

Monday, June 18, 1956.

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

It was moved by Dr. Battin, seconded by Mr. Perdue, that the minutes of the previous meeting, copies of which had been mailed by the Clerk to each Council Member, be approved and the reading thereof be dispensed with. Motion carried on roll call: Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Tollefson.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 14689.

By HUMISTON:

Authorizing the proper officers of the City of Tacoma to execute a leasing agreement with Leroy P. Burg for the concession at Lake Cushman at an annual rental of \$500; said agreement to be in substantially the same form as the agreement attached hereto and incorporated herein. City Attorney McCormick called Council's attention to the second line of page 5 of the contract. In his opinion the words "or by expiration of time" should be inserted following the words "paragraph 13 hereof", and he has taken this up with Mr. Hamilton, attorney for the Utility Department, who has approved the change, Mr. McCormick said. Mr. McCormick also called attention to the amount of liability insurance policies provided in paragraph 8, page 3, which do not coincide with other similar City leases. The City usually requires \$100,000, \$300,000 and \$50,000 instead of \$10,000, \$20,000, \$5,000, he stated. The amounts were discussed and Mr. Barline said he was agreeable to raising it to \$100,000, \$300,000 but that he felt \$10,000 was ample for property damage coverage. It was moved by Dr. Humiston, seconded by Dr. Battin, to amend consideration 8, page 3, by raising liability insurance to \$100,000, \$300,000 and \$10,000 and to amend the second line of page 5 by adding "or by expiration of time" after "paragraph 13 hereof". Motion carried unanimously. Roll was then called on the adoption of the resolution, resulting as follows:

Adopted on roll call June 18, 1956.
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Tollefson.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 15642.

Authorizing and directing the City Attorney of the City of Tacoma to purchase and/or institute and prosecute an action in the Superior Court of the State of Washington for Pierce County, under the right of eminent domain, for the purpose of constructing a substation for the City of Tacoma. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15643.

Vacating South Pierce Street from the south line of South 11th Street to the north line of South 12th Street. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15644.

Amending Sections 16, 17, 18, 19, 28, 30, 31 and 32 of Ordinance No. 15106 as amended. (Pay or Compensation plan. Utilities Employees). Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15632.

L. I. D. 1958.

394 Providing for construction of sewers in South 86th Street from M Street to the existing manhole approximately 650 feet east of M Street; creating L I D 1958. Read by title and passed.

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

Ordinance No. 15633.

L. I. D. 4580.

382 448:300 Providing for improvement of Hawthorne Street from North 11th Street to Lenore Drive, Rose Lane from North 11th Street to North 13th Street, Lenore Drive from North 11th Street to North 17th Street, Bridgeview Drive from Skyline Drive to North 17th Street, Heatherwood East from North 13th Street to Bridgeview Drive, Heatherwood West from North 13th Street to Bridgeview Drive, Heatherwood Circle and North 13th Street from Hawthorne Street to Skyline Drive, by construction of pavement, curbs and gutters and house connections to sanitary sewer; creating L I D 4580. Read by title and passed.

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

Ordinance No. 15634.

L. I. D. 4583.

43 Providing for improvement of B Street from East 56th to East 60th, also East 60ths from B Street west for 296 feet by paving, construction of curbs and gutters, with storm drainage; also paving, construction of curbs and gutters on East 60th Street from 296 feet west of B Street to A Street; also paving only on B Street from East 60th Street to East 62nd Street; creating L I D No. 4583. Read by title and passed.

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

Ordinance No. 15635.

L. I. D. 5273.

9 Providing for construction of cast-iron watermains in Pearl Street from North 26th to North 35th Street, in Narrows Drive from Pearl Street to North Harmon Street; in North 30th Street from Highland to Pearl; in Bridgeview from No. 17th to Narrows Drive; in James Street from No. 17th Street to Bridgeview Drive; creating L I D 5273. Read by title and passed.

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

Ordinance No. 15636.

L. I. D. 5274.

48:126 Providing for construction of cast iron water mains in I Street from South 76th to South 78th and in South 78th from I to Thompson; creating L I D 5274. Read by title and passed.

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

Ordinance No. 15637.

