

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
March 12, 1974

The meeting was called to order at 5:06 p.m.

Present on roll call: 7 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, and Warnick. Absent: 2-Sonntag and Mayor Johnston.

The Flag Salute was led by Councilman Warnick.

Deputy Mayor Herrmann announced that because of a lack of a quorum last week, Council would consider the Agenda of March 5, 1974 as the first order of business.

PROCLAMATIONS:

Deputy Mayor Herrmann proclaimed the week of March 18 through March 23, 1974 as "Titan" week in honor of the winning basketball team at Tacoma Community College.

Deputy Mayor Herrmann proclaimed Saturday, March 16, 1974 as "One Day for Scouting".

Mr. Nelson made a motion to suspend the rules to hear a special presentation by Pacific Telephone Company representatives. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mr. Harry Barker, Regional Real Estate Manager for the telephone company, Roger Turppa, District Manager for Pacific Northwest Bell and Tacoma Architect, Jim Harris presented drawings and outlined details for the new telephone company building to be located at 13th and Broadway. They pointed out that the structure should be under construction some time this summer and will be completed by January, 1976.

Deputy Mayor Herrmann read a letter from Mr. Jerry Geehan, Chairman of the Architectural Review Board, pointing out that at its meeting of March 8, 1974, a motion was unanimously passed approving the proposed telephone company building as to its compatibility in the new Tacoma project and recommended enthusiastic acceptance.

Mr. Warnick made a motion, seconded by Mr. Moss, to concur in the recommendation of the Architectural Review Board. Voice vote was taken and carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the meeting of February 26, 1974.

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PETITIONS:

Teco, Inc. requesting the rezoning of the property located on the west side of South Lawrence Street between South 40th and South 43rd Streets from an "R-2" to an "R-4-L" District.

For referral to the Planning Commission.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 22671

Fixing Tuesday, March 26, 1974 at 5:00 p.m. as the date for hearing the request for rezoning the property located in the area between Division Lane and approximately 250 feet south of South 36th Street and between Pacific Avenue and South "D" Street from an "R-3" and "C-1" to an "R-3-TM" and "R-5-TM" District. (Puget Sound Hospital)

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of Tacoma Employees' Retirement System meeting of January 31, 1974.
- b. Minutes of City Planning Commission meeting of February 20, 1974.
- c. Minutes of Public Utility Board meeting of February 13, 1974.
- d. Monthly report, Workload for Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment, January, 1974, Planning Department.
- e. Monthly report, I & R Division, Police Dept, January, 1974.
- f. Quarterly Financial Report, December 31, 1973, Tacoma Industrial Airport.
- g. Department of Emergency Services filing Personnel & Administrative Claim No. 606-74-7(41) for January, 1974.

Mr. Moss moved that all of the items listed on the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 22671, be approved. Seconded by Mrs. Egan. Voice vote was taken and carried.

REGULAR AGENDA

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 20059 Amending Chapter 1.30 of the Official Code relative to Service Retirement.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, and Warnick

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 - Sonntag and Mayor Johnston

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Substitute
Ordinance No. 20060

Amending Section 1.12.220 of the Official Code relative to vacation leave accruals and fixing the effective date as January 1, 1974.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, and Warnick

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 - Sonntag and Mayor Johnston

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20061

Amending Section 1.12.100 of the Official Code relative to mileage allowance.

Deputy Mayor Herrmann made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hudson, that in the last paragraph, line five, the figure should be changed to \$2.00 rather than \$1.50 per day.

Labor Relations Director, Hugh Judd, told the Council that it was the consensus of the City that the increase was reasonable and would result in less cost to the City in the long run.

Voice vote was taken on the amendment and carried.

Roll call was taken on the ordinance as amended, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Moss, Nalley, Nelson and Warnick

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 - Sonntag and Mayor Johnston

The Ordinance as amended was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20062

Appropriating the sum of \$109,880.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Joint County-City Public Health Pooling Fund for certain programs to be administered by the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Moss, Nalley, Nelson and Warnick

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 - Sonntag and Mayor Johnston

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Ordinance No. 20063 Appropriating the sum of \$1,500 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the General Fund for the purpose of financing jointly with Pierce County and Port of Tacoma certain activities of the Pierce County/Tacoma Growth Policy Conference and authorizing the transfer of said sum from the Contingency Fund No. 143 and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Moss, Nalley, Nelson and Warnick

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 - Sonntag and Mayor Johnston

