

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
September 12, 1972

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Mayor Johnston.

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

The Flag Salute was led by Deputy Mayor Jarstad.

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On behalf of the citizens of Tacoma, Mayor Johnston proclaimed Wednesday, September 13, 1972 as "Ray Seales Day" and urged all Tacoma citizens to pay tribute to him at the Official City Welcome at 7:30 p.m. at Cheney Stadium. Ray Seales, a Tacoma resident, was the only United States Boxer to win a Gold Medal at the XX Olympiad recently held in Munich, Germany.

In honor of Thomas Scofield Hanforth, internationally recognized artist, author and world traveler who was a native of Tacoma, Mayor Johnston proclaimed Saturday, September 16, 1972 as "Thomas Scofield Hanforth Day".

Miss Mary Frances Borden, Library Director, accepted the proclamation and advised there would be a tea and exhibits in the gallery in this respect and distributed booklets with information regarding Mr. Hanforth to the Council members.

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CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the meeting of September 5, 1972.

ASSESSMENT ROLLS:

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

LID 4962 - paving on Mullen Street from North 8th to North 10th; Washington Street from North 10th to North 11th Street, and other nearby streets. Also storm drain line only in North 11th from Washington Street east to alley.

LID 4973 - paving on North 28th Street from Starr Street to McFarven Street.

LID 4977 - paving on North 29th Street from Stevens to Cheyenne Street; Cheyenne from North 9th to North 10th Street and other nearby streets. Also storm drainage line only in North 37th from Falkenberg to Bennett Street and Bennett Street from North 27th to North 38th Street.

LID 4969 - paving on North 9th Street from Madison to Stevens Street; North 14th from Fife to Oakes Street and other nearby streets.

Fixing Wednesday, October 18th, 1972 at 4:00 p.m. as the date for hearing.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of Citizens Arterial Committee meeting of May 15th, June 5th, June 12th, June 26th, July 10th, August 7th, and August 21st, 1972.
- b. Monthly report, Fire Department, July, 1972.
- c. Monthly report, Workload for Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment, August, 1972.

Mr. Schroeder made reference to the Citizens Arterial Committee Minutes listed on the Agenda and asked that the City Manager make inquiry as to why it is necessary that the Council wait three months before receiving the minutes.

Mr. Schroeder moved to approve all of the items listed on the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Mr. Nalley. Voice vote was taken and carried. The items were declared approved.

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REGULAR AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

This is the date set for hearing the request for rezoning the northwest corner of South 8th and Orchard Streets from an "R-2" to a "C-2" District. (8-7-72 Planning Commission recommended approval 6-0, 3 absent) (Wm. M. Busch)

Russell Buehler, Planning Department Director, described the request as being a portion of the K-Mart Shopping Area. Presently the area is zoned C-2 with the exception of this 200 by 160 feet. He pointed out that at the time the original rezone for this area was made, there were no specific plans for this corner and the Planning Commission recommended this corner not be included until specific plans were made. The petitioner wishes to place a building of small shops in this area. Mr. Buehler advised that the Commission, after hearing, set forth the conditions that were in the original contractual agreement entered into in 1966 and recommended this rezone be approved.

Mr. Marshall Adams, representing William Busch, advised that this corner appears to be part of the overall K-Mart, Restaurant complex and is presently used as a parking area. He advised that the shops which would be in the proposed building would not be in competition with the K-Mart nor contribute to any intrusion into the neighborhood and urged the rezone be approved.

Mr. E. W. Hilton, Jr., 811 South Villard Street, spoke against the rezone.

Dr. Herrmann moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Seconded by Mr. Moss. Voice vote was taken and carried.

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FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 19668 Amending Section 11.22 of the Official Code relative to permits for parades or street dances.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 5 - Herrmann, Jarstad, Schroeder, Sonntag, and Mayor Johnston

Nays: 4 - Egan, Maule, Moss, Nalley

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 19669 Granting to American Smelting and Refining Company a franchise to construct and maintain railway spur tracks across Ruston Way in the City of Tacoma.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Egan, Herrmann, Jarstad, Maule, Moss, Nalley, Schroeder, Sonntag and Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 19671 Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to include the east side of Orchard Street approximately 1,000 feet north of South 48th Street from an "R-2" to an " -1" District. (Wm. G. Lundberg)

Russell Buehler, Planning Department Director, advised that Council had previously held a hearing on this request. All of the conditions are now satisfied and proper easements have been granted as set forth by the Planning Commission.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Substitute

Resolution No. 21828 (Continued from the meeting of September 5th)
Authorizing the purchase from Valley Motor Company one 1967 one-half ton Cargo Econoline Van formerly owned by the Dept. of Public Utilities for the sum of \$787.50 and waiving the requirement for competitive bidding.

