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COUNCIL CHAMBER, 7:30 P.M.

Monday, May 20, 1957

Council met in regular session. Present on roll call 5: Battin, Bratrud, Humiston, Perdue, Tollefson. Mr. Stojack taking his seat at 7:35 p.m. and Mrs. Goering taking her seat at 7:40 P.M. Absent 2, Jensen and Mayor Anderson. In the absence of the Mayor, Dr. Battin, Vice Mayor presided.

It was moved by Dr. Humiston, 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 dispensed with. Motion carried. Ayes 5; Nays 0; Absent 4, Goering, Jensen, Stojack and Mayor Anderson.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 14996: ✓ L I D 4624:

By STOJACK:

Fixing June 18, 1957 as date for hearing on L I D 4624 - permanent type pavement, including concrete curbs, concrete gutters and storm water catch basins on South 9th Street from Pine Street to Lawrence Street, on South 10th Street from Pine Street to Cedar Street and on South Junett Street from South 8th Street to South 13th Street.

Adopted on roll call May 20, 1957
Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 3, Goering, Jensen,
and Mayor Anderson

Mr. Rowlands stated that the item listed under Unfinished Business "A report as to availability of City Participation Funds for L I D 4624" should be considered in conjunction with this Resolution. The report from L. P. Staman, dated May 13, 1957 concluded with the statement that L I D 4624 will have to be in the 1958 participation program unless Council unanimously deems it an emergency and provides funds for this project as there is not sufficient balance in the L I D participation fund to take care of the city's share, which is approximately \$16,000., Mr. Rowlands pointed out.

Resolution No. 14997: L I D 6752:

By TOLLEFSON:

Fixing June 18, 1957 as the date for hearing on L I D 6752 - installing mercury vapor type street lights on existing wood poles, on Rochester Street from Sixth Avenue to South 12th Street.

Adopted on roll call May 20, 1957
Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 3, Goering,
Jensen and Mayor Anderson.

Resolution No. 14998:

By GOERING:

Consenting to the establishment of a limited access highway from South City Limits to South 40th Street as shown on plans entitled: "Primary State Highway No. 1, Tacoma Freeway, South City Limits to Pacific Avenue, Plan showing Access", attached hereto and made a part of this resolution.

Mr. Bushler, Director of City Planning, advised that the City Planning

Staff has reviewed and approved the revised plans, although the Commission has not made a formal recommendation due to the fact they do not meet until May 21st. The City's requests have been accepted by the Highway Commission and the plans have been revised accordingly, Mr. Buehler stated. The portion of the Freeway which is being approved by this Resolution is that part from South City Limits to South 40th Street, and for the sake of clarification he felt this statement should be included in the resolution, Mr. Buehler stated.

It was moved by Dr. Humiston, seconded by Mr. Perdue that the Resolution be amended by inserting the words "from South City Limits to South 40th Street," after the words "limited access" in the first paragraph of the body of the Resolution. Motion carried on roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Jensen, Anderson.

Mr. Bratrud asked how many access points are called for in the plans. At present there will be four access points within the City limits at the interchanges at South 38th, South 56th, South 72nd and South 74th, and one at South 84th which is outside the City limits, Mr. Buehler replied. Mr. Bratrud asked if the City should not request interchanges at 48th, & 64th for additional access to the Freeway. Mr. Buehler said he felt the accesses provided for in the plans are sufficient, and that it would cost the City several hundred thousand dollars to provide roads if two more access points are included. Mr. Rowlands reported that Mr. Burge, State Director of Highways, had informed them in the meetings that the State could not make any commitments for additional crossings at this time. However these can be negotiated at a later date if it is ascertained more interchanges are required, Mr. Rowlands added. Roll was then called on the adoption of the resolution, as amended.

Adopted on roll call May 20, 1957
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Jensen,
and Mayor Anderson.

Resolution No. 14999:

By BRATRUD:

Awarding contract for L I D 4584, asphalt paving, etc., on Melrose Street from State to Prospect, also on State from South 14th Street to South 15th Street, to Woodworth Co., Inc. on its low bid of \$23,411.98.

Adopted on roll call May 20, 1957
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Jensen
and Mayor Anderson.

Resolution No. 15000:

By BATTEN:

Awarding contract for L I D 4594, asphalt paving, concrete curb and gutter on North 8th Street from Mullen to Orchard, to Woodworth & Co., Inc. on low bid of \$15,496.23.

Adopted on roll call May 20, 1957
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Jensen
and Mayor Anderson.

Resolution No. 15001:

By Anderson:

Awarding contract for L I D 4611 - asphalt pavement on Junett Street from South 56th Street to South 54th Street, also from South 54th Street to South 52nd Street, to Woodworth & Co. Inc., on its low bid of \$8,711.77.

