

Monday, July 2, 1956.

Council met in regular session. Present 8; Battin, Bratrud, Goering, Humiston, Jensen, Stojack, Tollefson, Mayor Anderson. Absent 1; Perdue, taking his seat shortly after roll call.

It was moved by Mr. Stojack, seconded by Mr. Bratrud, 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. Motion carried on roll call: Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Perdue.

Mayor Anderson introduced to the Council David D. Rowlands, who today assumed the duties of City Manager. The Mayor told Mr. Rowlands that he had the best wishes of all the Citizens of Tacoma as well as the Council in his new position, and promised him the cooperation of the Council.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 14695.

BY GOERING:

Approving recommendation of Director of Public Works and Board of Contracts and Awards and awarding contract to Winthrop Motor Co. for furnishing five 2-door sedans for \$7267.95 plus sales tax, less trade-in of \$175; and awarding contract for furnishing three street maintenance trucks to International Harvester Co. on its bid of \$8117.54, plus sales tax, less trade-ins of \$185, which are the lowest and best bids. Mr. Bratrud asked for information concerning the other bids submitted. City Manager Rowlands read the bids submitted by other automobile and truck agencies, which showed conclusively that the bids accepted by the Board of Contracts and Awards were the lowest and best. The resolution was then adopted.

Adopted on roll call July 2, 1956.
Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 14696

BY GOERING:

Approving recommendations of Fire Chief and Board of Contracts and Awards and awarding contract for furnishing annual supply of fire hose for 1956 to Money's Inc. on its low bid of \$4,582.50, plus sales tax.

Adopted on roll call July 2, 1956.
Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0;

Resolution No. 14697.

BY GOERING:

Authorizing proper officers of City to enter into an agreement between City of Tacoma and State of Washington, Department of Highways, for paving of Milwaukee Way Extension, Federal Aid Project No. U-001-3(15). Mr. McCormick reported that the words "pursuant to the aforesaid Ordinance" had been deleted and the resolution rewritten. The substitute resolution has been placed on each Council member's desk for adoption, he added. Moved by Mr. Tollefson, seconded by Dr. Battin to substitute the resolution submitted tonight for the one on the agenda. Motion carried unanimously. The substitute resolution was then adopted.

Adopted on roll call July 2, 1956.
Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

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Resolution No. 14698.

L. I. D. 2252.

By JENSEN:

Fixing August 7, 1956 as date for hearing on cement concrete sidewalks on South 19th Street from Ainsworth Avenue to 140 feet west of Lawrence Street, on north side; also from Ainsworth Avenue to the South line of Hayden's Addition on South side of South 19th Street where existing walks are not in place; creating L I D 2252.

Adopted on roll call July 2, 1956.

Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 14699.

L. I. D. 4611.

By JENSEN:

Fixing August 7, 1956 as date for hearing on paving with asphaltic pavement South Junett from South 52nd to South 56th; also cement concrete curbs and gutters on South Junett from South 54th Street to South 56th Street; creating L I D 4611.

Adopted on roll call July 2, 1956.

Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 14700.

By HUMISTON:

Authorizing proper officers of City to sell at public auction a surplus transformer described herein belonging to Light Division, Department of Public Utilities, for not less than \$7900.00 at the siding, Steam Plant No. 2; said auction to take place at 9:30 A. M. July 5, 1956, City Council Chamber, Room 303, City Hall.

Adopted on roll call July 2, 1956.

Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 14701.

By HUMISTON:

Authorizing the proper officers of the City of Tacoma to execute an agreement authorizing the Highland Hill Corporation to encroach upon the right of way heretofore granted the City of Tacoma for utility purposes. In a discussion of the resolution Mr. Tollefson said he felt that a clause should be added to the agreement to make the covenants set forth binding upon the successors and assigns of both parties. Mr. McCormick agreed that this would tend to strengthen the agreement. It was then moved by Mr. Tollefson, seconded by Dr. Humiston to amend the agreement by adding paragraph #8- making the covenants set forth binding upon the successors and assigns of both parties. Motion carried on roll call: Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Adopted on roll call July 2, 1956.

Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 14702.