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20064 Authorizing execution of Grant Award Contract with Washington State Law and Justice Planning Office for Grant Award No. 1214 and appropriating the sum of \$48,897 or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purpose of continuing the "PACIFIC II" Project.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Moss, Nalley, Nelson and Warnick

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 - Sonntag and Mayor Johnston

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20066 Approving and confirming the assessment roll for LID 3727 for sanitary sewers on South Trafton Street from South 70th to 72nd; alley between South Wapato Street and South Trafton from South 72nd approximately 300 feet north and other nearby streets.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Moss, Nalley, Nelson and Warnick

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 - Sonntag and Mayor Johnston

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20067 Approving and confirming the assessment roll for LID 3736 for sanitary sewers in Orchard Street from approximately 700 feet north of South 48th Street northward approximately 4,300 feet.

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Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Moss, Nalley, Nelson and Warnick

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 - Sonntag and Mayor Johnston

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 20068 Appropriating \$400,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Sewer Utility Fund for use as City participation in sewer L.I.D.'s and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance.

Mr. Phillip Ringrose of the Public Works Department explained to the Council that the greater demand for L.I.D.'s in northeast Tacoma had precipitated the ordinance. He said normally \$100,000 would be allotted to the City's L.I.D. Participation Fund, but the increase was necessary and will be taken from undistributed funds held in reserve within the utility which are set aside for resolving these types of problems.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 20069 Amending Title 6 of the Official Code to set the age of majority at eighteen years.

The ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 20070 Authorizing the proper officers of the City to enter into an agreement between the City and Mile "B" Water & Power Company for acquisition and maintenance of water distribution system.

Former Water Department Superintendent, Henry Baarslag, spoke before Council, indicating that even though he was retired he felt he should appear before Council to explain some of the background which spans some 16 years. He stated the City has been serving the Mile "B" Water & Power Company since 1928 and it presently has some 150 customers. He stated that all the steps and procedures have been completed by the company and that he recommended approval before the Council. He stated the agreement would result in increased revenue to the City in the amount of approximately \$3,000 annually.

Mr. Jim Clowers, President of the Mile "B" Water & Power Company, urged Council passage of the ordinance.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 22672 Authorizing the proper City officials to release a portion of the Cowlitz transmission line right-of-way.

Mr. Warnick moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Egan. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22673 Authorizing the purchase of property adjacent to the Union Substation located on South 13th Street for the sum of \$9,300.00.

Mrs. Egan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Moss. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22674 Authorizing the sale of six used transformers to General Metals of Tacoma, Inc. on their bid of \$24,000.00.

Mr. Warnick moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Egan. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22675 Authorizing execution of an amended agreement with the Tacoma Art Museum relative to video presentations.

Mr. Hudson moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Nelson. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22676 Authorizing the purchase of petroleum products on the open market in accordance with rules and regulations established by the Federal Energy Office and Mandatory Allotment Program for calendar year 1974 and waiving bidding requirements.

Mrs. Egan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22677 Authorizing settlement of claim of Ronnie E. and Sander A. Barker in the sum of \$750.00.

Mr. Warnick moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22678 Authorizing sale of certain L.I. Guaranty Fund property located near North 31st and Puget Sound to the Metropolitan Park District for the sum of \$86.66.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22679 Awarding contract to T W Communications Corporation on its bid of \$30,088.57 for furnishing copper cable.

Mrs. Egan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

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Resolution No. 22680 Awarding contract to Caldwell Machinery Company, Inc. on its bid of \$9,093.97 for furnishing seven (7) hydraulic tailgate spreader sanders.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22681 Authorizing the execution of an agreement between the City of Tacoma and District Lodge #160 on behalf of Local Lodge #297 and Local Lodge #1152 of the IAM and AW.

Mrs. Egan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Hudson.

Mrs. Egan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hudson, to amend the resolution to incorporate the corrected signature page as submitted to Council under date of March 12, 1974 to properly identify the title of one of the unions on the document. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mr. Warnick made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Egan, to amend Appendix A of the Resolution, a corrected copy of which was submitted to Council noting the exclusion of employees of the Transit Division. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Voice vote was taken on the amended Resolution and carried. The Resolution as amended was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22682 Authorizing the purchase of "EMIT" System equipment from Syva Corporation for the sum of \$6,400.00.

Mrs. Egan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Warnick.

Herb Kuzniczki, Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department, explained that the new system would allow the department to maintain its own testing equipment with relation to its methadone maintenance program at a greatly less cost than its now incurring.

Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22683 Authorizing the proper officers of the City to schedule and arrange appropriate formal dedication of Marshall McCormick Parks.

Mrs. Egan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22684 Authorizing the acceptance and execution of a less-than-fee conveyance of an interest in real property and easement for demolition and removal of such property within the Hilltop Neighborhood Development Project Wash A-3.

Mr. Warnick moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22685 Authorizing the filing of an amendatory application for loan and grant contract No. Wash. R-14 (LG) with the U. S. of America.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

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Mrs. Egan made a motion to suspend the rules to consider Resolution 22701. Seconded by Mr. Moss. Voice vote was taken and carried and the rules were suspended.

City Clerk, Bud Bond, then read the resolution, which authorizes the proper officers of the City to file an application with the Washington Commission for the Humanities for a grant of approximately \$13,950 to fund an educational program involving video taped interviews with senior citizens.

Mr. Mel Jackson, Director of the Human Development Department, explained that knowledge of these funds just became available and that it would behoove the City to move quickly to acquire the funds for this senior citizen program.

Mrs. Egan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Warnick, to adopt the resolution. Deputy Mayor Herrmann, because of the nature of the request for an application, passed the resolution over for final reading for the Council meeting of March 19, 1974.

Still under the suspension of rules, Mr. Moss made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Egan, that the proper City officers be authorized to make an application for action grant funds in connection with a program for the Youth Services Bureau within the Human Development Department and requested that the two week waiting period be waived and declaring an emergency for its passage tonight.

Mel Jackson explained once again that the City could conceivably obtain grant monies of upwards of \$20,000 but that the application does have to be submitted prior to March 15, 1974 to take advantage of the monies which appear to be available.

Voice vote was taken on the motion and carried. The motion was declared passed.

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The Agenda of March 5, 1974 having been completed, the Council then proceeded with the Agenda of March 12, 1974.

C O N S E N T A G E N D A

Approval of the minutes of the meeting of March 5, 1974.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 22686 Fixing Monday, April 8, 1974 at 4:00 p.m. as the date for hearing L.I.D. 5542 for water main and fire hydrant in South 81st from Ainsworth Avenue east 290 feet more or less, to Cushman Avenue.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of Civil Service Board meetings of January 21 and February 4, 1974.
- b. Minutes of Metropolitan Development Council Board of Trustees meeting of February 15, 1974.
- c. Minutes of Human Relations Commission meeting of February 21, 1974.
- d. Minutes of Board of Park Commissioners meeting of February 25, 1974.

- e. Minutes of Model Cities Program Land Use Review Board meetings of February 25 and March 4, 1974.
- f. Monthly report, purchases and sales of investments during February, 1974, Tacoma Employees' Retirement System.
- g. Monthly report, January, 1974, Fire Department.
- h. Monthly report, December, 1973 and January, 1974, Personnel Department.
- i. Monthly report, February, 1974, towing.

Mr. Nelson moved that all of the items listed on the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 22686, be approved. Seconded by Mr. Moss. Voice vote was taken and carried. The items were declared approved.

REGULAR AGENDA

COMMUNICATIONS:

Shoreline Management Permit Application - Storm Outfall - American Smelting and Refining Company.

The City Council instructed the Planning Department to forward the application to the State Department of Ecology.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 20071 Amending Sections 13.10.080 and 13.10.090 of the Official Code relative to Shoreline Management.

Mrs. Egan advised that the amendment to the Shoreline Management Chapter of the Zoning Ordinance would change the procedures necessary for a full hearing and review by the Council.

The ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 20072 Amending Section 1.12.450 of the Official Code relative to Special Stadium and Convention Center Fund.

Odd A. Lund, Personnel Director, advised that the position was requested by the Director of Public Utilities as being necessary for the construction of Pipeline #5.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 20073 Amending Section 6.88.040 of the Official Code relative to Special Stadium and Convention Center Fund.

Robert Hamilton, City Attorney, advised that the amendment will bring the City Code in compliance with recent laws passed by the State Legislature.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

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Ordinance No. 20074 Appropriating the sum of \$10,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Stadium Trust Fund Account No. 640 for the purpose of paying the cost of preliminary design contract for a multi-use public assembly facility.

Gary Sullivan, Director of Urban Renewal, reviewed the reasons for the requested \$10,000, and answered questions of Council.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 22670 Second Reading
 Authorizing the proper officers of the City to make application to the Washington State Planning and Community Affairs Agency for Law Enforcement funds in the amount of \$101,520.00 for continuation of the project operated by the Progress House Association.

