

COUNCIL CHAMBER, 7:44 P. M.

Monday, July 29, 1957.

Council met in regular session. Present on roll call 6: Battin, Bratrud, Humiston, Perdue and Mayor Anderson; Mr. Tollefson taking his seat at 8:00 P. M. Absent Humiston, Stojack.

It was moved by Dr. Battin, seconded by Mr. Jensen, 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 dispensed with. Motion carried. Ayes 6; Nays 0.

MOTION:

Motion No. 15072: (L I D 2279)*

BRATRUD:

Fixing August 20, 1957 as date for hearing on L I D 2279—grading and placing gravel and oil mat surface on South Fife Street from South 38th to So. 39th and on South Street from Fife to Prospect; also storm drainage.

Adopted on roll call July 29, 1957.
Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 3; Humiston, Stojack, Tollefson.

Motion No. 15073:

TOLLEFSON: (L I D 2283)*

Fixing August 20, 1957 as the date for hearing on L I D 2283—oil mat seal coat laid over an existing oil mat on Montgomery Street from South 74th Street to South 76th Street.

Adopted on roll call July 29, 1957.
Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 3; Humiston, Stojack, Tollefson.

Motion No. 15074:

ORDERING:

Awarding contract to International Harvester Company for furnishing one International Model A-184 Truck Cab and Chassis on their low and best bid of \$4,234.52 plus sales tax.

Adopted on roll call July 29, 1957.
Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 3; Humiston, Stojack, Tollefson.

Motion No. 15075:

ORDERING:

Awarding contract to Rogers Construction Company for L I D 1968 on its bid of \$13.93 plus sales tax on Items 4-11 and supplemental bid of \$751.50 plus sales tax on Items 3 and 4, (lowest and best bid).

Adopted on roll call July 29, 1957.
Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 3; Humiston, Stojack, Tollefson.

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Resolution No. 15076:By ANDERSON:

Establishing a ten minute parking zone in front of 423 South J Street.

Dr. Battin asked Mr. Rowlands to explain the reason for establishing this zone. Mr. Rowlands stated that last June 24th Mr. R.W. Robbins, owner of the Robbins Grocery, petitioned the City Council to establish a ten-minute parking zone. The petition was referred to the Traffic Engineer who made a survey of the parking situation in the area and found that cars were parked for several hours at a time, which left no space for customer parking. The Traffic Engineer has recommended this parking zone be established, Mr. Rowlands explained.

Adopted on roll call July 29, 1957.

Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 3; Humiston, Stojack, Tollefson.

Mayor Anderson asked Mr. Rowlands to have a parking survey made of the area in front of the Railroad Offices at 9th and Pacific Avenue. He said the entire area in front of these offices is taken up by a bus stop, and complaints have been made that when customers stop momentarily to transact business they receive parking tickets. Mayor Anderson asked if something could be worked out for the benefit of business in this area in regard to parking space for customers.

Resolution No. 15077:By ANDERSON:

Appropriating \$850.00 from Cumulative Reserve Fund for Maintenance and Operation and Capital Outlay for purchase of one portable scaffolding for use in the Public Works Department.

Mr. Rowlands stated that in the past the City has been paying \$500 a year for rental for this type of equipment and he believed, that in the best interests of the City, it would be better to purchase the scaffolding and eliminate this high rental fee.

Adopted on roll call July 29, 1957.

Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 3; Humiston, Stojack, Tollefson.

Resolution No. 15078:By BRATRUD:

Authorizing sale of Item No. 1, 1951 Plymouth Suburban to A. Wall for \$312.50 plus sales tax; Item No. 2, 1953 Willys Station Wagon to G. H. Alexander for \$657.00 plus sales tax and rejecting bids for Items Nos. 3 to 8 inclusive.

Mr. Dean Barline, Director of Utilities, was asked to explain why so many of the bids were rejected. He stated that, except for Items 1 and 2, the bids received were too low, and that the remaining cars can be used as trade-ins when new cars are purchased.

Adopted on roll call July 29, 1957.

Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 3; Humiston, Stojack, Tollefson.

Resolution No. 15079:By GOERING:

Authorizing the City Attorney to enter into a stipulation and proceed to a judgment for the acquisition of certain facilities of Puget Sound Power and Light Company as set forth in Exhibit "A" for the sum of \$560,272.00.