L. I. D. 4554.

Approving and confirming assessment roll for L I D 4554, cement concrete curb and gutter, etc. on North 22nd Street from Puget Sound to Warner and from Lawrence Street east 155 feet; also paving of alley between North 22nd and North 24th from Warner to Lawrence. Read by title and passed.

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

Ordinance No. 15638.

L. I. D. 2240.

Approving and confirming assessment and assessment roll for cost of improvement in L I D 2240-- gravel and crushed rock oil mat on Verde Street from South 12th

Street to South 16th Street. Read by title and passed.

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

Ordinance No. 15639.

Vacating all of South 66th Street contiguous to Lot 8, Block 1 of Villa Park Addition to Tacoma, Pierce County, Washington, as originally laid out in plat thereof filed for record in the office of Pierce County Auditor; and providing for the issuance of deeds therefor and reserving to the City of Tacoma an easement therein for the construction, repair and maintenance of public utilities and services. Read by title and passed. (Pet. Tom Page, et al) (date of hearing June 4, 1956). 416

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

Ordinance No. 15640.

Vacating South 18th Street from east line of South Durango Street to the west line of the alley right of way between Durango and South Adams Street. (Petition Victor Johnson and Magdalen Patterson- (date of hearing June 4, 1956). Read by title and passed 415

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

Ordinance No. 15641.

Authorizing a temporary loan in sum of \$45,000, from General Fund to Public Works Revolving Fund; providing for repayment thereof; appropriating said \$45,000 from said Public Works Revolving Fund for purpose of acquiring a site for extraction of gravel; and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and the appropriation herein contained. Read by title. Myron Calkins, City Engineer, explained the need for this ordinance, saying that after an extensive search, they finally located this gravel pit, which will provide enough bank run gravel to supply the City's needs for a number of years at a cost of 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per cubic yard as compared to the current price of 40¢ per cubic yard. It is the plan to repay this amount over a period of years by charging each L I D 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per cubic yard for gravel. The land is located just outside the south City Limits near South 80th and Sprague and has been zoned by the County for this purpose, he said. Dr. Humiston brought up the question of the legality of making this purchase without calling for competitive bids as provided by Section 7:11 of the City Charter, and he was advised by City Attorney McCormick that in his opinion this did not require the calling of bids and was legal. Mr. Jensen suggested that the ordinance be laid over for one week for further investigation and it was moved by Mr. Jensen, seconded by Mr. Bratrud to postpone Ordinance No. 15641 for one week to June 25, 1956. Motion lost on roll call: Ayes 3; Bratrud, Humiston, Jensen; Nays 5; Battin, Goering, Perdue, Stojack, Anderson, Absent 1; Tollefson. Roll was then called on the passage of the ordinance. 433

Lost on roll call: Ayes 6; Nays 2; Bratrud, Jensen, Absent 1, Tollefson. (Ordinance requires unanimous vote due to emergency appropriation).

It was then moved by Dr. Humiston, who voted with the prevailing side, to reconsider ordinance No. 15641 next week. Motion seconded by Mr. Jensen and carried unanimously.

Ordinance No. 15631 (laid over to this date on June 11th) . L I D 1957. 423

Providing for construction of sewers in South Alaska Street from existing sewer in South 60th Street to South 64th Street; creating L I D 1957. 427

Read by title. Mr. Leo Gallagher of the Advisory Board of St. Ann's Home, presented his arguments for the elimination of Alaska between 63rd and 64th in front of their property from the district. Mr. Gallagher stated that neither St. Ann's Home nor the property on the lower side of the street abutting the lake nor the lots owned by Pierce County, which are being put up for sale for delinquent taxes, can use the proposed sewer due to the steep terrain, and for this reason the sewer between 63rd and 64th will be money wasted. He urged the Council to concur in the recommendation of the L I D Committee and eliminate the block between 63rd and 64th. Mr. Hokold, circulator of the petition, spoke in favor of the project as originally set up, and pointed out that there was only a 16% remonstrance and therefore he did not see how the City could turn it down. Dr. Humiston asked City Attorney McCormick if the Council had the authority to turn down an L I D even if no remonstrance had been filed against it and Mr. McCormick advised that the Council had this authority. Mr. Hokold said that the property on the lower side on the lake could use the sewer if the land is filled in, and the owners wanted the improvement. City Engineer Myron Calkins, when questioned, stated that in his opinion the four pieces of property on the lake could not tie into the Alaska Street sewer. Mr. Perdue, who was on the L I D Committee at the hearing on this L I D, gave the Committee's recommendation. He said that the L I D Committee recommended the district be abandoned and that the Public Works Department initiate a new district eliminating Alaska Street between South 63rd and South 64th Street. Roll was then called on the passage of the ordinance.

Roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 1; Stojack; Absent 1; Tollefson.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Dr. Humiston reported on the meeting which he and Mr. Perdue attended, at which time the County Commissioners were advised of the City Council's action at last Monday's meeting, opposing the inclusion of the Port Industrial District in any City or town other than Tacoma. County Commissioner Sprinker asked if information on the effect in the area of incorporation as compared with status quo or annexation to Tacoma has been presented to the property owners and the City representatives agreed to have the information compiled to present to those living in the area or owning property therein for their information and to present to the County officials for consideration at the hearing on the petition for incorporation of Fife. City Manager Boyle said he has had several staff meetings on the matter and the Planning Department is working on an outline listing the points to be covered. He expects to have the data compiled in time to present to the County Commissioners when they hold their hearing on the boundaries of the area to be incorporated, but could not set a definite date when the information will be ready, he added. Mr. Stojack said he felt the Council had acted in haste last week when he was absent and in his opinion they should have waited to take a stand until the Port Commissioners had expressed their view on the matter. As far as he is concerned, he would hate to see the City take a stand that will slow down development of the area, and until he has more information, he is not sure that this area should be annexed by Tacoma, Mr. Stojack said. Dr. Humiston stated that the Port Commission is waiting for the information the City is compiling before taking a stand. Mayor Anderson asked Dr. Humiston to act as Chairman of the Committee to publicize the facts compiled by General Government and the Utility Department and also present these facts to the County Commissioners.

Dr. Humiston advised that it would be necessary for the City Council to recess until 7 P. M. tomorrow night to adopt a resolution to release from escrow the contract with Public Utility District #2 of Grant County for the purchase of 8% of the output of the Priest Rapids Dam. The bids on the Priest Rapids Dam bond issue will be opened at the Winthrop Hotel Tuesday afternoon, and after the interest rate on the bonds is known, the contract must be ratified by the City Council he added. Mr. Bratrud said he had been notified that the recessed meeting was called for 5:30 P. M. and a number of the Council members favored holding it at this time if possible. It was moved by Mr. Bratrud, seconded by Mr. Jensen that the Council recess to 5:30 P. M., Tuesday, June 19th. Motion carried unanimously.

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* Mr. Bob Hovde, representing the Junior Chamber of Commerce, advised the Council that representatives of various civic and political groups had met at luncheon today to lay plans for a "Register & Vote" Campaign in the Tacoma-Pierce County area next month. He presented the Council with a petition signed by members of the Tacoma-Pierce County Registration and Vote Committee, requesting the City Council to enact an ordinance authorizing the City Clerk to establish temporary facilities for outside registration for the convenience of the citizens of the City of Tacoma. The idea was discussed and it was pointed out by Dr. Humiston that funds were provided for this purpose in the 1956 Budget. The petition was referred to the City Attorney to draw up an ordinance after locations for registering have been determined. 437

* Mrs. Edw. P. Byrne of 1542 Wilton Road submitted a petition bearing 42 signatures, asking that the wharf and ferry slips at the end of 6th Avenue be repaired for use as a public fishing wharf and that a launching elevator be installed for small boats. Mrs. Byrne spoke in favor of the petition. City Manager Boyle reviewed the history of the wharf's ownership. This is located partially on the City Street but under an agreement dated May 25, 1925, the County was granted permission to use a portion of the street and they agreed to assume all responsibility for maintenance and upkeep and to indemnify the City from losses. This agreement is still in effect, he added. The matter was discussed at length and at the conclusion the petition was referred to the City Manager to obtain information on the condition, etc. of the wharf from various departments and to make a recommendation to the Council. 447:72

Upon motion, duly seconded and carried, at 9:38 P. M. the City Council recessed to 5:30 P. M. Tuesday, June 19th.

John H. Anderson
President of City Council.

Attest:

Josephine Melton
City Clerk.