

## League of Women Voters of Tacoma – Pierce County Observer Corps

Pierce County Council  
Lydia Zepeda reporting

April 2, 2019  
Started at 3:08pm ended at 7:54pm

**Members present:** Marty Campbell, Connie Ladenburg, Jim McCune, Dave Morrel, Douglas Richardson, Pam Roach, Derek Young

**Absent:** none

**Others present:** county directors and staff, members of the public.

**Consent agenda** – Consent agenda approved 7-0.

Approval of Minutes - March 19, 2019, regular Council Meeting  
- March 20, 2019, special Council Meeting

Proposal No. 2019-18, Declaration of Surplus Real Property - Declaring County-owned property as surplus, situated along A. P. Tubbs Road East located in the northwest and southwest quarters of Section 29, Township 19 north, Range 6 east of the Willamette Meridian; and authorizing the County Executive to sell, exchange or lease. **To be heard in the Rules and Operations Committee on April 22, 2019. Date of final Council hearing: April 30, 2019**

Proposal No. R2019-34, Appointment of Joyce Besancon to the Anderson Island Citizens' Advisory Board to fill an unexpired term.

Proposal No. R2019-35, Reappointment of Terry Reid to the Pierce County Conservation Futures and Open Space Citizens' Advisory Board.

### Messages from County Executive

Approved and signed on March 20, 2019: Ordinance No. 2019-5, Granting a nonexclusive franchise to Clear Lake Water District for location of waterlines on certain County-owned rights-of-way.

Approved and signed on March 22, 2019: Ordinance No. 2018-102s, Amendments to Title 17B of the Pierce County Code, "Construction and Infrastructure Regulations – Road and Bridge Design and Construction," and the "Manual on Design Guidelines and Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction in Pierce County" consolidating and reducing the complexity of the Pierce County development regulations and setting an effective date.

### Proclamations

Proposal No. R2019-31, Proclaims April 2, 2019, as "National Service Recognition Day."  
Approved 7-0

Proposal No. R2019-36, Proclaims April 2019, as "National County Government Month."  
Approved 7-0

## Ordinances

Proposal No. 2018-95, Amends Chapter 2.45 of the Pierce County Code, "Land Use Advisory Commissions (LUACs)," to restore review and recommendation of Shoreline Substantial Development Permits and Shoreline Administrative Conditional Use Permits to LUACs; and adopt findings of fact. Restores opportunity for community and experts to provide input to shoreline permit approval process. It can delay permitting process by a month. Lack of quorum will not hold up application. Committee recommendation: Do pass at Community Development on November 19, 2018.

Approved 5-2

Proposal No. 2018-100, Grants a nonexclusive franchise to the City of Gig Harbor for location of water lines on certain County-owned rights-of-way; and authorizing the County Executive to execute said franchise. Committee recommendation: Do pass at Economic and Infrastructure Development on March 12, 2019.

Approved 6-0 (Roach stepped out)

Proposal No. 2018-101, Grants nonexclusive franchise to Kenneth L. Brossel and Karol R. Brossel, husband and wife; Warren D. Fisk and Patricia J. Fisk, husband and wife; Scott L. Hodges and Sylvia K. Hodges, husband and wife, to construct, operate, and maintain a sanitary sewer pipeline system, in, along, and under certain public roads, highways, and other County property in Fox Island for 15 years. Committee recommendation: Do pass at Economic and Infrastructure Development on March 12, 2019.

Approved 7-0

Proposal No. 2019-14, Amends Chapter 2.61 of the Pierce County Code, "Anderson Island Citizens' Advisory Board," Revises the composition and Increases the number of voting members to eleven. Committee recommendation: Do pass at Community Development on March 18, 2019.

Approved 7-0

Proposal No. 2019-6, as amended by amendments 1 and 3 below. "Birth to 25 (B-25) Advisory Board for Infant, Child, Youth, and Young Adult Development." Committee recommendation: Do pass at the Human Services on February 19, 2019. Continued from the March 26, 2019 Council meeting.

Creates B-25 advisory board with members approved by County Council. The purpose is to provide evidence-based policy assistance to County Council. 19 members representing diversity: 7 of whom are parents, representative of K-12, juvenile justice, early childhood, Behavioral health, Public health, youth housing/homelessness, faith community, pediatric health, workforce development, and one young adult. Non-voting student members are encouraged. The term of office is until sunset date December 31, 2021. Members can be removed for inefficiency, neglect of duty, malfeasance, and 3 unexcused missed meetings. Board shall elect chair and vice chair, quorum in 10. Must abstain from vote if there is a conflict of interest. Meet at least quarterly, open to public, must adopt rules, provide to council. Written minutes should be provided to members and public. The priorities are to develop a

long range plan focused on equity with new, innovative programs, with pro-social approaches that engage children in families, schools, etc. All proposals and policy recommendations will be in writing and made to County Council prior to budget adoption process. Consultant may be hired to provide staff to help board.

Extensive public comments pro and con.

Approved 5-2

#### Proposed Amendments Proposal No. 2019-6

1 on Tan: changes terminology from prenatal to birth, defines as an advisory board rather than commission, adds a representative of special needs community, reduces meeting frequency, modifies priorities, clarifies staff support, adopts sunset December 31, 2021, removes it from Code since it is temporary. Approved 7-0.

2 on lavender: change references from “birth to 25” to “birth to 3” throughout. Roach said “birth to 25” means “birth to failure to fly.” She says resources are too limited to address needs of older children or young adults. Voice vote: nays have it, amendment 2 is not adopted.

3 on green: B-25 board will consider recommendations for seriously disabled up to age 25. Amendment passed by voice vote.

4 on blue: replace 19 members with 7 county council people. Roach’s intent is to reduce number on committee and asserts that the County Council reflects the diversity of the County better than members of the community. 1-6 Nays have it, amendment 4 is not adopted.

Withdrawn by Roach: 5 on yellow: strikes assistance by Pierce County Human Services Community Development Division and funding at discretion of County Executive.

6 on salmon: consider recommendations on membership provided by Care Net Pregnancy and Family Services of Puget Sound. McCune’s intent is to allow Care Net determine the composition B-25. Campbell says there are 5 offices. McCune says they are under one HQ. Young says that Charter has a process for membership and this would circumvent the process. Nays have it, amendment 6 not adopted.

#### **Resolutions**

Proposal No. R2019-32, sets the date of an evening Council Meeting in Council District No. 4 for Tuesday, April 16, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. at the Pierce County Environmental Services Building, 9850 64th Street West, University Place, Washington. The meeting will concern the Chambers Bay ground lease agreement.

Approved 7-0

Proposal No. R2019-15, as amended. Prioritize Birth-to-Three Policies, Best Practices and Cross Coordination to Improve Child and Family Outcomes in Pierce County. Committee recommendation: Do pass at the Human Services on February 19, 2019. Continued from the March 26, 2019 Council meeting.

Approved 6-1.

Amendment 1 on green, changes from “prenatal” to “birth” and other changes. Attachment with corrections. Passed unanimously.

**Citizen’s forum:** Dawn Land, a stay-at-home mom who drives food pick-up at night talked about a homeless man she saw with no possessions, no shoes. She stopped and he politely asked her if she was ok. She gave him a blanket. He asked her if she wanted any meth. She described him as “lost.” She declared that no legislation could save him.