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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
Tuesday, July 16, 1968

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Rasmussen at 4 P. M.

Present on roll call 8: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Finnigan, Herrmann, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
Absent 1; Johnson.

The Flag Salute was led by Mr. Finnigan.

Mr. Zatkovich requested that the minutes of June 25th, 1968 not be approved until his vote on Resolution No. 19769 and No. 19770 be checked.

Mr. Cvitanich moved to postpone approval of the minutes of June 25th for two weeks, until July 30th, 1968. Seconded by Mrs. Banfield. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

HEARINGS & APPEALS:

a. This is the date set for hearing for the vacation of West Union Ave. and So. 16th Street between the southwesterly line of Union Ave. and So. 17th Street. Submitted by Fred W. Brockhoff.

Mr. Russell Buehler, Director of Planning, explained this request was for the vacation of West Union Ave. and So. 16th St. which is a partial right of way that has never been opened. He added, easements will have to be retained to hold the City harmless in said agreement. This will allow for the consolidation of properties which will provide for a site better suited for future development.

No objections were expressed against the vacation.

No one appearing and no protests being made, Dr. Herrmann moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the vacation and that an ordinance be drafted approving same. Seconded by Mr. Murtland. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

b. This is the date set for hearing for the rezoning of the area between So. 13th and So. 14th Streets west of Orchard St. from an "R-2" to an "R-4-L"PRD" District. Submitted by Forrester Realty & Mtg. Co.

Mr. Buehler explained this request is a continuance of a rezone and a vacation request submitted to the Council last week. He added, a condition set forth by the City is that the street be improved at the expense of the property owner or be petitioned by an L I D, before the final passage of the ordinance.

Mr. Turlis of Forrester Realty & Mtg. Co., explained that the developer feels that the improvement will be put in under a separate contract. One of the stipulations on this zoning is that the final reading of the ordinance will not be enacted until these improvements are accomplished.

Mayor Rasmussen called attention to the Planning Commission's recommendation which states that a " valid L I D be submitted and approved, or a performance bond be posted with the Public Works Dept. etc.". He wondered about such a statement.

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, stated it was his understanding that no actual rezoning will be accomplished until that street was improved by a private contract at the expense of the developer or by an L I D. If the Council rejects an L I D, the only alternative would be by a separate contract at the developer's expense, otherwise there will be no rezoning,

Mr. Finnigan asked, if an L I D is formed, can the Council eliminate a property owner upon whom an improvement would create a hardship. He added, could the total expense be placed upon the developer.

Mr. McCormick explained, if the Council feels it is a reasonable condition, that could be requested.

Dr. Herrmann felt the safe guard is the fact that an ordinance will not be finalized unless the improvement has been made.

Mayor Rasmussen moved to amend Page 2, Paragraph 8 of the Planning Commission's recommendation by deleting the words "a valid L I D be submitted and approved, or a performance bond be posted with the" and add the words, "an agreement approved by the". Seconded by Mrs. Banfield. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Mayor Rasmussen felt that the intention of the Council is to not make LID's mandatory but optional.

Dr. Herrmann moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the rezoning with the amendment and that an ordinance be drafted approving same. Seconded by Mr. Bott. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

c. This is the date set for hearing the appeal filed by James A. Amos on denial of a Taxi License. (postponed from July 9th, 1968)

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Mr. James A. Amos, 4531 So. 9th St., Tacoma, stated he was not satisfied with the reasons given by the License Dept. for denying his request for a taxi cab license. He noted his employer had had no complaints of his driving. He had been informed that any juvenile record is not available to anyone for their information and he has not been in trouble since he was seventeen years of age. Furthermore, he added, he had conscientiously tried to correct his previous mistakes.

Dr. Herrmann asked how often is a situation such as this held against a person, also would it be possible to allow Mr. Amos a probationary license.