Motion to adopt was made at the previous meeting. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22687 Authorizing execution of lease agreement with The Miles Corporation for office space at 622 Tacoma Avenue South for the sum of \$1,086.17 per month.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried. The resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22688 Authorizing sale of certain property located on the southwest corner of East 27th and East "C" Streets to Cecil and Mary McKean for the sum of \$300.00.

Mrs. Egan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22689 Authorizing execution of agreement with the Tacoma Civic Ballet for original dance work set to certain music at a cost of \$2,400.00.

Mr. Warnick moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22690 Authorizing the proper officers of the City to file an application with the National Science Foundation for a federal grant to study the imposition of costs of operating the Fire Department.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Warnick.

Deputy Mayor Herrmann announced that in accordance with Rules adopted by Council, the resolution would be set over for second reading next week.

The Resolution was set over for second reading on March 19, 1974.

Resolution No. 22691 Authorizing execution of City of Tacoma Labor-Management Master Agreement.

Hugh Judd, Labor Relations Director, asked that the Resolution be continued for two weeks.

Mr. Moss moved that the Resolution be continued for two weeks. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was continued to March 26, 1974.

Resolution No. 22692 Authorizing execution of agreement with Professional and Technical Engineers Association Local #17 for year 1974.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Egan. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mrs. Egan moved to substitute the corrected signature page and corrected Appendix A in place of the two pages in the agenda. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mr. Joe Fortier, 7426 South Prospect, urged adoption of the Resolution.

Voice vote was taken and carried. The amended resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22693 Authorizing execution of amendment to agreement with Pierce County and Tacoma City Employees Local #120 for year 1974.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22694 Authorizing execution of amendment to agreement with the Municipal Authority to add \$10,021.02 for housing rehabilitation loans and grants.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22695 Authorizing execution of amendment to agreement with Tacoma Urban League to add \$7,975.00 to the Housing Development Program.

Mrs. Egan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Nelson. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22696 Rejecting all bids on W. O. No. 57945 for residential street lighting within the Urban Renewal Area Wash A-3 as the low bidder exceeded the Engineer's estimate by more than 10%.

Mr. Moss moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Egan. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22697 Authorizing execution of an agreement with Robert Billsbrough Price & Associates for certain consulting and design services relative to a multi-use public assembly facility.

Mr. Warnick moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Hudson.

Kenneth Swanson, 1417 South Durango, inquired as to whether the proposal would be similar to the Civic Center Bond Issue. He was advised the facility was not the same as the proposed Civic Center.

Voice vote was taken and carried, with Mr. Nalley dissenting. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22698 Amending Agreement of Sale between William B. and Lillian C. Swensen and the City of Tacoma relative to sale of certain property in Wash. R-14.

Mr. Moss moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Egan. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22699 Authorizing execution of contract with Sitts and Hill Engineers, Inc. for certain services relative to property at southeast corner of 11th and Market Streets in Wash. R-14 not to exceed the sum of \$12,900.00 and waiving the sealed bid requirement.

Mrs. Egan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22700 Awarding contract to General Mechanical, Inc. on its bid of \$32,044.95 for W. O. 91527, improvements to the Fircrest Pump Station.

Mr. Hudson moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Egan. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- a. (Continued from the meeting of February 26, 1974)
Rules and regulations governing the operation of ambulances, attendants and paramedics.

Mrs. Egan moved that on page 14 of the proposed rules and regulations, wherever the word "may" appears it be changed to the word "shall". Seconded by Mr. Moss. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Jack Cvitanovic, Program Coordinator of the Emergency Medical Services, answered questions of Council and confirmed there were no changes in the rules and regulations from those presented to Council at the last hearing, other than a few grammatical corrections. It was also confirmed that the proposed change by the ambulance companies at the last meeting was not included in the regulations.

Clarence Clark, representing Yellow Ambulance of Tacoma, requested that Council incorporate into Section VII the amendment he had proposed at the last

hearing regarding posting of ambulance rates as follows: "All licensed Ambulance Companies must post and file their current ambulance rates with the City Manager. Ambulance Companies will be authorized to charge for medical services rendered on the scene. Ambulance Companies will be authorized to charge full posted fare for each stretcher patient, and one-half posted fare for each ambulatory patient. Any change in rates must be posted and filed with the City Manager thirty days in advance of effective date."

