

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers  
February 18, 1975

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m.

Present on roll call: 9 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick and Mayor Johnston. Absent: 0.

The Flag Salute was led by Mr. Warnick.

Mayor Johnston moved to suspend the rules in order to hear a presentation by Mr. William Brown on an audit of the Tax and License Department. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mayor Johnston distributed copies of the Knight, Vale & Gregory report on the Tax and License Department.

Mr. Brown, representing Knight, Vale & Gregory reviewed briefly the contents of the report pointing out recommendations in the area of taxpayer audits and that an indepth review of the department be made in order to make a valid decision on the recommendation of combining it with the Finance Department.

Mayor Johnston asked members of the Council to review the report for further discussion and consideration.

Mr. Hudson suggested that Mr. Donaldson set up some sort of format of all Knight, Vale & Gregory audits showing the recommendations, management's viewpoint and the status of the recommendations on a continuing basis.

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PROCLAMATIONS:

Mayor Johnston proclaimed the week of March 2 through 8, 1975 as "Nutrition Week" in the City of Tacoma.

Mayor Johnston proclaimed the week of March 2 through 8, 1975 as "Housing for the Handicapped Week" in the City of Tacoma.

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C O N S E N T   A G E N D A

Approval of the minutes of the meeting of February 11, 1975.

PETITIONS:

RICHARD D. LEONE requesting the rezone of the property located on the southwest corner of South 72nd and Alaska Streets from an "R-4-L" to an "R-4-LT" District.

For referral to the Planning Commission.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 23223

Fixing Monday, March 10, 1975 at 4:00 p.m. as the date for hearing L.I.D. 5552 for construction of water mains and fire hydrants in 126th Street East from 98th Avenue East, east to Meridian Street.

Resolution No. 23224

Fixing Monday, March 10, 1975 at 4:00 p.m. as the date for hearing L.I.D. 8068 for paving of alley between So. Alder and South Cedar Street from So. 45th to So. 47th Street.

Resolution No. 23225

Fixing Monday, March 10, 1975 at 4:00 p.m. as the date for hearing L.I.D. 8070 for permanent paving in alley between So. Madison and So. Monroe Street from So. 66th to So. 67th Street and sidewalks on the north side of 67th from Madison to Monroe and other nearby streets.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of Board of Administration of the Tacoma Employees' Retirement System meeting of December 30, 1974.
- b. Minutes of the Tacoma City Planning Commission meeting of January 20, 1975.
- c. Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting of January 22, 1975.
- d. Minutes of the Tacoma Model Cities Program Land Use Review Board meeting of February 3, 1975.
- e. Minutes of the Tacoma Shoreline Master Program Citizens' Advisory Committee meeting of January 5, 1975.
- f. Minutes of the Housing and Community Development Advisory Committee meetings of February 3, 6 and 10, 1975.
- g. Progress report from the Executive Director of the Tacoma/Pierce County Bicentennial Commission.
- h. Monthly report, Clerk of Municipal Court, January 31, 1975.
- i. Report, Traffic Violations & Court Cases During the month of January, 1974 & 1975, Municipal Court.
- j. Annual Program Report for Grant Period November 1, 1973 through October 31, 1974, Program Management System - City Planning Department.
- k. Quarterly Report, Fourth Reporting Quarter 1974, Program Management System - City Planning Department, January 31, 1975.

Mrs. Egan moved that all of the items listed on the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 23223, 23224 and 23225 be approved. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann.

Voice vote was taken and carried. The items were declared approved.

REGULAR AGENDA

COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. Legislative Report by Mel Gaumer, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor.

Mel Gaumer reported on various bills in the State Legislature of concern to the City. The Council took the information under advisement with no formal action taken.

- b. Roger Howeler, Executive Secretary, Tacoma Employees' Retirement System, submitting for Council's concurrence the Board of Administration's statement to the Washington State Select Committee on Pensions.

Mr. Howeler reviewed for Council the Legislature's proposed consolidation of all public pension systems in the State and the affect it would have on the City, the members remaining in the City's pension system and the new employees.