Mr. Dave McLennan, Director of Tax and Licenses, stated there are very few denials as far as taxi cab driver's licenses are concerned. The Department surveys the application and takes everything into consideration. One of the matters involved is traffic violations. At the present time Mr. Amos is on surveillance with the State Patrol and his next ticket as far as the State is concerned will revoke his driver's license. Mr. McLennan further stated that Mr. Amos has distorted the truth in regard to where he had been living in the last two years as his tickets show other places of residence. He added, when dealing with the general public there must be representative persons at the wheel. He added, he has based the denial of the license on the traffic violations and recent conduct while he was driving a cab. According to the City's regulations a probationary license cannot be granted.

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, stated that the Council will have to base their decision on what is presented to them at this time more or less as a jury. If this is taken to court the City Attorney's would have to sustain what the Council does at this hearing.

Dr. Herrmann felt, perhaps, a copy of a letter pointing out the reasons for the denial by Mr. McLennan be transmitted to the Council and to Mr. Amos.

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After further discussion, Mr. Zatkovich moved to overrule the decision of the License Dept. and grant Mr. Amos a taxi cab driver's license. Seconded by Mr. Bott. Roll call was taken on the motion, resulting as follows: Ayes 4: Bott, Finnigan, Murtland and Zatkovich. Nays 4: Banfield, Cvitanich, Herrmann and Mayor Rasmussen. Motion Lost due to a tie vote.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Communication from Rev. E. S. Brazill, President, Human Relations Commission, confirming a study session with the City Council.

Mayor Rasmussen stated this was a reminder of the meeting with the Human Relations Commission on Thursday, July 18th, 1968 at 3:00 P. M. in the Conference Room.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 19787 (postponed from the meeting of July 9, 1968)

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Amending Rule 3 of the Rules of the Government of the City Council, Res. No. 19774.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Bott.

The Resolution was passed by voice vote.

Ayes 5: Bott, Cvitanich, Finnigan, Herrmann and Murtland.

Nays 3: Banfield, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen. Absent 1, Johnson.

Resolution No. 19789

Awarding contract to Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. on its bid of 30-year tire leasing for the Transit System.

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Mr. Cvitanich moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Banfield.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent, Johnson.

Resolution No. 19790

Awarding contract to Lige Dickson Co. on its bid of \$250,265.42 for IMP. No. 4844-UAB 1128 (4).

Mr. Cvitanich moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Banfield.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Johnson.

Resolution No. 19791

Accepting certain offers to sell real property from Elliott D. Rosenthal, etal for the amount of \$59,250.00 at 1108-12 Market Street.

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Dr. Herrmann moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Murtland.

Mr. James Wright, Urban Renewal Director, explained that this parcel of land is located at 1108-12 Market St. and is owned by the Rosenthal family. The building was built in 1917. There are three tenants. The Department is recommending to the Council the purchase for the amount of \$29,250.00.

Mayor Rasmussen asked where these tenants are to be relocated.

Mr. Wright stated they have not as yet contacted the tenants, but this will be done immediately through the Property Management operation. He added, the firms will be taken in as tenants and they will sign leases with the City. The building could be classed as a dangerous building but it has been considered deficient and blighted to the extent it should be acquired.

Mayor Rasmussen asked that the rental charged by the owner be included in future information for the Council's perusal.

Mr. Wright stated he would submit that information.

Mr. Wright explained the dates that appraisals are made, according to law two different independent firms appraised the property.

Mr. Murtland felt that more information should be obtained on the difference of the appraisals because he thought the market value would not be that different in four years in that area of Tacoma.

After further discussion, Mr. Cvitanich moved to postpone the resolution for two weeks, until June 30th, 1968 for further information. Seconded by Mrs. Banfield. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 19792

Accepting an offer from Chet Paulson in the amount of \$39,000.00 for the purchase of real property situated within the Fawcett Street Urban Renewal Project No. Wash. R-3.

Mr. Bott moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann.

Mr. James Wright, Urban Renewal Director, explained this offer to purchase land in the amount of \$39,000 is from Chet Paulson. Mr. Paulson is a tenant on Commerce St. in the Commonwealth Title Co. building which has been conveyed to the City.

