

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
December 26, 1973

The meeting was called to order at 7:28 p.m.

Present on roll call: 9 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Jarstad, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag and Mayor Johnston. Absent: 0

The Flag Salute was led by Councilman Moss.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of December 18, 1973.

PETITIONS:

JOSEPH T. TENCICH requesting the rezoning of the property located on the south side of North 26th Street between Washington and Adams Street from an "R-2" to an "R-4" District.

For referral to the Planning Commission.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 22554 Fixing Monday, January 28, 1974 at 4:00 p.m. as the date for hearing L.I.D. 6942 for street lighting on South Prospect from South 17th to South 19th Streets.

Resolution No. 22555 Fixing Tuesday, January 8, 1974 at 7:00 p.m. as the date for hearing on the Master Program for Shoreline Development.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of the Tacoma Public Library Board of Trustees regular meeting of November 20, 1973.
- b. Minutes of Metropolitan Development Council Board of Trustees special meeting of December 3, 1973.
- c. Minutes of regular meeting of Board of Park Commissioners, December 10, 1973.
- d. Monthly Report, Tacoma-Pierce County Humane Society, November, 1973.

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- e. Monthly Report, Personnel Department, September, 1973.
- f. Public Works Department filing Pre-Application Addendum for Facility Planning Grant, Central Sewage Treatment Plant Expansion.
- f. Public Works Department filing aging schedule for various Urban Renewal Arterial Projects.

Mr. Hudson moved that all of the items listed on the Consent Agenda, including Resolutions 22554 and 22555, be approved. Seconded by Mr. Nelson. Voice vote was taken and carried. The items were declared approved.

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REGULAR AGENDA

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 20014 Appropriating \$127,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Federal Shared Revenue Fund for the purpose of establishing and operating a Tacoma Veterans Action Center to be administered by the Human Development Department.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Jarstad, Moss, Nelson, Sonntag and Mayor Johnston.

Nays: 1 - Nalley

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20019 Amending Section 13.06.375 and subsection 3 of Section 13.06.470 of the Official Code relative to extension of existing cemeteries and processing times for rezone applications.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Jarstad, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag and Mayor Johnston.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20020 Appropriating the sum of \$42,251.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purpose of making cash payments to members of the uniformed services of the City of Tacoma in lieu of dependent medical coverage for the year 1973 and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Jarstad, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag and Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20021

Appropriating the sum of \$708,055.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Light Division Current Fund No. 470 to pay increased maintenance and operation costs for the year 1973, and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Jarstad, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag and Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20023

Appropriating the sum of \$65,534.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Federal Shared Revenue Fund No. 199 for necessary pension benefits of Police Relief and Pension Fund, authorizing the transfer thereof to Police Pension Fund 612 the sum of \$65,534.00 and declaring an emergency that this ordinance shall take effect immediately after publication.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Jarstad, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag and Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20024

Appropriating the sum of \$91,621.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Federal Shared Revenue Fund No. 199 for the purpose of providing necessary funds to pay pension benefits of Firemen's Relief and Pension Fund No. 615, authorizing transfer thereof to Firemen's Pension Fund No. 615 and declaring an emergency that this ordinance shall take effect immediately after publication.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Jarstad, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag and Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20025 Adopting the Annual Budget of the City of Tacoma for the fiscal year 1974 and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Jarstad, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag and Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20026 Amending and adopting the pay and compensation plan to be effective January 1, 1974 and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Odd Lund, Personnel Director, presented for consideration six revised pages to the Ordinance, which reflect a minimum increase of 6.5 percent in the Compensation Plan, including the clericals, returned the Data Processing Group to their 1973 rate, thus allowing for negotiations, and reflects the settlement made with Building Services No. 38.

Dr. Herrmann moved that Section 8 be amended as reflected on substitute pages 6, 7, 8, 9, 23 and 25. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote was taken and carried.

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

Ayes: 9 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Jarstad, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag and Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

The Ordinance as amended was declared passed.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 20027 Amending Section 1.18.040 and repealing Section 1.12.645 of the Official Code relative to increase of Mayor's salary to \$18,000.00 per year.

Mayor Johnston requested Deputy Mayor Jarstad to chair the meeting while he be excused during discussion of this ordinance.

Mr. Sonntag explained the reasons he proposed a salary increase for the Mayor.