Mayor Anderson stated that this purchase was made possible several years ago under a former Council, and the Utilities Department set aside the money at that time. He added that the Utilities Department advised that everything is in order and that approximately 1500 new customers will be served by this purchase.

Mr. Barline stated that by negotiating with the Puget Sound Power and Light Co. they were able to reduce the purchase price from \$900,000 to the present figure of \$560,272.00, and added that this was the actual value of the property, less depreciation.

Mr. Jensen asked what the gross revenue will be by this addition, and Mr. Barline replied that they had checked and found it will be approximately \$170,000 per year. It was also asked how long it would take to pay back the investment and Mr. Barline said that it will take less than ten years.

Adopted on roll call July 29, 1957.

Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 3; Humiston, Stojack, Tollefson.

Resolution No. 15080:

By HUMISTON:

Authorizing the purchase of the facilities and distribution system of the University Place Water Company, for \$1,081.00, identified as Exhibit "K".

Adopted on roll call July 29, 1957.

Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Humiston, Stojack.

Resolution No. 15081:

By BRATRUD:

Appropriating \$206.73 from Sundry Expense Fund for payment of moving expense of George D. Smith, Executive Assistant to the City Manager, from Seattle to Tacoma.

Adopted on roll call July 29, 1957.

Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Humiston, Stojack.

Resolution No. 15082:

By ANDERSON:

Authorizing the Retirement Board to purchase City of Tacoma Local Improvement District Bonds and Warrants on a 5% interest rate, such interest rate to be adjusted according to market fluctuations.

Mr. Rowlands requested that Resolution 15082 be postponed for two weeks as Dr. Humiston, who is vitally interested in this Resolution, will be absent until that time. Mr. Pattin moved that the Resolution be set over for two weeks to August 12th. Motion seconded by Mr. Tollefson and carried on roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Humiston, Stojack.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 15922:

Amending Section 13.06.130 of the Charter and Official Code by adding thereto a new Section to be known as section 13.06.130(2)-property located on the East side of South 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 placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15923:

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 1.675 "Review of Promotional Appointments". Read by title and placed in order of

final reading.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Director of Public Works presents the assessment rolls for the cost of the improvement in the following Local Improvement Districts:

L I D 1967 - sanitary sewers on Junett Street from So. 40th to So. 45th Streets;

L I D 4592 - grading, asphalt paving, concrete curb and gutter on South L Street from So. 70th to So. 72nd Street; storm sewer on So. 70th Street from South M to South L Street

It was moved by Mr. Perdue, seconded by Dr. Battin, that September 3, 1957 be fixed as the date for hearing on the assessment rolls. Motion carried on roll call: Ayes 7; Nays Absent 2; Humiston, Stojack.

The hearing on the petition of H. E. Wood, et al, for vacation of South 16th Street from Monroe to Tyler and Tyler to Mason Avenue, was considered at this time. The Clerk reported the posting of the notices required by law and the filing of an affidavit of such posting. Also reported that a fee of \$100.00 had been paid by the petitioner and that no remonstrances had been filed against the proposed vacation. Mr. R.C. Buehler,

Director of Planning was asked to brief the Council on this vacation. He stated that at the time of the hearing by the Planning Commission, the Public Utility Department requests that service easements be obtained from property owners for presently located residences and for those that might be built in the future. He also stated that the Public Works Department has no objection to the vacation, however, there is an existing cable on telephone poles which run north and south between Blocks 37, 38 and 45, 46. Mr. Calkins, City Engineer advised in a letter to the Planning Commission that the Pacific Telephone Company may have easements on this line, and that easement rights through this vacated street should also be obtained. Mr. Buehler stated that the Planning Commission recommends the vacation be approved, subject to easements. It was moved by Dr. Battin, seconded by Mr. Perdue that the petition be granted, subject to the necessary easements, and the City Attorney be instructed to draw an ordinance vacating South 16th Street from Monroe to Tyler and Tyler to Mason Avenue. Motion carried on roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Humiston, Stojack.

ITEMS RECEIVED FOR FILING IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- * Report of Tacoma Transit System- Report for June, 1957 and 1956 and 6 months of 1957.
- ✓ Monthly Financial Report - Belt Line Division for June, 1957.
- * Monthly Financial Report - Water Division - June, 1957.

Upon motion, duly seconded and carried, Council then adjourned at 8:14 P. M.

Attest:

Josephine Melton
City Clerk.

John H. Wood
President of City Council.