Adopted on roll call May 20, 1957
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Jensen
and Mayor Anderson.

Resolution No. 15002:

By TOLLEFSON:

Authorizing Investment Board of City of Tacoma to invest from time to time, any surplus cash held by the City Treasurer, in United States Government Bonds and Notes, without any limitation as to the amount or percentage of such surplus cash that may be so invested, effective June 12, 1957, the date the new state law enacted by the 1957 Legislature becomes effective.

Mr. Rowlands stated that the change in the State Law referred to in this resolution was one of the most beneficial pieces of legislation passed by the Legislature at the recent session, as far as cities are concerned. He commended the Director of Finance and other City officials who led the fight to get this legislation approved, and advised that it will net the City of Tacoma between \$40,000 and \$50,000 annually.

Dr. Humiston pointed out that there is a discrepancy in the resolution as in two places it refers to "90-day government notes", while in the body of the resolution it states "United States Government Bonds and Notes". He felt the same words should be used throughout the resolution. Mr. McCormick agreed the wording should be consistent, and should be changed to conform. It was moved by Mr. Stojack, seconded by Mr. Perdue to postpone Resolution No. 15002 for one week to May 27, 1957. Motion carried unanimously. Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Jensen, and Mayor Anderson.

Resolution No. 14981: (Laid over to this date on April 29, 1957)

By ANDERSON:

Stating intention of Council to adopt a payment plan wherein the General Fund of the City shall pay to the Water Division of the Department of Public Utilities the sum of \$35.00 per hydrant per year as and for a fire service charge or hydrant rental charge, beginning with the fiscal year 1958.

Mr. Rowlands advised that the Utility Department would like to have these payments made monthly rather than on an annual basis as provided in the Resolution. A great deal of additional information had been filed by the Utilities Department on this subject late this afternoon, which Council members had not had an opportunity to read, Mr. Rowlands advised. Mr. Barline stated that much of this information had been provided Council from time to time and is merely for review. Mr. Barline pointed out that the hydrant rental payments are now and have heretofore been paid on a monthly plan, which allows both departments to operate on a better basis. Mr. Barline reviewed briefly some of the information contained in the material presented by the Water Department. Mr. Bratrud said he thought the resolution should be postponed to give council members an opportunity to study the material submitted by the Water Department, and he moved the resolution be postponed for one week, to May 27, 1957. Motion seconded by Mr. Stojack. Dr. Battin pointed out that this matter has been before Council on numerous instances and he felt that postponing it again would not accomplish anything. Dr. Humiston said he did not believe there was any rush to pass the Resolution at this time, but that question should be settled before the budget is prepared. Mr. VanderEnde of the Utility Board said he felt the Council was justified in postponing action as they have not had an opportunity to study the information submitted. He agreed with Mr. Barline that the information submitted at tonight's meeting was a compilation of reports that had been given for Council's information from time to time. Roll was called on the motion to postpone for one week, which carried. Ayes 6; Nays 1, Battin; Absent 2, Jensen and Mayor Anderson.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:Ordinance No. 15880:

Vacating the plat of Manufacturers Addition to the City of Tacoma, together with all streets, alleys and public ways therein save and except 49th Avenue N. E., reserving to the City of Tacoma certain easements over portions thereof. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15881:

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Requiring a permit and the collection of fees therefor for the installation or alteration, extending or repairing of steam, hot water or cooling systems; establishing minimum regulations for installation, extending, altering or repairing thereof. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15882:

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Amending Ordinance No. 14892 - LICENSE ORDINANCE - by adding thereto 9 new Sections to be known as Sections 77, 77A to 77H inc. (licensing heating installations) Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15883:

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An ordinance to be known as the "Warm Air Heating Code"; establishing minimum regulations for installation, alteration or repairs of warm air heating systems; adopting by reference a National Warm Air Heating Code as amended. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15884:

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An ordinance to be known as the Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, relating to and regulating the construction, installation, operation, maintenance and repair of steam boilers, hot water heating and supply boilers, unfired pressure vessels and their appurtenances; establishing minimum regulations for the installation and repair and an inspection thereof; creating a Boiler and Pressure Vessel Board; adopting by reference a Uniform Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code. (repeal Ordinance No. 4855 and 7189). Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Mr. Rowlands stated that the above Ordinances were formulated by Citizens Advisory Committees, some of whose members are present tonight. He asked the Clerk to read the membership of the "Citizens Advisory Committee on Heating and Ventilating" of which Hugh C. Miller was Chairman. Mr. Clayton W. Lasham explained the ordinance briefly to the Council in the absence of the Chairman. Mr. Les Gillis of the City Building Division and Mr. James M. Johnson (Mel) of the Committee also spoke on the ordinance and the "National Warm Air Heating Code," which is being adopted by reference by Ordinance No. 15883.