Bill Donaldson, City Manager, explained the changes in the Mayor's role.

Dr. Herrmann felt a salary increase for the Mayor should be considered at a later date since the increase would not be effective until the next election, which is two years away.

Mr. Hamilton advised that the amendment to the Charter changing the term of office of the Mayor to four years became effective upon certification of the September election making Mayor Johnston's term four years.

Dr. Herrmann moved to remove the ordinance from the Agenda. The motion failed for lack of a second.

On further question of Dr. Herrmann, Mr. Hamilton advised that the subject of whether the Mayor could receive the increase in salary starting January 14, 1974 is being studied and an opinion would be submitted to Council by next week's meeting.

Mrs. Egan moved to amend the ordinance fixing the salary at \$15,000. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag.

After further discussion, Mr. Moss moved to continue first reading of the ordinance for one week. Seconded by Mr. Jarstad. Voice vote was taken and the motion was declared failed.

Mr. Hudson suggested that Mr. Donaldson provide Council with more information as to how the City would benefit in increasing the Mayor's salary and paying for a full-time Mayor. Mr. Hudson moved to continue the ordinance to the third week in January. The motion failed for lack of a second.

Mr. Sonntag withdrew his seconding motion to the motion made by Mrs. Egan to fix the salary at \$15,000.

Tony Passanante, 3406 North 11th, felt it would not be proper to take action until a determination has been made whether the Mayor's term is for two or four years.

Also speaking were John C. Frai, 1423 South 43rd and David Genets, 907 South Regents Street.

After further discussion, Mr. Hamilton said he would submit an opinion on the term of office.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 22556 Authorizing execution of agreement with City Association of Colored Women's Clubs, Inc. for leasing of premises at 2316 South Yakima Avenue for senior citizens project to be administered by the Dept. of Human Development.

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

Resolution No. 22557 Authorizing execution of agreement with City Association of Colored Women's Clubs, Inc. for the furnishing of hot lunches to senior citizens at the 2316 South Yakima Avenue Senior Citizens Center.

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. 22558 Awarding contract to Irwin-Hones Motor Company, Inc. on its bid of \$44,509.37 for furnishing of three cabs and chassis.

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

Resolution No. 22559 Awarding contract to LeRoy D. Holmes d/b/a Center Dozing on his bid of \$27,592.91 for demolition of buildings and site cleanup at 1301 and 1353 Market Street in Urban Renewal Project Wash. R-14.

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

Gary Sullivan, Urban Renewal Department Director, explained that the low bidder submitted a faulty bid bond and the City Attorney's Office has advised that this can be waived by Council.

Bob Comfort, representing the second low bid of R. W. Rhine Company, explained the bid bond received by the City was made to the City of Salem and asked that Council reject the faulty bid and not waive the discrepancy. He felt any waiver would set a precedent and would open the door for various other types of bond discrepancies. He asked that Council reject the bid of Center Dozing and accept the second low bid of R. W. Rhine or call for new bids.

After considerable discussion, voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22560 Adjusting salaries of Emergency Employment Project temporary employees effective January 1, 1974.

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

Resolution No. 22561 Adjusting salaries of Human Development Seniors Program temporary employees effective January 1, 1974.

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

Resolution No. 22562 Adjusting salaries of Program Management System temporary employees effective January 1, 1974.

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

Resolution No. 22563 Adjusting salaries of Model Cities Project temporary employees effective January 1, 1974.

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

Resolution No. 22564 Adjusting salaries of Neighborhood Youth Corps Program temporary employees effective January 1, 1974.

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

Resolution No. 22565 Adjusting salaries of Human Development Youth Services Bureau Program temporary employees effective January 1, 1974.

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

Resolution No. 22566 Adjusting salaries of Urban Renewal Project Temporary employees effective January 1, 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. 22567 Authorizing execution of a conditional real estate contract on certain vacant land located near No. Pearl & 44th Street to H. E. Thaden and Eilene Thaden for the sum of \$10,000.00.

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

Resolution No. 22568 Authorizing the closure of the Broadway Pedestrian Mall to vehicular traffic.

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

Resolution No. 22569 Authorizing execution of sublease with General Adjustment Bureau, Inc. for office space for Youth Services Bureau of the Dept. of Human Development for \$576.00 per month.

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. 22570 Authorizing sale of certain vacant land near East 55th and "G" Streets to Walter B. and Bobbie J. Booth for the sum of \$1,400.00.

