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COUNCIL CHAMBER, 7:30 P. M.

Monday, August 13, 1956.

Council met in regular session. Present 6; Bratrud, Humiston, Perdue, Stojack, Tollefson, Mayor Anderson. Absent 3; Battin, Goering, Jensen.

It was moved by Mr. Bratrud, seconded by Dr. Humiston, 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. Mr. Perdue called attention to the statement in the next to the last paragraph of the minutes, which he thought implied negligence on the part of City Manager Rowlands in not advising the Council that bids on the new graders for the Public Works Department had been rejected by the Board of Contracts and Awards. As this occurred before Mr. Rowlands assumed the office of City Manager, he felt this fact should be so stated in the minutes, Mr. Perdue said. He then moved that the minutes be so amended. Motion seconded by Mr. Tollefson and carried unanimously. Roll was then called on the motion to approve the minutes (as amended) which carried unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 14742. ✕ L I D 5281. 488

BY HUMISTON:

Fixing Tuesday, September 4th, 1956 as the date for hearing on the installation of cast iron water mains in South 19th Street from Adams Street to Durango Street, and in Durango Street from South 17th Street to South 19th Street.

Adopted on roll call August 13, 1956.
Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 3; Battin, Goering, Jensen.

Resolution No. 14743.

By HUMISTON:

Authorizing the execution of a right of way agreement with Pacific Northwest Pipeline Corporation across two water distribution mains in Collins Road and in City's Pipeline Road.

Adopted on roll call August 13, 1956.
Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 3; Battin, Goering, Jensen.

Resolution No. 14744. ✕ L I D 4613.

By JENSEN:

Fixing Tuesday, September 4, 1956 as the date for hearing for installation of 40' asphaltic concrete paving, curbs and gutters and driveways and installing necessary storm drainage on L Street from South 35th to South 39th, also on Cushman and Ainsworth from South 37th to 38th Streets; and storm sewer only on South 35th Street from M to L Streets. Mr. Perdue inquired about paragraph 3 of the Resolution, which fixed the price assessed to property at \$7.70 per front foot for 40-foot asphalt paving, curb and gutter, and asked whether it is to be a general procedure to set the cost in advance. Mr. Staman was asked to make a report on this matter. 499

Adopted on roll call August 13, 1956.
Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 3; Battin, Goering, Jensen.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 15669.

Amending Section 9 (a) of Ordinance No. 14039, providing for a retirement and pension system for superannuated and disabled officers and employes of the City. (providing that no more than two employe members of the Board of Administration shall be from either the Utility or General Fund Departments and setting forth procedures for election of said Board). Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15670.

Authorizing the establishment and maintenance of special or petty cash funds and working advances in certain departments, offices and boards of the City; and repealing all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15671. L I D 1947.

Approving and confirming the assessment and assessment roll for cost of improvement in L I D 1947 for sewers in the alley between Verde and Stevens from the north to the south boundary of Puget Sound 1st Addition; also in Stevens Street from the North to the south boundary of said addition, also on the south line of said addition from Stevens Street west approximately 450'. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15672. L I D 2235.

Approving and confirming assessment and assessment roll for cost of improvement in L I D 2235 for grading and surfacing North James Street from North 17th Street to 300 feet south of North 11th Street. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15673. L I D 4574.

Approving and confirming assessment and assessment roll for cost of improvement in L I D 4574 for asphaltic paving in the alley between North 21st and North 22nd Street from 234 feet west of Cedar Street to Cedar Street. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15674.

Vacating North 37th Street from Union Avenue to Puget Sound Avenue, except the alley located therein; and retaining and reserving easements therein for the construction, repair and maintenance of public utilities and services. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15675. L I D 2253.

Providing for the improvement of South 76th Street from J Street to Thompson Avenue, Thompson Avenue from South 77th Street to South 78th Street, I Street from South 76th Street to South 78th Street by grading, oil mat and storm drainage; creating Local Improvement District No. 2253. Read by title. Mr. Tollefson said there were some people in the audience tonight who were interested in this improvement. Mr. M. H. Mohler of 7638 South I Street, alleged that the petition for this improvement had been altered after the property owners had signed it, as it was originally drawn up to read "Thompson Avenue from South 76th to South 78th" and then was later changed to read "Thompson Avenue from South 77th to South 78th". He asked if this could be legally changed after the signatures were obtained. The petition was referred to the City Attorney for investigation and report. The ordinance was then placed in order of final reading.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Director of Public Works presents the Assessments and Assessment Rolls for the cost of the improvements in the following local improvement districts:

L I D 1949- sanitary sewers from the existing manhole 145 feet south of South 80th Street, thence continuing northward between South K Street and South L Street, approximately 520 feet; 267
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L I D 2187- concrete sidewalks on North 27th Street from Stevens Street to Tyler Street; on North 27th Street from Tyler to approximately 124 feet east (north side only) and on North Stevens Street from North 27th Street north to the Alley (east side only); 243
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L I D 2223- gravel and crushed rock oil mat on alley between South Tacoma Way and Puget Sound Avenue from South 60th Street to South 62nd Street; 52
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L I D 4590- paving and storm sewers on Boundary Street from Center Street south 100 feet. 243
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It was Moved by Dr. Humiston, seconded by Mr. Perdue that September 18th, 1956 be fixed as the date for hearing on said assessment rolls. Motion carried on roll call: Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 3; Battin, Goering, Jensen.