Mr. Chet Paulson explained they wished to remain in the downtown area. Plans have been developed for a one story building, but perhaps, they could be changed for a two story structure.

The Resolution was passed by voice vote.

Ayes 6: Bott, Finnigan, Herrmann, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.

Nays 2: Banfield and Cvitanich. Absent 1, Johnson.

Resolution No. 19793

Accepting an offer from Jacobson & Wall Architects in the amount of \$3,250.00 for the purchase of certain real property situated within the Center Street Urban Renewal Project No. Wash. R-1.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Finnigan.

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Mr. James Wright, Urban Renewal Director, explained that Jacobson & Wall are purchasing the easterly portion of a parcel of land that was previously rejected by the City Council. He added, the next resolution on the agenda has reference to the other portion of the parcel in the Center Street Project. Since just one bid was received on each of these portions of the land, it is felt that it is the best solution. The Jacobson & Wall firm have changed their plans to construct a small architect's office, and the offer is made in the amount of \$3,250.00 for this piece of property.

The Resolution was passed by voice vote.

Ayes 6: Bott, Finnigan, Herrmann, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.

Nays 2: Banfield and Cvitanich. Absent 1, Johnson.

Resolution No. 19794

Accepting an offer from Joseph H. Baker in the amount of \$6,000.00 for the purchase of certain real property situated within the Center Street Urban Renewal Project No. Wash. R-1.

Mr. Murtland moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Bott.

The Resolution was passed by voice vote.

Ayes 6: Bott, Finnigan, Herrmann, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.

Ayes 2: Banfield and Cvitanich. Absent 1, Johnson.

Resolution No. 19795

Appointing John G. Gerla as a member of the City Planning Commission for a term expiring June 30th, 1974.

Mrs. Banfield moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Zatkovich.

Mr. Finnigan and Mr. Murtland wondered why the Council was not consulted before a resolution was prepared appointing Mr. John G. Gerla as a member of the City Planning Commission.

Mayor Rasmussen said, the reason he did not consult the Council was that he did not have sufficient time to consult with them. He thought there should be more meetings with the Council and that the problem points up the need for a full time council. He added, he thought Mr. Gerla was well qualified for the appointment as he was a school teacher for (22) years and has been a land developer and has the ability and time to devote to the job.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Johnson.

Resolution No. 19796

Commending Jay A. Grenley for his years of service as a member and Chairman of the Utility Board and for accepting an additional five-year term.

Mr. Bott moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Johnson.

Resolution No. 19797

Authorizing the execution of agreements designed to save the former Public Safety Building Annex from demolition and provide for the sale and renovation thereof.

Mr. Cvitanich moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Bott.

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, explained he has submitted to the Council at this meeting three separate instruments. An option, an agreement and a contract of Sale relative to this resolution. Mr. McCormick explained that Atlas Building Wreckers of Portland, Oregon were awarded a contract for the demolition of the City Hall Annex, situated next to the Allied Arts Bldg., which was the former Public Safety Building. Prior to the actual execution of the demolition contract, Mr. John P. Wallerich evidenced an interest in purchasing and renovating the annex. As a result of negotiations and a meeting of the City Council which was held at a study session, three instruments were drafted. The Council will note the option is between Mr. Wallerich, Mr. Lowe who is the demolition contractor, and the City. It is an agreement which gives to the City the option for a definite period of time during which this property can be put up for sale and, agreeing they will hold off demolition on their contract.

Mr. McCormick continued, the second instrument is an agreement between Mr. Wallerich and the City, which provides the terms under which Mr. Wallerich is to make a bid on the purchase of the property, setting out the sale and the purchase price and that they will deposit the amount of \$5400 in cash to guarantee the settlement insofar as Mr. Lowe is concerned in the event there is no demolition. The contract of sale can only be executed after the bids have been called for and the successful bidders known.

Mr. McCormick further explained that the new draft that was submitted has minor changes which fills in some of the blanks relative to setting up the number of days during which the option is in effect. In the event it isn't feasible to proceed with the renovation before a certain time the property would be returned to the City, and the City then has a right to proceed under the original demolition contract.

