hearing, and Councilmember Robertson seconded the motion.
- \rightarrow The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

The following citizens came forward to comment:

- 1. Mark Sussman spoke in opposition to the MOU and light rail project. He questioned the cost effectiveness and anticipated ridership of the project, and spoke in favor of bus rapid transit as an alternative. He expressed concern about impacts to residents and businesses.
- 2. Wendy Jones cautioned against entering into the MOU with Sound Transit. She does not think the project will experience the anticipated ridership. She noted Tukwila as an example of Sound Transit's track record in mitigating light rail noise. She is opposed to potential property tax increases to help fund the light rail tunnel. She expressed concern about neighborhood impacts.
- 3. Sue Baugh, representing Move Bellevue Forward, spoke in support of the MOU and the East Link project.
- 4. Alex Smith, an Issaquah resident and Bellevue property owner, thanked Councilmembers for their dedicated service. He noted his interest in the construction impacts of the East Link project on the economic vitality of Bellevue and the greater Eastside. He reported that he created a forum called Fast Forward Eastside, which commissioned Hebert Research to analyze the economic impacts of East Link construction. He expressed

concern about the potential for a \$1.4 billion in lost revenue over a four-year construction period. Two representatives of Hebert Research discussed the findings based on a survey of 606 businesses and 611 individuals in the September-October timeframe. They described the anticipated negative economic impacts associated with East Link construction.

Councilmember Degginger requested a list of the survey questions, and the speaker referred him to Jim Hebert, who was unable to attend this evening. Mr. Degginger noted that large areas of East Bellevue and South Bellevue were not included in the survey. The speakers briefly explained the sampling method.

Councilmember Balducci said she would like to see the actual survey questions and data along with the summary report.

Councilmember Wallace commented that Sound Transit's law firm, Foster Pepper, retained Hebert Research several years ago to do a similar study for the Alaskan Way viaduct tunnel. He suggested it would be helpful to look at that study to address issues about the potential validity of the Bellevue/Eastside study.

- 5. Stacie Anderson observed that the economy is still depressed, and that mortgage foreclosures and high unemployment rates are continuing. The costs of college tuitions and elderly long-term care are increasing significantly as well. She spoke against any new tax on Bellevue residents to fund the light rail Downtown Tunnel, and asked the Council to not sign the MOU.
- 6. Joe Rosmann, Building a Better Bellevue, presented a slide show related to the Downtown Tunnel and the cost of bringing light rail to Bellevue. He spoke in opposition to the MOU, and expressed concern that East Link will increase traffic congestion. He submitted copies of his presentation.
- 7. Geoff Bidwell spoke in favor of the B7 light rail alternative. He expressed concern about federal 4(f) requirements and adverse environmental impacts to the Mercer Slough and along Bellevue Way and 112th Avenue SE. He spoke against entering into the East Link MOU, and against any new tax without first having a citywide referendum.
- 8. Al [Illegible] presented a drawing showing a future Sound Transit light rail connection to Issaquah as part of the Sound Transit 3 program.
- 9. Renay Bennett spoke in support of alternative B7. She opposes Sound Transit's preferred B2M alignment and the MOU. She expressed concern about funding the Downtown Tunnel and the impact on other capital needs.
- 10. Lois Dobish spoke in opposition to the Bellevue Way-112th Avenue SE light rail alignment. She expressed concern about environmental and neighborhood impacts. She opposes the MOU and supports alternative B7.

