

**COUNCIL WORKSHOP**

**March 1, 2011  
5:30 p.m.**

**AGENDA**

City of



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*The City Council may act on items listed on this agenda, or by consensus give direction for future action. The council may also add and take action on other items not listed on this agenda.*

**Call to Order:** Mayor Neil Johnson @ Bonney Lake City Hall – 19306 Bonney Lake Blvd.

**Roll Call:**

Elected Officials: Mayor Neil Johnson, Deputy Mayor Dan Swatman, Councilmember Laurie Carter, Councilmember Dan Decker, Councilmember Mark Hamilton, Councilmember Donn Lewis, Councilmember Randy McKibbin and Councilmember James Rackley.

Expected Staff Members: City Administrator Don Morrison, Public Works Director Dan Grigsby, Community Development Director John Vodopich, Police Chief Mike Mitchell, Chief Financial Officer Al Juarez, Community Services Director Gary Leaf, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Harwood Edvalson and City Attorney Jim Dionne.

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**For citizens with disabilities requesting translators or adaptive equipment for listening or other communication purposes, the City requests notification as soon as possible of the type of service or equipment needed.**

Notice of Upcoming Meeting

*The City Council and its advisory boards and commissions will hold a planning retreat on March 5, 2011 starting at 8:00 am. The location will be the former Reed Property at 7109 Barkubein Road, Buckley, WA.*

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**COUNCIL WORKSHOP**

**February 15, 2011  
5:30 p.m.**

**DRAFT MINUTES**



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**Location:** City Hall Council Chambers, 19306 Bonney Lake Blvd, Bonney Lake.

**I. Call to Order:** Mayor Neil Johnson, Jr. called the Workshop to order at 5:31 p.m.

**II. Roll Call:** [A1.3]

Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Harwood Edvalson called the roll. In addition to Mayor Johnson, elected officials attending were Deputy Mayor Dan Swatman, Councilmember Dan Decker, Councilmember Mark Hamilton, Councilmember Donn Lewis, Councilmember Randy McKibbin and Councilmember James Rackley. Councilmember Laurie Carter was absent.

[Staff members in attendance were City Administrator Don Morrison, Chief Financial Officer Al Juarez, Community Development Director John Vodopich, Community Services Director Gary Leaf, City Attorney Jim Dionne, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Harwood Edvalson, and Administrative Specialist Shawn Campbell.]

**Councilmember Decker moved to excuse Councilmember Carter from attendance at the meeting. Councilmember Lewis seconded the motion.**

**Motion approved 6-0.**

**III. Agenda Items:**

5:32:27

**A. Council Open Discussion:**

**Urban Growth Area Amendment:** Councilmember Hamilton asked to have the City’s proposed amendments to the County Comprehensive Plan put on the City website for Citizens to view. He also asked for a timeline of when the amendments go through the different County departments and meetings be added to the website so Citizens can be informed and involved in the City’s plans for the future.

**Costco:** Councilmember Decker asked for a status update on Costco coming to the City. Mayor Johnson said the City is still in contact with Costco. He said Costco is continuing to evaluate all options.

**Corliss Property:** Councilmember Hamilton said he heard that Mr. Corliss is replanting the ridge west of the City. Councilmember Decker said there is heavy equipment on the hillside. Director Vodopich stated he is not aware of what is currently happening on the property because it is in the county. He said Mr. Corliss has three years to replant the trees.

**Flood Plan Advisory Committee:** Councilmember Hamilton said he attended a Flood Plan Advisory Committee meeting where they presented a proposed capital

projects budget. He noted that all members of the committee live in the valley. He said one of the 46 projects is a floodwall for the Sumner Sewer Treatment Plant. Mayor Johnson stated he asked the County to add a sewer treatment plant floodwall to any capital improvement flood plan.

**Flood Control District:** Mayor Johnson said he spoke with Pierce County Councilmember Tim Ferrell, who plans to propose a new process to start a flood control district that includes getting input from interested parties at the County Council retreat.

