

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
October 28, 1975

The meeting was called to order at 5:04 p.m.

Present on roll call: 7 - Egan, Hudson, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick, and Mayor Johnston. Absent: 1 - Dr. Herrmann. (One Council Vacancy)

The Flag Salute was led by Mr. Hudson.

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

Approval of the minutes of the meeting of October 21, 1975.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 23596 Fixing Tuesday, November 25, 1975 at 9:00 a.m. as the date for hearing by the Hearings Examiner the request for vacation of North 45th Street from the west line of Frace Street westerly to the east line of Lexington Street. (Robert L. Hoover)

ASSESSMENT ROLLS:

The Director of Public Works presents the Assessment Roll for the following:

LID 3748 - sanitary sewers in East 72nd Street from approximately 200 feet east of Portland Avenue, east 170 feet and from Homestead Circle to easement north of East 72nd Street, lying east of East "T" Street.

LID 8040 - permanent paving on South Madison from 6th Avenue to South 12th; South 7th from South Monroe to South Tyler; South Grant Avenue from South 25th to South 27th Street; also storm drains only in South 27th from South Grant Avenue to South Sheridan Avenue.

LID 8043 - permanent paving on East 66th Street from East "I" to 120 feet more or less east of East "J"; East "J" from East 66th to East 68th Street; also storm sewer only in East 68th from East "J" to East "M" Street.

Fixing Monday, November 24, 1975 at 4:00 p.m. as the date for hearing.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of Civil Service Board meeting of October 6, 1975.
- b. Minutes of Public Utility Board meeting of October 8, 1975.
- c. Minutes of Pierce County Commissioners meeting of October 20, 1975.
- d. Monthly report, Tacoma/Pierce County Humane Society & SPCA, September, 1975.

- e. Monthly report, Director of Finance, September, 1975.
- f. Monthly report, September, 1975, Traffic Division, Police Dept.
- g. Monthly report, September, 1975, Personnel Department.

Mr. Nelson moved that all of the items listed on the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 23596 be approved. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The items were declared approved.

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PROCLAMATIONS:

Mayor Johnston declared the week of November 3 through 9, 1975 as "Freedom Train Week" and called upon the citizens of Tacoma to participate in the visit of the train at North Fort Lewis. He introduced John Jarstad, Director of the Bicentennial Commission, who invited Council members to a preview of the train, and introduced John L. Steenhoven, Field Director of the National American Freedom Train.

Mayor Johnston proclaimed Tuesday, October 28, 1975 as "Earl Anthony Day" in honor of his becoming the first bowler in history to win \$100,000 in a single season and because of his seventh tour victory this year, setting a PBA record.

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REGULAR AGENDA

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 20570 Appropriating the sum of \$474.72, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the General Fund, for the purpose of making final payment under a 1974 contract with the Tacoma Housing Authority under the Summer Recreation Program, and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Mr. Sonntag moved to continue the Ordinance for one week. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Roll call vote was taken resulting in Ayes: 3 - Nelson, Sonntag and Warnick. Nays: 4 - Egan, Hudson, Nalley and Mayor Johnston. Absent: 1 - Dr. Hermann (One Council Vacancy) The motion was declared failed.

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

Ayes: 5 - Egan, Hudson, Nalley, Warnick and Mayor Johnston

Nays: 2 - Nelson and Sonntag

Absent: 1 - Dr. Hermann (one council vacancy)

The Ordinance was declared failed, as six affirmative votes are necessary for passage of an emergency ordinance.

Mrs. Egan changed her vote to nay in order to be on the prevailing side so she could ask for reconsideration on the vote next week.

Ordinance No. 20574 Amending Chapter 1.06 of the Official Code to add industrial insurance for volunteer workers.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Egan, Hudson, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick and Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Dr. Herrmann (One Council Vacancy)

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20575 Amending Chapter 14.06 of the Official Code to eliminate the requirement of confirmation of bid awards by the Dept. of Housing and Urban Development.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Egan, Hudson, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick and Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Dr. Herrmann (One Council Vacancy)

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20576 Appropriating the sum of \$15,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the Vacated City Right-of-Way Property Trust Fund for the purpose of construction of certain beautification and open space improvements in conjunction with Firemen's Park.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Egan, Hudson, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick and Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Dr. Herrmann (One Council Vacancy)

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20578 Amending the Pay and Compensation Plan to add the position of Waterfront Development Manager.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 6 - Egan, Hudson, Nalley, Sonntag, Warnick and Mayor Johnston

Nays: 1 - Nelson

Absent: 1 - Dr. Herrmann (One Council Vacancy)

The Ordinance was declared passed.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 20579 Amending Chapter 1.06 of the Official Code relative to assignment of evidentiary hearings on appeals to the Hearings Examiner and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 23591 (Continued from the meeting of October 21st)

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute an agreement with the Metropolitan Park District to administer and implement the Stewart Heights Park Improvement Project.

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

Resolution No. 23597 Establishing Council policy of support for a Tacoma/Pierce County Minidome Stadium and for the establishment of an appropriate citizen's review and advisory committee.

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

Purchase Resolution No. 23598 Awarding contracts to Hanson Excavating Company on its bid of \$120,827.70 for Work Order 91156 Unit B - sanitary sewer replacement and to Woodworth & Company, Inc. on its bid of \$21,750.00 for Improvement 3730 - gravel pit holding basin outlet structure.

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

Resolution No. 23599 Authorizing a 90 day trial period of parking violations validation program.

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

Rohn Burgess, Executive Vice President of the Downtown Tacoma Association, spoke on behalf of the Downtown businessmen and reviewed the proposed validation program and urged adoption of the trial period.

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

Resolution No. 23600 Authorizing application to the National Endowment for the Arts for a "City Scale" grant.

Mr. Hudson 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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COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Mayor Johnston declared Saturday, November 1, 1975 as "John Heinrich Day" in recognition of his 50 years as a coach and teacher during which he has made tremendous contributions to the life of this community.

Mayor Johnston commented on the fact that next Tuesday is election day, and he moved that next week's City Council meeting be set for Wednesday, November 5, 1975 at 5:00 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mayor Johnston referred to a letter he received from Catherine Haley, President of Allied Arts, with respect to the tax which was levied on the "Home Tour." They asked that they be granted a waiver of the tax as had been afforded certain other projects of community benefit. Mayor Johnston moved that the tax be waived. Seconded by Mr. Nalley. Mr. Warnick felt a tax waiver would be setting a precedent. Mrs. Egan said she would be in favor of an ordinance which would allow a tax waiver for certain kinds of activities, but would not be in favor of a retroactive tax waiver.


Roll call vote on the motion was taken resulting in ayes: 3 - Nalley, Nelson and Mayor Johnston. Nays: 4 - Egan, Hudson, Sonntag and Warnick. Absent: 1 - Dr. Herrmann. (One Council Vacancy) The motion was declared failed.

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CITIZENS REQUESTS TO BE HEARD:

Mr. Leon C. Johnson, of the Teamsters Old Timers Club No. 1, presented to Council a proposal for reduced utility rates for certain low income elderly and handicapped residents. He urged the Council to adopt a favorable ordinance. Also speaking on behalf of the proposal was Mr. Harry Westney, President of the Retail Clerks Retirement Club.

On proper motion, the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.



GORDON N. JOHNSTON - MAYOR

ATTEST: 

H. B. BOND - CITY CLERK