After further discussion, Mr. McCormick explained that a separate agreement will be executed reserving to the City a one-half interest in the southerly wall and foundation on the property and the right and privilege to use the same for all purposes of a party wall, in connection with the property described, adjoining said wall and foundation on the south.

Dr. Herrmann moved to substitute the text of the Option, Agreement, Real Estate Contract, Exhibit A and B, presented to the Council by Mr. McCormick at this meeting, be placed under Resolution No. 19797. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Roll call was taken on the resolution, resulting as follows:

Ayes 5: Bott, Herrmann, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.

Nays 3: Cvitanich, Finnigan and Banfield. Absent 1, Johnson.

The Resolution was declared passed by the Chairman.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 18629

Amending Section 13.06.010 of the Official Code of the City of Tacoma defining car washing facilities.

The ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 18627

Amending Section 6.20.050 of the Official Code of the City of Tacoma providing that the Board of Examiners shall serve without compensation.

(MC-540 Ordinance regarding Bd. of Examiners, Steam Boilers-Engineers and Firemen to serve without compensation)

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager pointed out he had contacted Spokane, Seattle and Portland and had found out that their Examining Boards receive compensation. He felt it should be emphasized that the work of this particular examining Board is somewhat unique in that they are evaluating an individual's capacity to operate and maintain boilers in a safe manner through written and oral examinations. Their efforts are directed toward the public's safety.

Mr. Rowlands further explained, fortunately through the efforts of the Board explosions have not occurred in our City as they have in other cities.

Mr. Cvitanich could not see why one appointed Board of the City be given compensation and not other Boards.

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

- Ayes 3: Banfield, Cvitanich and Mayor Rasmussen.
 - Nays 5: Bott, Finnigan, Herrmann, Murtland and Zatkovich. Absent 1: Johnson.
- The Ordinance was declared Lost by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18628

Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment regulating Gasoline Service Stations.

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, pointed out the amendments which were proposed and submitted to the City Council. He explained that the Title No. 2-Conditional Uses, was deleted and renumbered. The (5) uses listed under said title will come under Title No. 1-Permitted Uses. The wording of these (5) Uses was not changed. Subsection (3) and (4) under Section A--to read Subsections 2 and 3.

Mr. Edgar A. Weymouth, representing the petroleum industry thanked the Council for allowing him to speak before the City Council, aside from the fact they objected to the special use permit being required in a "C-2" district. They felt this was a blow to the free economic system and is unconstitutional.

Mr. Cvitanich moved to amend Pages 4 & 5, Section 13.06.280, subsection A-1 to include the following subsections, "cc, dd, ee, ff and gg." Seconded by Mrs. Banfield. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Mr. Cvitanich moved to amend Section 13.06.280 by deleting subsection A.2 and renumbering A. 3 and A. 4 as A.2 and A.3, respectively. Seconded by Mrs. Banfield. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, explained, another suggested amendment was on Page 8 of the ordinance relative to an appeal filed with the Board of Adjustment to conform with development standards, after the word "matter" in the second line, add the words "not more than sixty days following receipt of such notice of appeal, and give notice by certified mail to the applicants not less than ten days before such hearing at the address which shall be stated in their notice of appeal." Mr. Cvitanich moved that the amendment be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Murtland.

Mayor Rasmussen moved to amend the motion that the final decision be made by the Council on an appeal as the same procedure being followed on rezoning matters. The motion lost for the want of a second.

Voice vote was taken on Mr. Cvitanich's motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Finnigan and Dr. Herrmann explained they would vote against the ordinance as amended, as they felt it was too restrictive.

Mayor Rasmussen also said he would vote against the ordinance, not because of the restrictions, but, he felt the ordinance does not leave the final appeal of a decision to the elected officials. The only recourse a person has after a decision by the Board of Adjustment would be in the Superior Court.