**Urban University Forum:** Councilmember Rackley said he attended an Urban University Forum. He said he would like to investigate adding an off campus site of University of Washington Tacoma in Bonney Lake. He said the University would have four high schools to pull from and it would be good for students and the City. He said he spoke with the UWT Chancellor and is going to call him again and ask him to contact the City Administrator to discuss this further.

**Good Samaritan Hospital:** Councilmember Rackley said he attended the opening of the new wing of the hospital. He said the new wing is very nice.

**Pierce Transit:** Mayor Johnson said he attended the Pierce Transit board meeting. He said the other board members do not have a good understanding of the needs of smaller communities. He said the rural communities need a different type and level of service and he would like to see a study done to show the different types of service that would work for smaller communities. He said they need to look at ways to make the service efficient and work for the rural customers. He said the board has a retreat scheduled for February 28, 2011. He will give the Council a full report at the March 1<sup>st</sup> Council Workshop. Councilmember Hamilton said now is not the time to raise taxes especially while cutting services.

5:53:22

- B. **Review of Council Minutes:** February 1, 2011 Workshop and February 8, 2011 Council Meeting.

The minutes were forward with corrections to the February 22, 2011 Meeting for Council action.

5:53:39

- C. **Discussion:** AB11-28 – Ordinance D11-28 - At-large vs. Wards for Council representation.

Deputy Mayor Swatman asked the Council to think about whether or not the Ward System will serve the citizens of Bonney Lake now and in the future. He said he wants citizens to have the ability to vote for all Councilmembers. He believes if the City was bigger and had different demographics then it would make sense to have a ward system, but concerns of the citizens are similar all around the City. Councilmember Rackley said he feels having an At-Large system makes the most sense. He likes the idea of citizens voting for all councilmembers. Councilmember Lewis said most cities the size of Bonney Lake have all At-Large representation and the cost savings to the taxpayers is important. Councilmember Decker said he likes the idea of all At-Large representation, but believes the citizens should vote on changing the system of representation. He said one of his concerns is it may be cost prohibitive for people to run for Council in an At-Large system because they would

have to put signs all over the City instead of one small area. Deputy Mayor Swatman said people can run for election with very little money or spend large amounts. Councilmember Lewis said according to the Association of Washington Cities, this issue does not need to be on the ballot. He said the citizens elected each representative to the council and the council can make this decision. Councilmember Hamilton said people would not run unopposed in an all At-Large System. He said it would encourage more people to get involved and have more participation from citizens. By Council consensus, the item was forwarded to the February 22, 2011 Meeting for action.

6:51:05

- D. **Discussion:** AB11-04 – Ordinance D11-04 - False Alarm Ordinance  
 E. **Discussion:** AB11-05 – Resolution 2092 - Agreement with ATB Services to Administer the False Alarm Ordinance

Both Items were discussed in unison.

Chief Financial Officer Juarez said this ordinance and resolution have gone before the Finance Committee twice. He said the actual permit fee to customers would be reduced by 31%. He said the ordinance shifts the responsibility for false alarms to the permit holder. He gave statistics about the number of false alarms per year and the police staff time required. He said ATB quoted the City the ability to reduce the number of false alarms by 60% giving officers more time to devote to true crimes. He said the permit will cost \$24, of that \$20 goes to the servicing company and \$4 goes to the City. He added that a reduced fee will be available for seniors and the disabled. He said the City can choose to have fees sent directly to the servicing company or the servicing company can bill the City. If the City chooses to take the fees in-house there will be a nominal fee for billing from ATB. He said currently the alarm permit program is on the honor system. The City does not monitor in anyway who has a permit and who does not. He said the servicing company will work with the alarm installing agencies to ensure that all City residents who have alarms have the proper permits.

