

COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 7:35 P. M.

Monday, August 5, 1957.

Council met in regular session. Present 8; Battin, Bratrud, Goering, Jensen, Perdue, Stojack, Tollefson and Mayor Anderson. Absent 1, Humiston.

It was moved by Dr. Battin, seconded by Mr. Tollefson that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved. Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Humiston.

COMMUNICATIONS:

\* Daycrest, Inc., Day's Tailor-D-Clothing; Seattle Woolen Co., Inc., protesting the present freeway plans as an unlawful encroachment upon their property rights.

Mr. M. J. Slikas, who is affiliated with these Companies, explained in his communications to the Council, that the proposed freeway and traffic pattern at 29th & Pacific Ave. will materially damage their Companies by isolating and interfering with their operations and plans for future expansion. He explained that the proposed freeway and approaches completely isolate their apartment house on 29th & Pacific Avenue. Mr. Slikas also pointed out that they have an assembly line that is used in loading and unloading which they will be unable to use if the freeway is located according to present plans. Mr. Rowlands explained there is some doubt just where the freeway will be located, but was advised by Mr. Bugge, State Director of Highways, that as soon as the plans are definite, Mr. Slikas will be notified.

PETITIONS:

+ Petition from property owners requesting that a change in service be provided on the K Street bus line, so that every other City bound bus will travel South 19th Street alternating with their regular route.

Mr. Rowlands said that if any changes are made in the re-routing of the K Street bus, according to the agreement with the Transit Company, a public hearing before the City Council is mandatory.

Curtis Hill, President of the Transit Company, said that more people will be adversely affected by this change, than if the route were left as it is at this time.

Dr. Battin asked if the petitioner had discussed this change with the Transit Company. Mr. Rowlands said the petition was sent to the Transit Company but was addressed to the City Council.

Dr. Battin said, he felt this problem should be taken up directly with the Transit Company rather than with the Council.

Mayor Anderson suggested that the Manager meet with the Transit Company officials to see if a satisfactory solution can be worked out.

Dr. Battin then moved that the City Manager meet with the Transit Company officials to work out some satisfactory arrangements for the residents in the area. Motion seconded by Mr. Bratrud. Motion carried unanimously.

↓ James, Lawrence and Clarence Healy, et al: For rezoning from R-2 Residential District to C-1 Commercial District property located at South 66th and Tyler Streets. Referred to the City Planning Commission. 384

↓ Breta P. Aubry, et al: Requesting installation of a 4-way light at the intersection of South 54th and Pine Streets. 385

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Mr. Matthew Markle residing at 2720 So. 54th Street appeared before Council urging that serious consideration be given to this request as six people have been killed at this intersection. He said that southbound traffic on Pine Street use this street as a freeway and do not always see the stop sign at 54th Street.

Most of the accidents are caused by these southbound cars, he said.

Mrs. Marie E. Burke, one of the signers of the petition, also was present requesting that a 4-way stop light be installed.

Mr. Tollefson asked what the cost would be to install a stop light.

Mr. Rowlands explained that for installation of the overhead type light would be approximately \$1200 and from \$2400 to \$2500 for the corner type.

Mayor Anderson requested that the petition be referred to the Public Works Dept. for their recommendation.

Mr. Jensen asked that a check, also, be made at 56th and Pine Street as this is a bad intersection. Mr. Tollefson also requested that the area at No. 30th and Proctor Sts. be checked at the same time.

#### RESOLUTIONS:

##### Resolution No. 15084

By Goering:

Awarding contract to Sound Battery Company for the purchase of the annual supply of storage batteries on its bid of \$4500 plus sales tax.

Mr. Rowlands asked that this Resolution be continued for two weeks as the bids have to be approved by the Utility Board for Utility purchases, which had not been done in this instance.

It was moved by Mr. Stojack seconded by Dr. Battin to postpone this Resolution for two weeks or until August 19th. Motion carried unanimously.

##### X Resolution No. 15083

By Bratrud:

Fixing Sept. 3, 1957 as the date for hearing on L I D 4622 for placing asphaltic concrete pavement, concrete curbs, gutters, storm water catch basins and storm sewers on South C Street from So 61st to So. 63rd St; East 61st from B to D Streets; East D from 60th to 61st Sts; South 60th from Pacific Ave to Fawcett; East Spokane from 40th to 43rd Sts; South L from 56th to 58th and East 60th from F St. to McKinley Ave.

Adopted on roll call August 5, 1957

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Humiston.

#### FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

##### Ordinance No. 15924

Amending Sec. 7.10.030 of the Charter and Official Code relating to the Police Dept; providing for the appointment and prescribing the duties and term of office of special police officers. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

##### Ordinance No. 15925

Vacating East 67th Street from McKinley Avenue to East G Streets. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

#### FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

##### Ordinance No. 15922

Amending Sec. 13.06.013 of the Charter and Official Code by adding there to a new Section to be known as Section 13.06.130 (2) property located on the East

side of South K Street from 120' south of South 16th Street to 125' south of South 17th Street to be included in the C-2 Commercial District. Read by title and passed.

Roll call: Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Humiston .

Ordinance No. 15023

Amending the Charter and Official Code of the City of Tacoma by amending Section 1.24.460 "Veterans' Preference" and adding a new section to be known as Section 1.24.675 "Review of Promotional Appointments". Read by title and passed.

Roll call: Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Humiston.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

City Planning Commission recommending denial of the petition of the Investment Exchange Development Corp., for reclassification from an R-3 Two Family Dwelling District to a C-1 Commercial District property located on the south side of Center Street from Madison to Gunnison. The Investment Exchange Development Corp. has filed a notice of appeal from the City Planning Commission denial of their petition. It was moved by Mr. Stojack, seconded by Mr. Perdue that September 9th be set as the date for hearing on the above appeal. Motion carried unanimously. 275  
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Change in the interpretation of service classification and rates of the Business and Occupational Tax. (laid over to this date on July 22nd.) Communication filed by the firm of Callson, Newlands and Reha pretesting on behalf of the Tacoma Laundry and Dry Cleaning Operators Association and T. V. and Radio Electronics Institute, the amendment to the City's business and occupation tax which increased said tax by two and one-half times the rate formerly imposed, and requesting that a public hearing be held. 328

Mr. Rowlands advised that changes in the rates of the Business and Occupation tax were made by a reinterpretation of the Ordinance which would result in added revenues in certain categories, such as: T. V. and Radio repair, Laundry and Dry Cleaning establishments, General Contractors, Hotels, etc. The definition for "retail sales" and "Service Sales" is not clearly explained for these particular businesses, he said. Mr. Rowlands said that inasmuch as a hearing has not been held on these changes he suggested that the charges revert back to status quo, unless the Council requests a change.

Mr. Tollefson asked how will this change affect the charges that are now due. Mr. Rowlands replied that statements were sent out on the 26th of June and if the new rate were paid a refund could be obtained.

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, advised if the rates are returned to status quo, the necessary steps should be taken to make this change.

It was then moved by Mr. Tollefson, seconded by Mr. Jensen, that the City Attorney prepare the necessary ordinance to return the rates to status quo and to clearly define "retail sales" and "service sales" in connection with the Business and Occupational tax, in order that the firm governed by this section will not be charged the additional fee. Motion carried. Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Humiston.

The Director of Utilities presents the assessment and assessment roll for the cost of the improvement in L I D 5281 for Watermains in Durango from So. 17th to So. 19th Street and in So. 19th to Durango to Adams. It was moved by Mr. Stojack that September 3, 1957 be fixed as the date for hearing on the assessment roll. Motion carried unanimously on roll call. 366

This is the date set for hearing on the appeal of Zellerbach Paper Company in reference to a deficiency in the Business License Tax. A communication was received from Mr. Richard K Quinn, attorney for Zellerbach Paper Company requesting a postponement of the hearing to September 9, 1957. 301  
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It was moved by Mr. Stojack, seconded by Mr. Perdue that the hearing be postponed until September 9, 1957. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rowlands called attention to MC-152 - Mutual Fire Protection Agreements, and advised that the Council requested this report. He explained that eleven communities and organizations have signed the reciprocal agreement with the City for fire protection and eight have not. He also pointed out that during the last 15 years the City has responded to 83 calls outside the City limits, while the outlying fire districts have only responded to 14, within the limits of Tacoma, 12 of these 14 calls were brush fires located at the city limits.

Mr. Rowlands, submitted for Council's information a written report on the fire charge from the Lakewood Fire Department, at a recent fire at 8805 So. Sprague St.

Harold Fisk, Fire Chief explained to council how the code system operates between the Cities. He said that when a call is either sent or received the code word must be given, thus identifying the Company, the person calling must give their name and rank, how many pieces of equipment and what kind will be needed. Calls are not to be honored by any dispatcher unless the coded word is used.

Upon motion, duly seconded and carried, Council adjourned at 8:35 P. M.

Attest:

Josephine Weston  
City Clerk

John H. Anderson  
President of the City Council