After some discussion, roll call was taken on the ordinance as amended, resulting as follows:

- Ayes 5: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Murtland and Zatkovich.
 - Nays 3: Finnigan, Herrmann and Mayor Rasmussen. Absent 1, Johnson.
- The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

UNFINISHED and/or NEW BUSINESS

A letter from C. A. Erdahl, Director of Utilities, was read relative to the requirements for a general management Survey of the Dept. of Public Utilities, to be performed at intervals of not more than ten years. It noted that the Utility Board had received letters of inquiry and tentative proposals from four companies who have indicated an interest in performing the survey in the event it is the determination of the Council that another such survey should be made at this time.

Mayor Rasmussen stated, it was the feeling of the Public Utility Board to allow the updating of the 1964 Ford, Bacon & Davis report, together with additional emphasis on the Water and Belt Line Divisions, which would completely satisfy the Charter requirements, and this could be accomplished in 1969, which would postpone the survey one year, and be more economical to the City.

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, stated he had discussed this matter with Mr. Benedetti, Assistant Director of Utilities, and his staff felt that under the circumstances this would comply with the provisions of the ordinance, Charter and Bond covenant. He felt the State Auditor's staff would agree on the Council's determination.

Mr. Bott moved to approve the recommendation of the Public Utility Board, that the survey be postponed until 1969 on the basis that the 1964 report of Ford, Bacon & Davis Inc. does substantially comply and is a Management Audit of the Water, Belt Line and Light Divisions of the Utility Dept. and complies with the intent and purposes of Section 4.15 of the City Charter. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Mayor Rasmussen asked Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, to prepare a letter to the Public Utility Board regarding the action taken by the Council on this matter.

Mayor Rasmussen stated he had received letters from Brock Adams, M. C. and Henry M. Jackson, U. S. Senator, in regard to the City Council's resolution to raise the personal income tax exemption from \$600 to \$1000 for each person. He noted that all the Congressmen and Senators have agreed it should be raised.

Mayor Rasmussen mentioned that another Salmon Bake is tomorrow night, starting at 4:30 P. M. at Owens Beach at Pt. Defiance and free buses are available from the parking area to the Beach.

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Mr. Zatkovich brought up that a number of months ago an attorney was instructing police officers at the Police Academy. This attorney had written a letter to the Police Dept. stating he had heard that Chief Zittel did not wish him to continue as an instructor as he is now representing the Police Union. The attorney stated in order not to have any conflict, he would resign as the instructor. This letter was answered by Chief Zittel who accepted his resignation.

Mr. Zatkovich continued that later a letter was written by the attorney to Chief Zittel, stating he wished to withdraw his resignation because many police officers had contacted him asking that he withdraw his resignation and his letter was not answered.

Chief Zittel explained he had received a letter of resignation from the person in question and had answered it thanking him for his services. However, when the second letter was received, he submitted it to either the City Manager's office or the Legal office.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, said in discussing the matter with Chief Zittel, it was felt there were other persons on the City's legal staff who were also qualified in this field.

Mr. Zatkovich remarked that he thought the second letter received from this attorney should have definitely been answered.

Mayor Rasmussen reported that the Smelter had been violating the No. 1-Air Pollution Control regulation numerous times. The agency has stated they will send a letter to the Smelter informing them they will have to take positive steps to correct the pollution.

A copy of an order from the Puget Sound Air Pollution Control Agency dated July 11th, 1968 to the Tacoma Smelter, was read by the Deputy City Clerk, and it stated that after July 31st, 1968 any violations shall be subject to enforcement by appropriate legal action.

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Mayor Rasmussen stated it is hoped that a new method could be found to eliminate the present pollution.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, stated there is now a coordinated Air Pollution Control Agency and these matters can be taken up with them.

Mayor Rasmussen said the Agency is very cognizant of these problems and is working diligently on them.

Mr. Bott asked if a quorum of Council members would be available to attend the meeting with the Human Relations Commission on July 18th at 3 P. M. in the Conference room.

