

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers. 4:00 P. M.
Tuesday, November 27, 1962

Council met in regular session. Present on roll call 8: Bott, Finnigan, Haley, Herrmann, Murtland, Price, Steels and Mayor Tollefson. Absent 1: Cvitanich. Mr. Cvitanich arrived at 4:30 P. M.

Mrs. Price moved that the minutes of November 13, 1962 be approved as submitted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Presentation of Safe Driver Awards to personnel from the Fire & Police Departments.

Mayor Tollefson and Mr. Rowlands presented safe driving awards to Leslie Hanson of the Fire Dept., Forrest Kibbe, Kenneth Roach of the Police Dept. for 20 years of safe driving while employed with the City.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, said the City's safe driving program is paying dividends.

HEARINGS & APPEALS:

This is the date set for hearing on the appeal filed by Arthur Munson on the denial for his request for the rezoning of property located on the west side of Yakima Ave. between So. 46th & 48th Sts. from an "R-2" to a "C-1" District.

Mr. Buehler, Director of Planning, explained this request is for the rezoning of property located at the west side of Yakima Ave. between So. 46th and So. 48th Streets. The applicant wishes to construct a service station at this location. The Planning Commission has recommended denial of the petition for the reason the City desires the site for a Fire Station. This is recommended in the Capital Improvement Program for the year 1964. Mr. Buehler added, this is the third time Mr. Munson has requested this rezoning.

Mr. Jacques, Attorney representing Mr. Munson, stated the property is located on a triangle and does not blend itself to residential purposes, but would be ideal for a service station. If the property is to be used for a Fire Station, this would be agreeable to the owner, however, if it is only a supposition, then it would be an injustice to his client, he added.

Mrs. Price moved that the City Council concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission with the stipulation that if the City did not purchase the property for a Fire Station, then Mr. Munson could petition again for the rezoning at no additional cost to him. Seconded by Mr. Finnigan. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:**Resolution No. 17253:**

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute a local improvement assessment deed to T. O. Overland for property located near So. 11th on Tyler Street for the sum of \$25.00.

Mr. Steele moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Price. Voice vote taken on the Resolution.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:**Ordinance No. 17213:**

Amending Sec. 1.24.870 of the Official Code of the City relating to-Leave of Absence without Pay.

Roll call was taken on the Ordinance resulting as follows:

Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

The Ordinance was then declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 17214:

Authorizing the condemnation of property near the intersection of Narrows Drive and the City of Tacoma's Cushman Steel Tower Transmission Line for the purpose of constructing, operating and maintaining the Scenic Distribution Substation.

Roll call was taken on the Ordinance resulting as follows:

Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

The Ordinance was then declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 17215:

Amending Chapter 5.23 of the Official Code of the City and adding (3) new Sections--providing for the control of wild animals in the City limits of Tacoma.

Mr. Rowlands explained at last week's meeting, it was suggested that the Manager's staff meet with Dr. Johnson regarding certain provisions of the Ordinance. He said a compromise has been worked out with Dr. Johnson by deleting the phrase in Sec. 5.23.025-7th line down, "any animal of wild or vicious or dangerous propensities" which has been included in the original draft; also an amendment was made in Sec. 5.23.027-2nd line from the bottom of the paragraph by adding, after the word circus, "or in connection with any program of medical or scientific research."

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Mr. Steele moved that the Ordinance be amended to incorporate these changes. Secended by Mrs. Price. Voice vote taken on the amendments. Motion carried.

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

Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

The Ordinance was then declared passed by the Chairman.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Personnel report for the month of October 1962.**
- b. Tacoma Police Dept. report for the month of October 1962.**
- c. Finance Director's report for the month of October 1962.**

COMMENTS:

Mr. Rowlands said the Council members are invited to attend the annual meeting of the Puget Sound Regional Planning Council of the Puget Sound Governmental Conference. This meeting will be held in Seattle on Dec. 12th, 1962. He asked that the Council members notify his office if they wish to attend so that reservations can be made.

Mr. Rowlands stated there is an emergency meeting of the Legislative and Defense Conference scheduled by the Association of Washington Cities in Olympia, Wednesday, November 28th, 1962. Matters to be discussed will be financial problems of the Cities, the Police and Firemen retirement program, Urban area government and other matters.

Mayor Tollefson asked how many of the Council members could attend as this will be a very important meeting. He said he would especially like for the members to at least attend that portion of the meeting having to do with the Weinberg report regarding Police and Fire pensions, as they would direct their vote one way or another to the Executive Board and he would like to have the thinking of the Council.

Mr. Bott said, Tacoma is allowed two votes. He asked if they should select two delegates from the Council tonight.

Mayor Tollefson appointed Mrs. Price and Mr. Steele as delegates inasmuch as they indicated they would attend the meeting.

Mr. Bott moved that Mrs. Price and Mr. Steele be sent as delegates. Secended by Mayor Tollefson. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Mr. Murtland brought up that something should be done with the draining system at the Sperry Tunnel. He asked if the City could request that something be done to clean up the debris. He felt the City has a moral obligation

to take some corrective action to see that this is cleaned up.

Mr. Rowlands said this matter has been discussed for a number of years. The right-of-way is owned by the N. P. Railway Co. which is charged with keeping the roadway open and maintained. He stated he would look into the matter and have a report in a week or ten days.

There being no further business to come before the Council, upon motion duly seconded and passed, the meeting adjourned at 5:00 P. M.


Mayor of the City Council

Attest: 
City Clerk