- 11. Becky Lewis commented that Bellevue cannot live in the past, and that it is not the community it was 30 years ago. She noted the need for improved transportation to support local employers, and expressed support for the MOU.
- 12. Winton Cannon, representing the League of Washington Taxpayers, spoke against any property tax increases. He believes that the cost of the proposed Downtown Tunnel places a burden on those who will not use transit. He spoke against entering into the MOU.
- 13. Christie Hammond, Surrey Downs East Link Committee, expressed concerns regarding neighborhood impacts related to the East Link project. She thanked staff and Council for its hard work on the MOU to date. Residents are pleased to see the insistence for a trench under SE 4th Street and a requirement for no partial takings of residential properties. However, Ms. Hammond said the MOU must ensure the project's compliance with the City's Comprehensive Plan, and it must protect against all impacts on traffic, the environment, and neighborhoods. She said it is premature for the City to sign the MOU.
- 14. Dick Applestone spoke to the negative financial impact of the MOU on all Bellevue taxpayers. He expressed concern about the impacts on property owners living along or near Sound Transit's preferred East Link route, and about the potential for transit-oriented development near Main Street and 112th Avenue. He urged the Council to forget the tunnel and to support the Vision Line.
- 15. Bob Gillespie expressed support for the MOU and light rail project, and said the City must move ahead. He recalled that 60 percent of voters approved of light rail for the Eastside, and there continues to be strong support. He said that entering into a collaborative effort with Sound Transit benefits the City. Regarding comments that construction of the project will cripple the Downtown, Mr. Gillespie recalled that at one point there were 20 construction cranes in Downtown Bellevue, and that did not devastate the Downtown.
- 16. Betina Finley expressed support for the MOU, noting that it gives Bellevue a seat at the table through final design. She thanked Councilmembers Degginger, Robertson and Wallace for their involvement in the negotiations. She believes the MOU is responsive to Bellevue's interests and objectives, and encouraged moving forward.
- 17. Allan Smith said he opposes the MOU. He is concerned about the costs and the negative impacts of the B2M alignment, including construction impacts. He said his home will be blighted by light rail construction, and his property value will decrease significantly. He opposes any property tax increases to finance the project. He recalled that he fought for an alignment along I-405 early in the planning process.
- 18. Kevin Paulich, an Enatai resident, thanked the Council for its work on the East Link project. He spoke in favor of the negotiated MOU and the Downtown Tunnel. He said the

issue is no longer about whether there should be light rail on the Eastside, or what the alignment should be, because those issues have already been decided.

- 19. Daniel Warwick expressed support for the MOU and Downtown Tunnel. He wants the best policies and the best mitigation for the community, and he believes it is important to make rational decisions based on established facts.
- 20. Bill Popp, an Enatai resident, spoke in favor of the B7-C14E light rail alignment along I-90 and I-405. He expressed concern about potential cost increases with Sound Transit's preferred alignment. He spoke against signing the MOU. Mr. Popp submitted his comments in writing.
- 21. Carole Muth, a Somerset resident, said she is proud of how Bellevue has grown during her 49 years as a resident. She supports moving forward with light rail and the MOU. She said that she, her husband, and friends are relying more on transit as they get older.
- 22 John Su spoke in favor of signing the MOU, noting the long-term benefit of the Downtown Tunnel. He encouraged a spirit of one community and of representing majority interests that want light rail and a tunnel. Failing to sign the MOU will result in an at-grade alignment through the Downtown, which will not be good for anyone. Mr. Su observed that failing to support the MOU equates to opposing light rail and the desires of the majority of the community. He asked Councilmembers to vote on behalf of the majority of residents and not from their own personal preferences.
- 23. Martin Paquette, an Enatai resident, said he is in favor of the East Link project and the MOU. He spoke to the need for expanding transportation options to decrease traffic congestion and to conserve long-term energy resources.
- 24. Sven Goldmanis stated his support for the MOU, and thanked Councilmembers Degginger, Robertson and Wallace for their work in the negotiations. He said the light rail project is moving forward, and it is to Bellevue's benefit to cooperate through the MOU. He noted the Mayor's comments during the earlier Study Session about Sound Transit Subarea equity, and agreed that citizens need to understand this concept. He said everyone also needs to understand the property tax and the concept of banked capacity. Mr. Goldmanis believes this is the time and type of project to utilize the banked capacity.
- \rightarrow Councilmember Balducci moved to extend the meeting to 11:00 p.m., and Councilmember Robertson seconded the motion.
- \rightarrow The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

At 10:02 p.m., Mayor Davidson called for a five-minute break. The meeting resumed at 10:08 p.m.