Mayor Rasmussen hoped a quorum would be present. Dr. Herrmann, Mr. Finnigan, 233 Mr. Bott and the Mayor indicated they would attend. Mr. Murtland had stated he would be present if a Court case concludes in Autumn.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER:

a. MC-541 Minimum Housing Code Enforcement.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, explained in detail the circumstances surrounding inspection of the properties at 2218 Ea. Sherman and 2216 Ea. Sherman in Tacoma. Mayor Rasmussen requested that Mr. Rowlands furnish his office with a list of owners who are complaining regarding their neighbor's homes.

Mrs. L. B. Wood of 2218 Ea. Sherman, who was present, stated she had been very upset because she had not been present at the time of the inspection. She also noted that the owner of the property next to her property has lived there for one year.

Mr. Rowlands explained in detail the circumstances of the inspection at Mrs. Wood's home. He noted that the inspection team has been inspecting Roosevelt Heights as well as other sections of the City.

Mayor Rasmussen asked that the inspection team concentrate on the dangerous buildings rather than minor repairs of buildings.

Dr. Herrmann felt the ordinance should be reviewed as the inspectors are acting in accordance with the ordinance.

Mrs. Wood mentioned that Mr. Ralph Clair of the Housing Inspection team gave a talk at her Club explaining that the City had funds to repair their streets. She wondered why they had not started repairing the streets.

Mr. Rowlands stated it must have been a misunderstanding and would look into the matter.

Mr. Cvitanich asked that a study session be called for the re-evaluation of the ordinance on dangerous buildings and home improvements.

b. MC-542 Use of the GED Tests in Lieu of a High School Diploma for Acceptance of Applications for Police Patrolman.

Mr. Rowlands explained that the Cities of Seattle, Spokane and Portland, Oregon as well as Bremerton all use the GED tests which are used in lieu of a high school diploma on the latest examination announcement for Police Patrolmen. He added, the City of Tacoma accepts passing scores on the GED Tests for all classes of employment requiring high school educations, except that of Police Patrolmen. He felt it was not a question of downgrading as an individual has to pass the GED examination and meet all the other physical requirements.

Mr. Zatkovich said there is no reason to lower the standards for the examinations for Policemen, and it certainly is demoralizing to the Department. He therefore requested that a resolution be placed on the next agenda indicating that the City would not lower the standards by accepting the GED Test for Patrolmen.

Charles Zittel, Chief of Police, felt that an applicant who takes the GED test would have a very high passing grade and perhaps, be an exceptional person, as he would be competing with high school graduates. Therefore, he felt the standards were

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not being lowered. He noted, if the examination is delayed again, the time of the basic training classes will be less.

Mr. Zatkovich felt as long as there are enough applicants and the officers in the department are unhappy about such an arrangement, this should not even be considered.

Mr. Rowlands stated, if he felt this was a lowering of standards he would be the first one to object to the proposal.

COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Mrs. Banfield inquired if Chief Zittel had recently had anyone asking about abandoned ice boxes in the City.

Chief Zittel stated a request such as this would probably not come to his office.

Mrs. Banfield stated she had reported last Wednesday to Mr. Rowlands that in an alley between So. 10th and 11th near K St., and behind a business establishment, there were refrigerators, stoves and washing machines with catches that had not been removed. She had checked again today and the same condition existed.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, stated, an investigation was made today and Mr. Button, Chief of the Buildings Division, had checked and he had called him just before this meeting, advising him that the locks were off of these appliances and it would be impossible for a child to suffocate. He would be happy to recheck the situation if Mrs. Banfield wished.

Mrs. Banfield stated she had checked just before Council meeting and there are locks on the refrigerators. She felt the penalty of \$300 a day should be charged the firm if they have not complied with instructions.

Mrs. Banfield continued, she did not understand about Tacoma Area's Coalition since they have eliminated themselves from the City of Tacoma, and they are still using City employees. A meeting was held last night and two resolutions were passed by them, one of which concerned the City's CRP. She stated the Coalition intends to send these resolutions to Secretary Weaver in Washington, D. C. The one on the Model Cities Demonstration grant was passed by that committee. She wished to know what information Mr. Hodges has that the Council and Mr. Rowlands do not have.