He said the Ordinance does remove the waiving of the first two false alarms, but if the permit holder does an online educational program, they can get the first false alarm fee waived. He said ATB heavily emphasizes educating customers. He said the benefit to the City is in the reduction of false alarms. Councilmember Lewis said this is a win win for the City. Deputy Mayor Swatman said the fees are the same as Pierce County. He said ATB also provides tracking information to the City regarding false alarms. He said this is a better system then the City currently uses. Chief Financial Officer Juarez said notice will be provided via newspaper, public notice, and utility bills. By Council consensus, the two items were forwarded to the February 22, 2011 Meeting for action.

6:38:15

- F. **Discussion:** AB11-31 - Resolution 2106 - Hazard Mitigation Plan

City Administrator Morrison said the original Hazard Mitigation Plan was completed in 2004. He said the City is required to update the plan to be eligible for FEMA Funds. He said the City is not obligated to do the projects. He said the Council must approve the plan before it can be sent to FEMA for final approval. He said the City can use this plan to reduce hazards for citizens. Deputy Mayor Swatman said the plan is very impressive. Councilmember Lewis said the plan

shows that staff did their homework. He said that the maps show each area instead of one map with the whole area, which will be helpful in an emergency. By Council consensus, the item was forwarded to the February 22, 2011 Meeting for action.

6:43:55

- G. **Discussion:** Council Retreat (3/5/11) Potential Agenda Items, Location and Participants.

City Administrator Morrison stated he sent out an Eastown Survey to the boards, commission members and residents of Eastown. He said he will present the results of the survey at the retreat. He said the results will not be comingled between the homeowners and the board members.

**IV. Executive Session:** None

6:45:44

**V. Adjournment:**

**At 6:45 p.m. Councilmember Rackley moved to adjourn the Workshop. Councilmember Lewis seconded the motion.**

**Motion approved 6 – 0.**

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Harwood T. Edvalson, CMC  
City Clerk

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Neil Johnson, Jr.  
Mayor

Items submitted to Council at the February 15, 2011 Workshop: None

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**February 22, 2011  
7:00 P.M.**



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**Location:** City Hall Council Chambers, 19306 Bonney Lake Blvd., Bonney Lake.

**I. CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Neil Johnson, Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

A. Flag Salute: Mayor Johnson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Roll Call:

Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Harwood Edvalson called the roll. In addition to Mayor Johnson, elected officials attending were Deputy Mayor Dan Swatman, Councilmember Laurie Carter, Councilmember Dan Decker, Councilmember Mark Hamilton, Councilmember Donn Lewis, Councilmember Randy McKibbin, and Councilmember Jim Rackley.

[Staff members in attendance were City Administrator Don Morrison, Public Works Director Dan Grigsby, Community Development Director John Vodopich, Police Chief Mike Mitchell, Chief Financial Officer Al Juarez, Community Services Director Gary Leaf, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Harwood Edvalson, City Attorney Jim Dionne, and Records & Information Specialist Susan Duis.]

C. Announcements, Appointments and Presentations:

1. Announcements: None.
2. Appointments: None.
3. Presentations: None.

D. Agenda Modifications:

**Councilmember Rackley moved to amend the agenda by tabling AB11-28 - Ordinance D11-28 from Full Council Issues, Item A. to the March 1, 2011 Workshop for discussion. Councilmember Decker seconded the motion.**

**Motion to table approved 7 – 0.**

7:00:42

**II. PUBLIC HEARINGS, CITIZEN COMMENTS & CORRESPONDENCE:**

A. Public Hearings: None.

B. Citizen Comments:

Jonathan Kohl, 4825 79<sup>th</sup> St, Tacoma, and Mary Wisner, 10406 56<sup>th</sup> Ave E, Puyallup, updated the Council on their plans to open a youth center called 'Club 101' in

Bonney Lake. They said they have identified property in the downtown area (the former Diamond Lounge and an adjacent building) that are available, and are talking with the owner about a lease-to-own option. They said they are working to secure funding sources, and asked what the next steps are to get their project going. Mayor Johnson asked Mr. Kohl and Ms. Wisner to contact Community Development Director Vodopich to learn about the permitting process. He said he would be pleased to see a youth center in the City, but if the group is seeking financial support from the City, they must submit a proposal for the Council to review. Ms. Wisner and Mr. Kohl thanked the Council for their time and for the information.