The Director of Utilities presents the assessment and assessment roll for the cost of the improvement in L I D 5255 for Cast Iron Watermains in East 55th Street and East 57th Street from McKinley Avenue to East L Street, and in East L Street from East 55th Street to East 57th Street. It was moved by Dr. Humiston, seconded by Mr. Perdue that September 18, 1956 be fixed as the date for hearing on the above assessment roll. Motion carried on roll call: Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 3; Battin, Goering, Jensen. 164
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Dr. Humiston reported that to date there has been no interest displayed by either the public or Council members in submitting suggestions of possible charter amendments. In view of this lack of interest he has not called a meeting of the committee of which he is chairman, which was appointed by the Mayor under the provisions of Res. # 14542. Mr. Stojack said it was his understanding that this Committee was to study the Charter and make recommendations for changes as well as receive suggestions from others. Mayor Anderson said he had a couple of suggestions for amendments which he would give Dr. Humiston for consideration by the Committee. 311
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Mr. Tollefson asked if the opinion requested by the L I D Committee on L I D 5279 (installation of cast iron water mains in South 18th Street from Wilton Road to Crystal Springs Road) had been received. The Clerk read this opinion, which was rendered by Frank Bannon, Chief Assistant City Attorney. Mr. Bannon in his opinion stated that recently a complaint had been made that ten homes on South 18th Street were receiving water service from the University Place Water Co. on a small sub-standard main that provided inadequate service without the addition of other homes, and that this sale of water by outside organizations other than the Tacoma Water Division is prohibited by Section 4.7 of the City Charter; that the Water Division initiated the formation of an L I D which would provide adequate water service for the expansion of the area and pending completion of the improvement no action has been taken to require the University Place Water Co. to discontinue the sale of water in the City; that remonstrances amounting to 60.64% have been filed against L I D 5279 and the City Council under State Statutes is without authority to proceed with this district and the only solution apparent to their office is to form a new district and withhold any action against the University Place Water Co. until City water mains may be installed so that the residents may continue to receive water service. The situation was discussed at length. Dr. Humiston expressed himself as being opposed to any drastic action 448
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which would leave residents without water service until the City is in a position to deliver water, even though it is illegal for University Place Water Co. to render this service. Mr. Stojack suggested that those involved be informed of the conditions under which they are receiving water service. Dr. Humiston said in his opinion it would be a question of educating the property owners before an L I D for water mains in this area can receive favorable action. After further discussion, the matter was referred back to the Utility Department for additional study and recommendation.

The City Manager submitted a copy of the "Minutes of the meeting on Leach Creek Storm Drainage Problems held August 3, 1956" to each member of the City Council as promised at the last meeting of the Council. He hoped to have a complete report on this matter by next week Mr. Rowlands stated.

City Manager Rowlands furnished each Council member with M C-90 on the subject of the County-City Jail Wing. Mr. Rowlands reviewed this communication for Council's information. He stated that definite action must be taken shortly if a proposition is to be placed on the November ballot. The matter was discussed and it was the opinion of Council members that a meeting should be held with the County Commissioners on this subject before the Council makes any recommendation. The City Manager was directed to arrange such a meeting for some day this week, preferably at 5 P. M., and to notify Council members of the date and time.

Mayor Anderson called attention to the Fife Incorporation Hearing, which is to be held Tuesday night at the Court House. He asked Mr. Perdue to act as spokesman for the City officials and called upon the Council for a volunteer to attend this meeting with Mr. Perdue and himself. Mr. Tollefson said he would attend.

X Mr. Tollefson asked City Manager Rowlands to make a report to the Council of the numerous requests for pay increases and increases in personnel, and the impact these increases will have on the 1957 Budget.

X James Muir of 4805 North 14th Street appeared before the Council and protested the tearing up of his street without any notice being given to any of the residents. He asked the City to put the street back the way it was before the City Crew appeared. The procedure followed in these instances by the Public Works Department was explained to Mr. Muir.

Upon motion, duly seconded and carried, Council then adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

Attest:

Josephine Mecton
City Clerk.

John H. Anderson
President of City Council.