Mr. Sonntag moved to concur with the position taken by the Board of Administration of the Tacoma Employees' Retirement System. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried.

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FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 20335      Vacating the North 50 feet of the alley between Monroe and Tyler Streets from So. 17th Street to vacated So. 16th Street. (Joe T. Alongi and Clifton Fournier)

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick and Mayor Johnston.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20336      Appropriating the sum of \$189,432.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Federal Shared Revenue Fund for the purpose of creating and establishing a Summer Youth Employment Program.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick and Mayor Johnston.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20337

Accepting the sum of \$30,000.00 from the National Science Foundation and appropriating \$30,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the third year operation of the Totem One Technology Transfer Program, declaring an emergency and making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick and Mayor Johnston.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20338

Providing for the improvement of L.I.D. 3748 for construction of sanitary sewers in Ea. 72nd St. from approx. 200 feet east of Portland Avenue, east 170 feet and from Homestead Circle to easement north of Ea. 72nd, lying east of Ea. "T" St.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick and Mayor Johnston.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20339

Providing for the improvement of L.I.D. 3752 for sanitary sewers in 30th St. N.E. from 49th Ave. N.E. to 53rd Ave. N.E.; 57th Ave. N.E. from 27th St. N.E. to 31st St. N.E. and other nearby streets.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick and Mayor Johnston.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20340

Providing for the improvement of L.I.D. 3757 for sanitary sewers in 40th Ave. N.E. from Brown's Point Blvd. to 33rd St. N.E.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick and Mayor Johnston.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20341 Providing for the improvement of L.I.D. 3759 for construction of sanitary sewers in No. 32nd from No. Pine to No. White St.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick and Mayor Johnston.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20342 Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L.I.D. 5533 for construction of water mains and fire hydrants in McKinley Avenue from East 84th to East 86th and in East 86th from East "G" Street to McKinley Avenue.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick and Mayor Johnston.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20343 Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L.I.D. 6940 for installation of street lights at intersections along Beverly Ave. N.E. and Frances Ave. N.E. from 51st St. N.E. to 55th St. N.E. and Broadview Ave. N.E. from 52nd St. N.E. to 55th St. N.E.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Moss, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick and Mayor Johnston.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 20344 Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to add the N.W. corner of So. 54th and Ferry Streets from an "R-2" to an "R-3" District. (Conifer Developments, Inc.)

Russ Buehler, Planning Department Director, reviewed the rezone request. He advised that the Planning Commission held a hearing on January 20, 1975 and approved the rezone with certain conditions. Under Ordinance 20266, effective January 1, 1975, Council no longer holds hearings on rezone requests. After the Planning Commission (Hearings Examiner) approval, the ordinance comes to the City Council for first reading. The Council must base its decision on the hearing held by the Planning Commission. Final reading of the ordinance will occur when all

conditions, restrictions, or modifications have been accomplished.

Council made no modifications. Final reading of the Ordinance will be scheduled when all conditions of the Planning Commission have been met.

Ordinance No. 20345 Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to add the Southwest corner of So. 38th St. and Sheridan Ave. from an "R-2" and "R-3" to an "R-4-LT" District. (Irvin H. Miller)

Mr. Buehler reviewed the rezone request for Council. Council made no modification. Final reading of the Ordinance will be scheduled when all conditions of the Planning Commission have been met.

Ordinance No. 20346 Naming an unnamed extension of Portland Avenue northerly from Bay Street and changing the name of Canal Street to Portland Avenue.

Ron Button, City Engineer, explained to Council the reasons for the naming of these streets as Portland Avenue.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 20347 Appropriating \$37,500.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Federal Shared Revenue Fund for the purpose of establishing and operating the Homemaker Home Health Aide Program to be administered by the Health Department.

Herb Kuzniczci, Budget/Personnel Supervisor of the Health Department, reviewed the program and answered questions of Council members.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 20348 Appropriating \$20,107.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Federal Shared Revenue Fund for the purpose of establishing and operating the Eastside Health Clinic to be administered by the Health Department.