Police Chief Lyle Smith explained to Council that he had personally investigated the circumstances of this transaction. Discussion disclosed that it appeared that Valley Motors had realized a \$150 profit from the transaction. Objections were raised by Mr. Sonntag to the 25 percent profit instead of the usual 15 percent profit.

At the meeting of September 5, 1972 a motion to adopt the Substitute Resolution was made by Mr. Maule and seconded by Dr. Herrmann.

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

Resolution No. 21836 Awarding contract to Econolite for its bid of \$8,600.55 for one 8-phase circuitry controller and cabinet for U.A.B. Improvement No. 4-4867-11.

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. 21837 Expanding the membership of the Charter Review Committee from thirteen to fourteen members.

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

Mr. Nalley referred to paragraphs two and three where it is stated that the committee be expanded from 13 to 14 members. He moved that the committee be expanded to 15 members as he felt that an additional member would be an advantage in obtaining a quorum at meetings. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote was taken and carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Sonntag and seconded by Mr. Maule to adopt the amended Resolution. Voice vote was taken and carried. The amended Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 21838 Appointing fourteen citizens to the Charter Review Committee.

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

Mr. Nalley moved to amend the Resolution by adding Mrs. Lois Farmer (housewife) to the list of nominees. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag.

Several Council members commented that they did not know of Mrs. Lois Farmer. Mr. Nalley reported that she resided at 5002 North 26th and he outlined her various civic activities.

After discussion, Mayor Johnston suggested that at this time the Resolution be adopted with one vacancy. Mr. Nalley withdrew his motion to nominate Mrs. Farmer.

Mr. Nalley commented that he felt the Committee should not have the restrictions which this Resolution provides. He felt that the Committee should be given a free hand to review the City Charter completely as there is a chance they may find that Tacoma may not want Managerial Government at this time since changes do take place over the years. He pointed out that this suggestion should not cause any alarm as the Committee has been selected by the advocates of the present form of government.

Mayor Johnston advised that Resolution No. 21837 specifically specifies that the committee shall preserve the present form of government and that the Charter review is primarily for necessary housekeeping matters. He felt that only freeholders should be involved with any consideration of such changes.

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

Resolution No. 21839 Appointing Jennie Sue Brown as a member of the Board of Adjustment for a term to expire on September 30, 1975.

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

Resolution No. 21840 Amending the agreement with the Tacoma Young Men's Christian Association to provide for an expiration date of October 31 1972 and additional funds in the sum of \$38,051.00 for the Culture and Recreation Project of the Tacoma Model Cities Program.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Egan.

Keith Palmquist, Model Cities Director, advised that this would be extending the present contract with the Young Men's Christian Association for the balance of the action year in order to continue the program until funds are available from HUD for the Second Action Year.

Project Director, Ellis Cain, reviewed for Council the various projects the program covers and reported on the number of citizens availing themselves of the opportunity of these services. He also answered questions of Council regarding the program and facilities.

Mr. Ted Amell spoke in favor of the Resolution.

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

Resolution No. 21841 Approving budgetary changes for certain projects of the Model Cities Program First Action Year.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Egan.

Mr. Palmquist answered questions of Council regarding the twenty-four exhibits covered under the Resolution for the Second Action Year.

Mayor Johnston moved to insert into the Resolution Exhibit numbers one through twenty-four. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Mayor Johnston reported that on September 11, 1972 the Pierce County Taxpayers Association endorsed the five City Bond Propositions which are going before the voters at the September 19th election. He also reported that the Pierce County Commissioners at a meeting today passed a Resolution urging the citizens to support the Civic Center Proposition.


Mr. Sonntag mentioned the names of a few of the civic and private organizations which have endorsed the Civic Center Proposition. He pointed out the great need for a Civic Center by illustrating the fact that the only government operated facility is the Cheney Stadium which would not be the best place for a welcome for Ray Seales if it should rain.

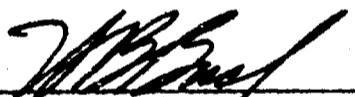
Mr. Jarstad reported that the Central Labor Council C.O.P.E. Committee has endorsed all of the City Propositions on the September 19th ballot.

Mr. Schroeder urged the public to attend the Council Study Session which will be held Thursday, September 14, 1972 at the site of the proposed Civic Center.

Mr. Moss urged the public to attend the welcoming ceremony Wednesday, September 13, 1972 for Ray Seales and Dave Armstrong.

On proper motion, the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.


GORDON JOHNSTON - MAYOR

ATTEST: 
H. B. BOND - CITY CLERK