Phil DeLeo, 4610 N Island Dr, Bonney Lake, spoke in opposition to Ordinance D11-28, which would make all Council positions 'at-large' positions. He said the ward system offers better representation for residents, and when he was a councilmember he primarily heard from people living in his ward. He said the City is geographically large and residents in different areas have different needs. He said a change to the ward system should be decided by a vote of the people. Councilmember Hamilton noted that the proposed ordinance was tabled to the March 1<sup>st</sup> Workshop for discussion during agenda modifications.

Dean Ogle, 22318 SR 410, Bonney Lake, said he has been in discussion with a large business that is interested in developing on his property. He said the City needs to move forward on construction of the sewer lift station in Eastown so it does not miss opportunities for development like this. He said he and other property owners in the area are willing to sign a latecomers agreement to ensure completion of the sewer system. Mayor Johnson said the Council will discuss the Eastown sewer system at the retreat on March 5<sup>th</sup>, and encouraged Mr. Ogle to attend. Public Works Director Grigsby confirmed that the lift station design is underway and the City is acquiring easements. Deputy Mayor Swatman said he supports the extension of sewer services to Eastown, and encouraged property owners to tell their Councilmembers what they want for the area. He said this project will require partnerships between the City and developers and property owners, and they should keep communicating with the City.

C. Correspondence: None.

7:15:42

### III. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Finance Committee: Deputy Mayor Swatman said the committee met at 5:30 p.m. earlier in the evening and discussed options to moor the Police patrol boat and the need for a boat lift. The committee also discussed options for prosecutor's services.
- B. Community Development Committee: Councilmember Rackley said the committee has not met since the last Council Meeting, and will hold a special meeting on February 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. in the City Hall Annex.
- C. Public Safety Committee: Councilmember Hamilton said the committee has not met since the last Council Meeting.
- D. Other Reports: None.

7:17:10

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. **Approval of Corrected Minutes:** February 1, 2011 Council Workshop; and February 8, 2011 Council Meeting.
- B. **Approval of Accounts Payable Checks/Vouchers:** Accounts Payable checks/vouchers #60460 in the amount of \$1,202.71 for 2011 expenses; Accounts Payable checks/vouchers #60461 thru 60487 in the amount of \$125,362.52 for 2010 expenses; Accounts Payable checks/vouchers #60488 thru 60531 in the amount of \$418,148.59 for 2011 expenses; Accounts Payable checks/vouchers #60532 thru 60533 in the amount of \$830.04 for hydrant meter deposit refunds; Accounts Payable checks/vouchers #60534 thru 60535 in the amount of \$1,314.86 for utility refunds; Accounts Payable checks/vouchers #60535 thru 60546 in the amount of \$21,988.47 for 2010 expenses; Accounts Payable checks/vouchers #60547 thru 60579 (including wire transfer's #20211, 2032011, 2042011) in the amount of \$301,983.92 for 2011 expenses; Accounts Payable checks/vouchers #60580 thru 60604 in the amount of \$1,977.25 for utility refunds for a grand total of \$355,332.87.  
VOIDED CHECKS: 60333 – wrong vendor name. Replaced with check number 60534.
- C. **Approval of Payroll:** Payroll for February 1-15th 2011 for checks 29614-29635 including Direct Deposits and Electronic Transfers in the amount of \$ 397,142.25.
- D. **AB11-04 – Ordinance D11-04** – An Ordinance Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington Adding A New Section 5.08.065, Repealing Chapter 8.48, And Adding A New Chapter 8.48 To The Bonney Lake Municipal Code, Relating To False Alarms.
- E. **AB11-05 – Resolution 2092** – A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Authorizing The Mayor To Sign An Agreement With ATB Services To Administer The City's False Alarm Ordinance.
- F. **AB11-17 – Resolution 2098** – A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Authorizing The Mayor To Sign An Agreement With The Washington State Department Of Transportation For Real Estate Services.
- G. **AB11-18 – Resolution 2099** – A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Authorizing The Mayor To Sign An Agreement With Cascade Right Of Way Services LLD For Real Estate Services.
- H. **AB11-30 – Resolution 2105** – A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Authorizing The Mayor To Sign An Agreement With Bonney Lake Community Resources For Operation Of The Bonney Lake Community Garden.