- 25. Kurt Lutterman thanked the Council for its leadership in working with Sound Transit and with staff to develop a good agreement for Bellevue. He observed that some of the public comments are focused on issues other than the MOU and the best way to implement light rail. A majority of Bellevue citizens, 58 percent, voted in favor of light rail, and he supports moving forward with the MOU.
- 26. Judith Paquette commented that she lives in the Enatai area, and she has neighbors both in favor of and opposed to light rail. She commented on the growth in Bellevue since she moved here in 1981. She believes that the need for light rail will become even more apparent as the price of gas increases and the population ages. She encouraged signing the MOU.
- 27. Kevin Kelly, Bellevue Chamber of Commerce, said the Chamber supports the regional effort to build an integrated transportation system to move people and goods. The Chamber is committed to protecting the economic vitality and business growth in Bellevue and the greater Eastside. He expressed support for the light rail project and the MOU, which contains many improvements from earlier agreements for Bellevue's long-term benefit. The Chamber believes there is a critical need for the southbound HOV lane on Bellevue Way that has been discussed in the past. He urged working with Sound Transit to reduce the East Link project budget and the City's contribution.
- 28. Greg Johnson, Wright Runstad, said he is the Chairman of the Bellevue Downtown Association and a Board Member of the Bellevue Chamber of Commerce. However, he is speaking on behalf of Wright Runstad, which is one of Bellevue's largest property owners. He spoke to the importance of the light rail project for local employers and businesses. Mr. Johnson expressed support for the MOU. He noted that, earlier that day, Wright Runstad submitted its master development plan for the Spring District in the Bel-Red Corridor, which incorporates light rail. He thanked the Council for its support of the development agreement with Wright Runstad. He thanked the Planning Commission, which was chaired at the time by Councilmember Robertson, for its strong commitment to the Bel-Red Plan as well.
- 29. Gary Ritner suggested that the Council and the City need to focus on Microsoft, and on other technology start-up companies that want and need light rail.
- 30. Scott Rodgers, a resident on 112th Avenue SE, thanked the Council for its hard work in keeping the tunnel option alive. He believes it is the best alternative for Downtown Bellevue and the region. He urged the Council to sign the MOU, and to cooperate in implementing an important legacy project for Bellevue citizens.
- 31. Sherwin Lee expressed support for the MOU, which he believes gives Bellevue good leverage. Noting community concerns about impacts, Mr. Lee said it is important to look at the overall system and benefits. He encouraged the Council to use common sense and to move forward with light rail for the community.

- 32. Elizabeth Hayden, a resident of the Overlake area near Redmond, expressed support for light rail, and encouraged approval of the MOU.
- 33. Loyd Jacobs, a Woodridge resident, urged the Council to sign the MOU. He commended City staff and the Council's negotiation team, and asked Councilmembers to support the majority of citizens who voted for light rail.
- 34. Linda Andersson, a Medina resident, commented on her experiences of living in cities and countries with rapid transit. She testified to the convenience of light rail, and noted that the facilities can be artfully designed. She is not enthusiastic about paying higher taxes, but she believes it would be worth it for the East Link project.
- 35. Jack McCullough, speaking on behalf of Lincoln Plaza, thanked the Council for its work on the design modification for 112th Avenue SE, which is reflected in the MOU. He suggested that the time has come for the City to reap the rewards of the negotiations, and that there is nothing more to gain by further delays with the MOU.
- 36. Brian Brand encouraged approval of the MOU. He thanked Councilmembers for their hard work. His company, Baylis Architects, has been in Downtown Bellevue for nearly 40 years, and many of his employees use transit. He trusts that appropriate neighborhood mitigation will occur, and he fears that not signing the MOU would result in an at-grade alignment.
- 37. Ross Jacobson, a resident of South Bellevue, said he is commenting as an individual, but he is also a Board Member for the Bellevue Downtown Association. He commended the Council for bringing the project this far, and expressed support for signing the MOU. He believes the consequences of walking away are dire and would result in an at-grade alignment. While funding is a challenge, he believes the Council will resolve that issue.
- 38. David Schooler, Chair of the Bellevue Downtown Association, expressed appreciation for the Council's hard work on the East Link project. The BDA urges Council approval of the MOU, which maximizes benefits and greatly minimizes risk. Mr. Schooler said that Bellevue has a long tradition of providing major improvements while protecting the City's fiscal health.
- 39. Rebecca Sears said her family has been using mass transit from Enatai for the past 100 years. Her grandfather took the ferry to his law office in Seattle, and she takes the bus to the University of Washington. She encouraged the Council to think about younger generations and to support light rail in Bellevue. She asked the Council to sign the MOU. She believes that voting against the MOU is voting against light rail.
- 40. Joe Burcar said he supports signing the MOU, which he believes is fair and feasible. He said the City has done a fantastic job of identifying viable funding options for the tunnel. He believes the community cannot afford further delays, and he encouraged everyone to look beyond the construction impacts.