Dr. Battin thanked the Citizens Committee on behalf of the Council for the fine work they had done in compiling these ordinances. The Clerk also read the membership of the "Board of Boiler and Unfired Vessel Rules" for which Ralph M. Kenton acted as Chairman. Mr. Karl Struensee, a member of the Board, briefed the Council on Ordinance No. 15884, which was drawn as a result of their efforts. Mr. Stamen expressed appreciation to the two groups which have given a great deal of time and effort in assisting the City. Dr. Battin extended the thanks of the Council, saying they are very grateful for their technical and expert advice. In reply to a question as whether the Codes which are adopted by reference must be published, Mr. Rowlands advised that State Law permits adopting the Code by reference, without publishing same, so therefore the only part requiring publishing is the City Ordinances.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:Ordinance No. 15878:

Amending Section 7 of Ordinance No. 15670 - entitled: "An ordinance authorizing the establishment of special or petty cash funds and working advances in certain departments, offices and boards of the City; prescribing the method of accounting therefor, etc." (Working Fund Advance for the purposes set forth in Section 1, created in office of Director of Finance in sum of \$200.00). Read by title and passed.

Roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Jensen and Mayor Anderson.

Ordinance No. 15879:

Vacating that portion of the alley between South Shirley Street and South Bennett Street from 8 feet south of the south line of South 12th Street to the north line of Lot 7 in Block 7 and 8 of Highland Park Addition. Petition of Unitarian Association of Tacoma, Inc. 11-13-56. Read by title and passed. Mr. Buehler reported that the petitioners have given the City the required slope easements and that all requirements of the State Highway Department have been satisfied.

Goering, (Not voting)

Roll call: Ayes 6; Nays 2; Absent 2, Jensen and Mayor Anderson.

Ordinance No. 15863: (Laid over to this date on April 29th)

Amending Ordinance No. 14980 relating to the Municipal Water Supply System of the City of Tacoma; providing for sale of water, fixing the price thereof, etc. (Fixing Stand-by Fire Service rate at \$4.20 per month per hydrant). Read by title.

Dr. Humiston pointed out that the Council took action three weeks ago to accomplish this end by means of a Resolution and consequently he felt the proper approach would be to vote this ordinance down tonight. Mr. Stojack said in his opinion the Ordinance should be postponed until next week to be considered with the Resolution covering the same subject. Dr. Humiston asked Mr. Barline if it made any difference to them whether this was handled by Ordinance or Resolution. Mr. Barline replied that they would prefer to have an ordinance, so it can be made an amendment to the Water rate Ordinance. Motion of Perdue to postpone for one week (May 27, 1957) Motion seconded by Mr. Bratrud.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

This being the date fixed by Resolution No. 14976, adopted by Council on April 29, 1957, for the hearing on petition of Investment Exchange Development Corp. (4-23-57) for the vacation of alley between Pearl Street and Woodlawn Street from Sixth Avenue north to North 7th Street; and by Resolution No. 14977, adopted April 29, 1957 for hearing on the petition of Investment Exchange Development Corp. (4-23-57) for the vacation of the alley between Pearl and Woodlawn Streets from Sixth Avenue south to B Boulevard. The Clerk reported the posting of the notices required by law and the filing of affidavits of such posting. Also reported that a fee of \$100.00 had been paid by petitioner for each vacation and that no remonstrances had been filed against the proposed vacation. Mr. Buehler, Director of the City Planning Dept., advised that the Public Utilities and Public Works Departments had no objections to the vacation and that the State Department of Highways has no objection. These alleys are not opened and the petitioners own all of the abutting property, Mr. Buehler stated.

Mr. Horace Geer, Attorney for the petitioner, advised that to his knowledge there are no objections to vacating these alleys. No remonstrators appearing, it was

moved by Mr. Tollefson, seconded by Mr. Stojack, that the petitions be granted and the City Attorney be instructed to draw the necessary ordinance or ordinances vacating the alleys. Motion carried on roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Jensen, Anderson.

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

- (1) Report of the Director of Finance for April, 1957
- (2) x Personnel Department - report for the month of April, 1957
- (3) x Fire Chief - report of the Fire Department for the month of April, 1957.

COMMENTS BY THE CITY MANAGER:

x Mr. Rowlands, City Manager distributed to Council members, a report compiled by Dr. Fargher on the Mental Health Program of the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department for May, 1957.

x Mr. Rowlands read a letter from a lady who wished to remain anonymous, thanking the Police Department for stopping chain parking in the downtown area, thus making it much easier to find a place to park a car while shopping.

Upon motion, duly seconded and carried, Council adjourned at 9:05 P.M.

Charles B. Patton
Vice Mayor of City Council

Attest: Josephine Melton
City Clerk