- I. **AB11-31 – Resolution 2106** – A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Adopting An Updated Hazard Mitigation Plan For The City.

**Councilmember Decker moved to approve the Consent Agenda.  
Councilmember Rackley seconded the motion.**

**Consent Agenda approved 7 – 0.**

7:17:19

**V. FINANCE COMMITTEE ISSUES:**

- A. **AB11-29 – Resolution 2104** – A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Amending Resolution No. 2065, Relating To The Annexation Of A Portion Of The CUGA.

**Councilmember Rackley moved to approve Resolution 2104. Councilmember Lewis seconded the motion.**

City Attorney Jim Dionne asked the Council to consider tabling the proposed resolution to the March 1, 2011 Workshop as an action item.

**Councilmember Rackley moved to table Resolution 2104 to the March 1, 2011 Workshop as an action item. Councilmember Lewis seconded the motion.**

**Motion to table approved 7 – 0.**

- B. **AB11-32 – Ordinance 1382 (D11-32)** – An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Amending Chapter 12.12.080 Of The Bonney Lake And Ordinance No. 561 Relating To Establishment Of The Sewer Schedule.

**Councilmember Rackley moved to approve Ordinance 1382. Councilmember Lewis seconded the motion.**

City Administrator Morrison said the proposed ordinance is a ‘housekeeping’ ordinance that clarifies how sewer rates are changed and when people must connect to the sewer system.

**Ordinance 1382 approved 7 – 0.**

**VI. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ISSUES: None**

7:20:05

**VII. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE ISSUES:**

- A. **AB11-24 – Ordinance 1380 (D11-24)** – An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Repealing Chapters 8.20, 8.24, 8.28, 8.32 And 8.40 Of The Bonney Lake Municipal Code And Corresponding

Portions Of Ordinance Nos. 244, 389, 454 And 1338, And Enacting A New Chapter 8.20 Entitled “Public Nuisances.”

**Councilmember Lewis moved to approve Ordinance 1380. Councilmember Carter seconded the motion.**

Councilmember Carter said the proposed ordinance makes it easier to find information on public nuisances by including them in the same area of the code, and allows for stronger code enforcement. Deputy Mayor Swatman thanked the Public Safety Committee for working on these revisions and making the code better for citizens. City Attorney Dionne said a revision to the proposed ordinance was not included in the draft presented for approval. He asked them to consider amending Section 8.20.020 (X) to replace the section with the following language: “Outdoor storage of fuel containers and construction materials, unless screened from view of the adjacent property by a fence, green belt, or wall. Construction materials stored outside for up to 60 days as part of an active construction project are excluded from this provision.”

**Councilmember Lewis moved to amend the Ordinance with the language provided by the City Attorney. Councilmember Carter seconded the motion.**

Councilmember Hamilton said this language was previously reviewed by the Public Safety Committee and is acceptable. Councilmember Decker said he feels this language should be removed from the ordinance. He said property owners should be allowed to have building materials on their property for the entire time that their building permits are active, and should not be required to move or screen them. Councilmember Hamilton said the ordinance does not say people cannot keep building materials on their property, but that they must simply keep them out of public view after a period of time. He said these items can become a detriment to the neighborhood when left in view for long periods of time, and it is important to set standards for all property owners.