Mr. Kuzniczci reviewed the program and answered questions of Council.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 20349 Appropriating \$40,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Federal Shared Revenue Fund for the purpose of establishing and operating Mary Bridge Pre-Natal and Infant Nutrition Program to be administered by the Health Department.

Mr. Kuzniczci reviewed the program and answered questions of Council.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 20350 Appropriating \$20,499.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Federal Shared Revenue Fund for the purpose of establishing and operating a Poison Information Center to be administered by the Health Department.

Mr. Kuzniczci reviewed the program and answered questions of Council.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 20351 Amending Chapter 6.62 of the Official Code relative to admissions tax on Bowling, Ice and Roller Skating.

Mrs. Egan moved that the ordinance be removed from the Agenda. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried.

The Ordinance was removed from the agenda.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 23210 (Continued from the meeting of February 4th)  
Authorizing execution of a contract with PRC Public Management Services, Inc. for design and installation of a computer assisted Dispatch System for the sum of \$166,848.00.

Mayor Johnston moved that the Resolution be removed from the Agenda and that the administration reestablish negotiations between the two bidders and return to the City Council within 30 days with the results of that process. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Roll call was taken resulting in 7 ayes: Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Moss, Nelson, Sonntag, and Mayor Johnston. Nays: 2 - Nalley and Warnick.

The Resolution was removed from the agenda.

Resolution No. 23226 Authorizing the exchange of certain lands with the State of Washington in conjunction with the improvement of State Route No. 16, Narrows Bridge to Olympic Drive (Purdy).

Mr. Moss moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 23227 Designating St. Peter's Church as a City of Tacoma Historic Landmark.

Caroline Gallacci, member of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, urged adoption of the Resolution.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Egan. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 23228 Approving Tacoma-Pierce County Board of Health Resolution 74 establishing the position of Vector Control Specialist and setting the rate of pay.

Odd A. Lund, Personnel Director, asked that an amendment be made to correct the rate of pay from range 33.6 to 36.0 to correspond with the same classification as the position covered under Resolution 23233.

Mr. Sonntag moved that the amendment be made as requested. Seconded by Mr. Moss. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Voice vote was taken and carried on the amended Resolution. The Resolution as amended was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 23229      Establishing additional temporary positions in the Public Service Employment Program and the Emergency Employment Program.

Mr. Nalley moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 23230      Authorizing execution of a collective bargaining agreement with the Joint Labor Committee to be effective January 1, 1975 through December 31, 1976.

Mr. Sonntag moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 23231      Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute and submit a project prospectus for Orchard Street from Fircrest City limits to South 56th Street under the Federal Aid Urban Program (FAM).

Mr. Warnick moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Nalley. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 23232      Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute and submit a project prospectus for improving certain arterial street intersections in the Central Business District under the Federal Aid Urban Program (FAM).

Mr. Moss moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 23233      Approving Tacoma-Pierce County Board of Health Resolution No. 76 relative to pay and compensation.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 23234      Authorizing the purchase of one paging terminal for the Police Communications Center from BBL Industries, Inc., Atlanta, GA for the sum of \$6,037.50.

Mr. Sonntag moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Egan. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

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COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Mayor Johnston read a letter received from the President of Tacoma Community College regarding pending State legislation which would increase community college tuition approximately 33 percent and urging that the City Council take a stand against this legislation.

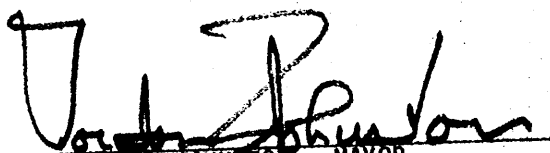


Mayor Johnston moved that the Tacoma City Council has taken a position against the tuition increase proposal. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mr. Sonntag suggested that Senator Stortini, Chairman of the Senate Education Committee, be notified of the Council's motion on the tuition legislation.

Mr. Sonntag thanked all members of the City Council for the unanimous vote in passing the Summer Youth Employment Program.

On proper motion, the meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

  
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GORDON JOHNSTON - MAYOR

ATTEST:   
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H. B. BOND - CITY CLERK