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Mr. Rowlands explained he knew nothing about the action taken last night because he only attended part of the meeting.

Mayor Rasmussen stated he had been informed that the Model Cities funds have been cut.

Mayor Rasmussen stated there is a meeting at noon in the Old City Hall on Friday, July 19th, 1968 to review this structure with the Civic Arts Commission.

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Mayor Rasmussen requested that an ordinance be prepared that when a person received a parking ticket violation, he can insert (10¢) in an envelope and deposit it with the nearest merchant. This would be an encouragement for people to shop downtown.

Mayor Rasmussen stated, as he recalled it was left to the Mayor to contact the School Board about a joint meeting with the City Council. He wondered why Mr. John H. Anderson, President of the Board of Education of the Tacoma School District No. 10, had written Mr. Rowlands instead of the Mayor as he had not contacted the Board. He also wondered why Mr. Anderson requested a detailed agenda on what matters are to be discussed.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, stated that Mr. John Anderson had called him either Wednesday or Thursday morning of last week and Mr. Anderson asked him to write a letter to the Council informing them of the Board's decision. Mr. Anderson had also called yesterday, July 15th, stating the Board will be happy to have the Council meet with them at the Central School.

Mayor Rasmussen stated, perhaps, an agenda can be prepared so that a meeting can be arranged.

Mayor Rasmussen asked if funds have been granted for the O. D. I. rat control program and wondered if a new clerical staff was to be appointed.

Mr. Rowlands said funds have not been granted; if and when they are granted, O. D. I. will sub-contract with the Environmental Health Division to run the program. Basically the program provides added resources to the existing City program so more extensive control measures may be employed. A training program is included for low income personnel and he did not know of any new clerical staff, he added.

Mayor Rasmussen asked Mr. Rowlands to submit a report on this matter.

Mayor Rasmussen asked what the final date is for the adoption of the 1969 budget.

Mr. Rowlands stated the preliminary budget is submitted on Sept. 10th, 1968 and the final budget will have to be adopted by October 11th, 1968.

Mayor Rasmussen requested that a Resolution be brought in amending the Council Rules so that Items and Reports Filed with the City Clerk comes after Unfinished and/or New Business instead of at the end of the agenda.

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, stated he would prepare a resolution to that effect.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Request from Paul C. Perdue to speak regarding the City Manager.

Mayor Rasmussen remarked that according to the City Council Rules any communication from a citizen should be submitted to the Council with the agenda. Since this letter wasn't submitted to the Council he could not allow Mr. Perdue to speak.

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Mr. Bott felt that inasmuch as the item was on the agenda Mr. Perdue should be given permission to speak.

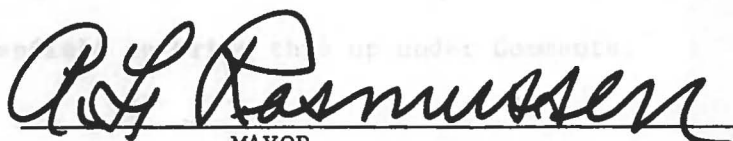
Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, explained the letter was inadvertently overlooked and was not sent out with other agenda matters to the City Council members.

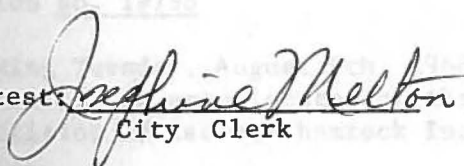
Mr. Murtland moved to Suspend the Rules of the City Council that restricts this particular citizen from speaking tonight. Seconded by Mr. Finnigan. Roll call was taken. Ayes 4: Bott, Finnigan, Herrmann and Murtland. Nays 4: Banfield, Cvitanich, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen. Absent 1. Johnson. Motion Lost.

ITEMS AND REPORTS FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK:

Report from Municipal Court of Tacoma for the month of June 1967 & 1968.

Mr. Finnigan moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Mr. Bott. Voice vote taken. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:55 P. M.


MAYOR

Attest: 
City Clerk