**Motion to amend Ordinance 1380 approved 6 – 1.  
Councilmember Decker voted no.**

**Ordinance 1380 approved as amended 6 – 1.  
Councilmember Decker voted no.**

- B. **AB11-25 – Ordinance 1381 (D11-25)** - An Ordinance Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Amending Portions Of Chapters 6.04 And 18.22 Relating To The Regulation Of Animals, Livestock, And Poultry.

**Councilmember Lewis moved to approve Ordinance 1381. Councilmember Carter seconded the motion.**

City Administrator Morrison said he received an email from a resident living in the CUGA that notes that the County code allows for 1 fowl per 1,000 square feet of property, minus the building footprint. He said the proposed ordinance would limit residents to no more than 3 fowl on their property, whereas the County would allow

up to 12 fowl in a 12,000 square foot yard. He said a staff member also suggested that roosters be excluded and not allowed. Councilmember Rackley noted that most homeowner’s associations do not allow livestock, so this will not be an issue for most residents. Councilmember Carter said she has spoken with residents who have had problems with loose chickens damaging yards and causing other issues. She noted that the ordinance also includes important changes to the animal code, including licensing fees and a new ‘pooper scooper’ law.

City Clerk / Administrative Services Director Edvalson noted that the proposed ordinance excludes livestock and poultry from being constituted as a nuisance, which may be problematic. Mayor Johnson said the ordinance could be amended in the future to remove any conflicts.

**Ordinance 1381 approved 7 – 0.**

**VIII. FULL COUNCIL ISSUES:** *None*

- A. ~~AB11-28 Ordinance D11-28~~ An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Approving Ordinance No. D11-12 Providing For An At Large System Of Council Representation.

*This item was tabled to the March 1, 2011 Workshop for discussion during Agenda Modifications.*

**IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION:** *None*

**X. ADJOURNMENT:**

**At 7:38 p.m., Councilmember Lewis moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Rackley seconded the motion.**

**Motion to adjourn approved 7 – 0.**

7:38:36

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Harwood Edvalson, CMC  
City Clerk

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Neil Johnson  
Mayor

Items presented to Council at the February 22, 2011 Meeting: *None.*

City of Bonney Lake, Washington  
**City Council Agenda Bill (AB)**

<b>Department/Staff Contact:</b> Executive / Don Morrison	<b>Meeting/Workshop Date:</b> March 1,	<b>Agenda Bill Number:</b> AB11-28
<b>Agenda Item Type:</b> Motion	<b>Ordinance/Resolution Number:</b> Ord. D11-28	<b>Councilmember Sponsor:</b> Deputy Mayor Swatman

**Agenda Subject:** At-Large System of Council Representation

**Full Title/Motion:** A Motion Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Approving Ordinance No. D11-12 Providing For An At-Large System Of Council Representation.

**Administrative Recommendation:** Approve

**Background Summary:** RCW 35A.12.040 requires councilmembers in Code cities to be elected at-large, unless an ordinance otherwise provides for election by wards. Bonney Lake is one of the few cities in the state in our size range that had otherwise established a ward system. After reviewing the pros and cons of a ward vs. an at-large system of Council representation for several years, the City Council has determined to consider BLMC code amendments that provide for all council position to be elected at large.

**Attachments:** Ordinance D11-12; Pro and Con Sheet

<b>BUDGET INFORMATION</b>			
Budget Amount	Current Balance	Required Expenditure	Budget Balance
<b>Budget Explanation:</b>			

<b>COMMITTEE, BOARD &amp; COMMISSION REVIEW</b>			
<b>Council Committee Review:</b>	<i>Approvals:</i>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Date:	Chair/Councilmember NAME	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Forward to: Workshop	<b>Consent</b>		
	<b>Agenda:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
<b>Commission/Board Review:</b>			
<b>Hearing Examiner Review:</b>			

<b>COUNCIL ACTION</b>	
Workshop Date(s): 2-15-2011	Public Hearing Date(s):
Meeting Date(s):	Tabled to Date:

<b>APPROVALS</b>		
<b>Director:</b>	<b>Mayor:</b>	<b>Date Reviewed by City Attorney:</b> 2-4-11 (if applicable):