Mr. Warnick moved that Mr. Clark's amendment be inserted in the regulations as a substitute to paragraph VII on ambulance rates. The motion failed for lack of a second.

John Zelenak, 5407 South "J" Street, also spoke.

After further discussion, Mr. Moss moved that the proposed rules and regulations relating to the operation of ambulances, attendants and paramedics be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Nelson. Voice vote was taken and carried.

- b. This is the date set for hearing Zoning Ordinance Text Changes to add a definition of "three-family dwelling" and modify the definition of "multiple family dwelling".

Russell Buehler, Planning Department Director, answered questions of Council.

Mr. Nelson moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Seconded by Mrs. Egan. Voice vote was taken and carried.

- c. This is the date set for hearing Paul M. Schwebke's appeal on the Planning Commission's denial of his request for rezoning the northwest corner of South 45th and Warner Streets from an "R-3" to an "R-4-1" District.

Mr. Paul Schwebke, petitioner, described his proposed apartment complex development and displayed photographs of the area and sketches of proposed plans. He also submitted photos of a building he has already constructed at another location and now proposes to build on this site.

Mr. Warnick moved to overrule the decision of the Planning Commission and grant the rezone. Seconded by Mr. Hudson.

Speaking against the rezone was Norman Cox, representing Edith Cox, whose property adjoins Mr. Schwebke's property.

After discussion, it was determined the petitioner has changed his proposal since presenting it to the Planning Commission and that the matter should be referred back to the Planning Commission for review.

Mr. Warnick withdrew his motion to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission.

Mr. Moss moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Seconded by Mr. Nalley. Roll call was taken resulting as follows:

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Ayes: 3 - Egan, Moss, Nalley

Nays: 4 - Hudson, Nelson, Warnick and Deputy Mayor Herrmann

Absent: 2 - Sonntag and Mayor Johnston

The motion was declared lost.

Mr. Warnick then moved to refer the request back to the Planning Commission.
Seconded by Mr. Nelson.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Egan, Hudson, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, Warnick and Deputy Mayor Herrmann

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 - Sonntag and Mayor Johnston

The rezone request was referred back to the Planning Commission.

COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Mr. Nelson read a communication he had forwarded to Mr. Donaldson regarding the senior citizens eligibility process for transit passes. He felt the use of medicare cards instead of the present method used in applying for the transit pass at the County-City Building would be more convenient to the Senior Citizens. He asked the City Manager to check with the Transportation Director for feasibility of the proposal.

Deputy Mayor Herrmann reported that he had visited the Old City Hall with the principals of the development. He reported on all of the shops being installed and advised that Open House will be on the day of the Daffodil Parade; however, September 1st is scheduled to be the opening day for business at the building.

Mr. Warnick reported on his recent trip to Washington D. C. to attend the convention of cities and felt the City should be coordinating many of its efforts with the Association of Washington Cities as far as legislation is concerned so they will be better informed of our needs.

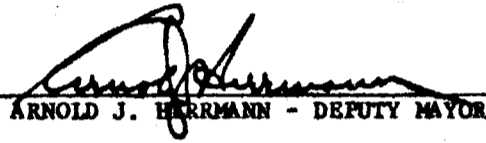
CITIZENS REQUEST TO BE HEARD:

Ms. Tillie S. Ruiz, liasion for the Housing Issue Group of MDC, addressed the Council regarding needs of low income people relative to housing. She advised of government houses lying vacant and requested the City Council to find a way to release these houses for use by citizens who need proper housing.

Also speaking on the subject were: Mark Rogner, 404 North "I" Street;
Bruce Garbar, 115 North Yakima Avenue; Nellie L. Ryan, 2216 North Proctor;
Jerry Carter; Celeste Hanson, 812 South Ainsworth; Maria May, 8317 South Sheridan;
Alvin S. Hart, 1745 South Cushman.

On Mrs. May's request that the City obtain approval of the Federal Government to use these houses under the Urban Homestead Act, Mr. Donaldson advised that on February 19, 1974 he had written to the Department of Housing Development for information on this subject. He reported that to date he has not received a reply. Mr. Donaldson was instructed to contact HUD again regarding the release of these homes and to keep Mrs. Ruiz and the Housing Issue Group informed of the progress.

On proper motion, the meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.


ARNOLD J. HERRMANN - DEPUTY MAYOR

ATTEST: 
H. B. BOND - CITY CLERK