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

Resolution No. 22571 Authorizing sale of certain property near South 43rd and Asotin Streets to Lee W. and Carol L. Burnett for the sum of \$20.00.

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

Resolution No. 22572 Authorizing sale of certain vacant land near South 30th and Tyler Streets to Stanley E. and Beverley G. Bills for the sum of \$1,500.00.

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

Resolution No. 22573 Authorizing sale of certain vacant land on North Shirley near North 38th Street to Jim King Realty, Inc. for the sum of \$2,800.00.

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

Resolution No. 22574 Amending Rule IV of the rules and regulations governing ambulance services relative to rates.

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Bill Donaldson, City Manager, asked that this resolution be removed from the Agenda.

Mr. Sonntag moved that the Resolution be removed from the Agenda. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was removed from the Agenda.

Resolution No. 22575 Authorizing the proper officers of the City to evaluate the feasibility of reducing certain non-operating revenue support of the Transit System.

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

Resolution No. 22576 Providing for collective bargaining agreements with employee representatives relative to retroactivity.

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

Resolution No. 22577 Amending Rule 1 of the Council Rules of Procedure relative to meetings.

Mr. Sonntag moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Moss.

Mr. Sonntag moved to insert the time of 5 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday in the space provided for the time and day of the week in the Resolution. Seconded by Mr. Nelson.

Dr. Herrmann moved to set the time of 4 o'clock p.m. Seconded by Mr. Jarstad.

Each Councilman gave their views on the 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. hours.

Lewis C. Hatfield suggested that Public Hearings be placed at the end of the Agenda to enable concerned citizens to attend the meeting after working hours.

Roll call was taken on the motion to set the time at 4 p.m., Resulting as follows:

Ayes: 4 - Herrmann, Moss, Jarstad, Mayor Johnston

Nays: 5 - Egan, Hudson, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag

The motion was declared failed.

Roll call was taken on the motion to set the time at 5 p.m., resulting as follows:

Ayes: 6 - Egan, Moss, Nelson, Sonntag, Jarstad and Mayor Johnston

Nays: 3 - Herrmann, Hudson, Nalley

The motion was declared carried.

Mr. Sonntag moved that the resolution take effect the first meeting in February, 1974. Seconded by Mr. Nelson. Voice vote was taken and carried.

The Resolution was set over for second reading next week.

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER:

Bill Donaldson asked Council to suspend the rules in order to consider an additional resolution.

Mr. Sonntag moved to suspend the rules. Seconded by Mr. Moss. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Resolution No. 22578 Approving Board of Health Resolution Nos. 23 and 24 establishing the Compensation Plan for regular Health Department and federal emergency employment employees.

Mr. Donaldson advised that the Board of Health had adopted Resolution Nos. 23 and 24 granting salary increases of 6.5 percent and in order to grant the increases to City employees in the Health Department, a resolution similar to those passed for project employees must be approved.

Dr. McNutt, Director of the Health Department, conveyed the message that if Council approved the resolution the Pierce County Commissioners would approve it at their meeting the following day.

Mayor Johnston moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann.

Lewis Hatfield made inquiry as to whether the resolution covered fringe benefits. He was advised that it did not.

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

Mr. Donaldson read a Christmas card he had received from the Hill Family, former residents of NDP, who thanked the City Council for being relocated in a new home.

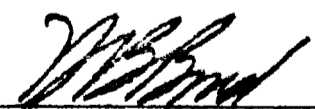
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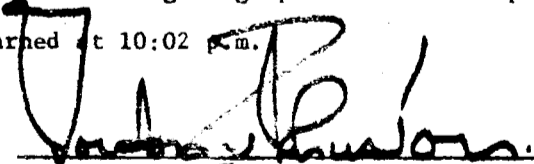
Mayor Johnston moved to change next week's meeting date to Wednesday, January 2, 1974 at 7 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote was taken and carried.

COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Mr. Hudson suggested that beginning the first of the year, once a month, the Council agenda be arranged to provide the opportunity for a department head and staff to present an outline of the services they perform for the City, attach a budget figure for the services and list their priorities and long range plans for the department.

On proper motion the meeting adjourned at 10:02 p.m.

ATTEST: 
H. B. BOND - CITY CLERK


GORDON JOHNSTON - MAYOR