**ORDINANCE NO. D11-28**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BONNEY LAKE, PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON, AMENDING CHAPTER 2.04 OF THE BONNEY LAKE MUNICIPAL CODE AND ORDINANCE NO. 1061, AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NOS. 1231 § 2, 1223 § 1, 1118 § 1, 1030 § 1, 923 § 2, 816 § 1, 648 § 1, 556 § 1, AND 388 § 1, RELATING TO CITY COUNCIL REPRESENTATION.**

**WHEREAS**, RCW 35A.12.040 requires councilmembers in Code cities to be elected at-large, unless an ordinance provides for election by wards; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined to abandon the combined at-large/ward system of Council representation in favor of a completely at-large system of Council representation; and

**WHEREAS**, this change requires an amendment to BLMC Chapter 2.04, Council Policies and Procedures, and a repeal of BLMC Chapter 1.12, Ward System.

**NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BONNEY LAKE, WASHINGTON DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** BLMC § 2.04.1060 and Section 1 of Ordinance No. 1061 are hereby amended to read as follows:

**2.04.1060 Number of councilmembers.**

The City of Bonney Lake is a noncharter code city under the laws and statutes of the State of Washington and its city council shall consist of seven members, ~~five of whom shall be elected by wards in addition to two at-large positions.~~ all of whom shall be elected at large.

**Section 2.** BLMC § 2.04.950 and Section 1 of Ordinance No. 1061 are hereby amended to read as follows:

**2.04.950 Correspondence.**

All correspondence received by the council shall be answered in a timely manner. All correspondence or phone calls from citizens received by City Hall regarding policy or legislative issues shall indicate the date received and which department they were referred to for follow up and response. Copies of the information shall be provided to ~~the council member representing the appropriate ward for their information, as well as copies provided to the two at-large councilmembers.~~ all council members.

The city clerk is authorized to open and examine all mail or other written communications addressed to the city council. No mail shall be opened which is addressed to the personal attention of any one member of the council.

**Section 3.** BLMC Chapter 1.12 and Ordinance Nos. 1231 § 2, 1223 § 1, 1118 § 1, 1030 § 1, 923 § 2, 816 § 1, 648 § 1, 556 § 1, and 388 § 1, are hereby repealed in their entirety.

**Section 4.** This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after its passage, approval and publication as required by law.

**PASSED by the City Council and approved by the Mayor this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2011.**

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Neil Johnson, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Harwood T. Edvalson, CMC  
City Clerk

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James J. Dionne, City Attorney

Passed:  
Valid:  
Published:  
Effective Date:

# Ward System Pros and Cons

## ARGUMENTS MADE IN SUPPORT OF A WARD SYSTEM

Wards ensure that city leaders come from every section of the city

Wards give voters the feeling that they have better representation on the city council - that they know who their representative is.

The community feels more connected to its government because of the ward system

It is easier to achieve racial and economic diversity with a ward system.

At-large positions make it easier for candidates with the most name recognition to win.

Election campaign costs are cheaper with wards.

Ensures greater balance of representation for all geographic areas.

Brings politics closer to the people

Requires elected representatives to be more knowledgeable about the needs and concerns of their ward residents.

Councilors represent a more reasonable number of residents than with the at-large system.

Encourages councilors to liaise and consult with neighborhood groups and organizations.

## ARGUMENTS MADE IN SUPPORT OF AN AT-LARGE SYSTEM

The ward system creates “tunnel vision” on the Council since the primary focus is the ward, not the City as a whole.

The ward system creates a fragmented community and detracts from a sense of community and a vision of the community as a whole.

With a ward system, council members can bog down staff and budget processes with requests for special projects or services in their wards.

Ward system accentuates divisions within council.

In ward system residents may have to work with a councilor they do not know or like

Easier for Council member to play NIMBY (Not in my back yard)

Ward system more costly to administer and manage.