- 41. Jacob Struiksma, a resident of Seattle's Roosevelt area, noted that he is blind. He uses transit and walks all over the region, and he believes that the region needs light rail. He supports the MOU and Downtown Tunnel, and encouraged the Council to move forward. He is frustrated with the delays, noting that voters approved light rail for the Eastside years ago. He is on a number of pedestrian advisory boards and transportation forums, and has traveled to many cities and used their transit systems. He supports grade separation for both safety and travel speed. He is frustrated with transit spending on Park and Ride facilities, and believes more money should instead be spent on the rail system, pedestrian facilities, and transit-oriented development.
- 42. Neal Christiansen, a Woodridge resident, encouraged the Council to sign the MOU. He noted that the City needs to continue to take a long-term view on this project, and to focus on mitigation. He commended Councilmembers for their work. While an alignment along I-405 would be more convenient for him, he believes that would not be in the best interest of the overall community.
- 43. Arjun Sirohi, a Surrey Downs resident, said he is pleased with the Council's assurances for exceptional mitigation and for advocating against partial property acquisitions. However, he observed that the MOU does not explicitly protect property owners on 112th Avenue SE. He would like the MOU to state that if Sound Transit chooses some partial takings, the City will acquire the full properties. Mr. Sirohi said that his neighbors on 111th Place SE also urge that there be no partial takings.
- 44. Neeraj Sirohi said she was speaking on behalf of Susan Ilvanakis, her neighbor, who was not able to attend the public hearing. She expressed concerns about partial property takings and noise, visual and vibration impacts. She opposes the MOU without the inclusion of detailed mitigation measures. Ms. Sirohi said residents are requesting full acquisition of their homes.
- \rightarrow Deputy Mayor Lee moved to extend the meeting to 11:30 p.m., and Councilmember Robertson seconded the motion.
- \rightarrow The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.
- 45. Bob Bengford, an Enatai resident, expressed support for the MOU. He observed that rejection of the MOU is a vote for the surface alignment through the Downtown. A rejection of the MOU, and potential litigation, would be costly to the City and delay the project. Sound Transit will still build the project and it will move forward.
- 46. Marilyn Robertson, a Bridle Trails resident, observed that Sound Transit is a bully with too much power. Noting negative comments directed at Kemper Freeman, Ms. Robertson said she believes he has the community's best interests at heart. The light rail project will adversely affect the transportation of freight across I-90. She is concerned about putting the City in financial constraints, and asked the Council to delay a vote until after the

November 8 election. She believes that the outcome of the election will indicate whether the community supports light rail. Ms. Robertson opposes the MOU. She noted that cities with effective light rail have higher population densities than Bellevue. She does not believe that the costs of light rail will justify the benefits in this area.

- 47. Melinda Cockerham spoke against the City's contributions identified in the MOU. She said that Sound Transit 2 funds were supposed to finance light rail, and that Bellevue already pays more than its fair share for Sound Transit projects. Ms. Cockerham said that \$103 million of East subarea money is going to North King County. She said Sound Transit should increase taxes equally in all subareas to finance East Link. She noted that Sound Transit did not ask the City of Seattle to finance its tunnels.
- 48. Kevin Grey supports transit but does not want light rail running through Surrey Downs. He opposes the MOU, and does not want to ruin the Surrey Downs neighborhood.
- 49. Bill Thurston, President of the Bellevue Club, commended the Council's negotiating team. He supports the MOU and full property takings, and encouraged the Council to move forward.
- 50. Betsy Blackstock, President of the Surrey Downs Community Club, commented on the role of relationships in local light rail planning. She described her realization that others perceive her as being against light rail, when her message has actually been to do it right. Going forward as a community, she said it is important to stand up for each other and work together. She agreed with Councilmember Robertson's suggestion to delay the implementation of SR 520 tolls until after the December shopping season, and Ms. Blackstock suggested delaying until after the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.
- → Councilmember Degginger moved to close the Public Hearing, and Councilmember Robertson seconded the motion.
- \rightarrow The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.
- 10. Land Use: None.
- 11. Other Ordinances, Resolutions and Motions
 - (a) Resolution No. 8321 authorizing execution of an amendment to the Proceeds Distribution and Hold Harmless Agreement for distribution of the accrued interest remaining in the jail property proceeds account to the City of Renton for disbursement to the South Correctional Entity (SCORE).

Councilmember Balducci noted her employment as Director of the King County jail system, and recused herself from participating. She left the meeting at 11:19 p.m.

- → Councilmember Degginger moved to approve Resolution No. 8321, and Councilmember Wallace seconded the motion.
- \rightarrow The motion carried by a vote of 6-0, with Councilmember Balducci recused.
- 12. <u>Unfinished Business</u>: None.
- 13. <u>Continued Oral Communications</u>: None.
- 14. <u>New Business</u>: None.
- 15. <u>Executive Session: None.</u>
- 16. Adjournment
- At 11:20 p.m., Mayor Davidson declared the meeting adjourned.

Myrna L. Basich, MMC City Clerk

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