Councilors view city needs as a whole from a long-term perspective; most issues affect the city at large

More likely to make balanced decisions, especially with budgets

System promotes the election of the best candidates

Easy to administer and understand

Least costly system to manage

Everyone is accountable for all areas of the city

Councilors focus on city-wide issues and are more strategic in their thinking

Reduces perceived power of ‘ward bosses’

Electors can vote for all councilors and the mayor.

City of Bonney Lake, Washington  
**City Council Agenda Bill (AB)**

<b>Department/Staff Contact:</b> Executive / Don Morrison	<b>Meeting/Workshop Date:</b> March 1,	<b>Agenda Bill Number:</b> AB11-29
<b>Agenda Item Type:</b> Resolution	<b>Ordinance/Resolution Number:</b> 2104	<b>Councilmember Sponsor:</b>

**Agenda Subject:** CUGA Annexation Timeline

**Full Title/Motion:** A Motion Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Amending Resolution No. 2065 And Extending The Timeline For Consideration Of The Proposed Annexation Of A Portion Of The Comprehensive Urban Growth Area (Cuga) Adjacent To The Southern Border Of The City.

**Administrative Recommendation:** Approve

**Background Summary:** On August 10, 2010 the City Council passed Resolution No. 2065, proposing to annex a portion of the Comprehensive Urban Growth Area (CUGA). Section 4 of Resolution No 2065 provided that holding of the proposed annexation election would be contingent upon the Pierce County Boundary Review Board's approval, and the Pierce County Council setting the date for submission of the annexation proposal at a special election anticipated to be held some time between February and May, 2011. Due to the delays in processing the City's Notice of Intent and setting the public hearing, it is no longer possible to meet the 2011 election schedule as intended by Resolution No. 2065. A new timeline should be set in order to assure that the annexation application remains valid.

**Attachments:** Resolution No. 2104

<b>BUDGET INFORMATION</b>			
Budget Amount	Current Balance	Required Expenditure	Budget Balance
<b>Budget Explanation:</b> NA			

<b>COMMITTEE, BOARD &amp; COMMISSION REVIEW</b>											
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<b>COUNCIL ACTION</b>	
Workshop Date(s):	Public Hearing Date(s):
Meeting Date(s):	Tabled to Date:

<b>APPROVALS</b>		
<b>Director:</b>	<b>Mayor:</b>	<b>Date Reviewed by City Attorney:</b> (if applicable):

**RESOLUTION NO. 2104**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BONNEY LAKE, PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2065, RELATING TO THE ANNEXATION OF A PORTION OF THE CUGA.**

**WHEREAS**, on August 10, 2010 the City Council passed Resolution No. 2065, proposing to annex a portion of the Comprehensive Urban Growth Area (CUGA) adjacent to the Southern border of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 4 of Resolution No 2065 provided that holding of the proposed annexation election would be contingent upon the Pierce County Boundary Review Board's approval of the boundary of the proposed annexation, and the Pierce County Council setting the date for submission of the annexation proposal at a special election anticipated to be held some time between February and May, 2011, and

**WHEREAS**, due to delays it is likely no longer possible to meet the 2011 election schedule as intended by Resolution No. 2065; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined to continue processing the Annexation proposal through the Pierce County Boundary Review Board with a revised election schedule;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the City Council of the City of Bonney Lake, Washington hereby resolves as follows:

**Section 1.** Section 4 of Resolution No. 2065 is hereby amended to read as follows:

**Section 4.** The holding of said election shall be contingent upon the Pierce County Boundary Review Board's approval of the boundary of the proposed annexation, and the Pierce County Council setting the date for submission of the annexation proposal at a special election anticipated to be held some time between ~~February and May, 2011~~ August 2011 and April 2012, with an anticipated effective date of January 1, ~~2012~~ 2013 should the annexation be placed on the ballot and subsequently approved by the voters.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this \_\_\_\_\_ day of March, 2011.

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Neil Johnson, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

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Harwood T. Edvalson, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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James J. Dionne, City Attorney