By HUMISTON:

Authorizing and directing execution of a right of way agreement with Pacific Northwest Pipeline Corporation, granting said corporation a right of way over and across certain described property belonging to the Light Division, situated in Pierce County; and determining that the part of the real property subject to the right of way will not impair the City's use thereof. Attention was called to the blank space on page one of the agreement where the consideration in dollars had not been filled in. Mr. Barline, Director of Utilities, advised that the amount should read Seventy-five Dollars. It was moved by Dr. Humiston, seconded by Mr. Stojack to amend the attached agreement by writing in "Seventy-five" in the blank space on page 1 there-

of. Motion carried unanimously.

Adopted on roll call July 2, 1956.
Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 14703.

By HUMISTON:

Authorizing proper officers of City of Tacoma to enter into an agreement with the Mason County Fire Protection District for standby and emergency fire fighting service at and near the Light Division installations at Lake Cushman.

Adopted on roll call July 2, 1956.
Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 15653.

Amending Ordinance No. 14793- ZONING ORDINANCE- by adding new section to be known as Section 5D. (Changing from "R-2" One Family Dwelling District to "R-3" Two Family Dwelling District- N. W. Corner of 6th Avenue and Huson Street). Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15654.

Amending Ordinance No. 10883, passed December 7, 1932, as last amended by Ordinance No. 15390, passed July 18, 1955, entitled: "An ordinance defining who are disorderly persons, etc." by adding thereto a new section to be known as Section 1B (Possession of Stolen Property). Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15655.

Amending Section 1 of Ordinance No. 900, passed September 8, 1893, entitled: "An ordinance providing for imprisonment for non-payment of fines and costs imposed for violation of any ordinance of the City of Tacoma." Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15656.

Amending Section 183E of Ordinance No. 15258--TRAFFIC CODE-- (Section 183E- No Parking at Any Time). Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 15645.

Prescribing the manner in which obligations of the City of Tacoma shall be paid; and repealing Ordinances Nos. 5863, 6055, 6296, 14803 and 15021. Read by title and passed.

Roll call: Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Ordinance No. 15646.

Directing that in certain voting precincts of the City, registration files shall be kept open in such precincts for the registration of voters during the period commencing on Monday, July 23, 1956, and continuing through Friday, July 27, 1956, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 9:30 P. M. Read by title and passed 429 457

Roll call: Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Amending Sections 30a, 30b, 30c, 30d, 30e, 30f and 30g of Ordinance No. 14892-GENERAL LICENSE ORDINANCE- (pertaining to licenses for engineers and firemen of steam boilers) Read by title. The Clerk read a memorandum from L. P. Staman, Director of Public Works, requesting that the final reading of this ordinance be postponed one week to July 9, 1956 to give Building Inspector C. S. McCormick, who is on vacation, and representatives of the Citizens' committee an opportunity to be present. Moved by Dr. Humiston, seconded by Mr. Perdue that the ordinance be postponed for one week to July 9th, 1956. Motion carried on roll call: Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0. Mr. Jensen called attention to paragraph (a) on page 6, which requires that heating systems in schools may be operated on automatic controls only at such times as the buildings are unoccupied. He claimed this would work a hardship on the public school system, as it would necessitate the employment of approximately 40 additional employees. He felt that the School Officials should be notified so they can be represented at the meeting when the ordinance comes up for final action. Mr. Staman pointed out that the Schools had a member on the Citizens committee, which formulated the ordinance, and he felt they had been represented at the meetings, he added. However he agreed to notify Mr. Hopkins of the School District to be present on July 9th.

Ordinance No. 15648. L. I. D. 2246.

35 Providing for improvement of all streets in Narrowmoor 4th Addition by grading and surfacing with oil mat, and constructing storm sewers; creating L I D 2246. Read by title and passed.

Roll call: Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Ordinance No. 15649. L. I. D. 4605.

3 Providing for improvement of South L Street from South 35th Street to South 39th Street by construction of asphaltic concrete surfacing thereon, 40 feet wide, with curbs and gutters and necessary storm sewers; creating L I d 4605. Read by title and passed.

Roll call: Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Ordinance No. 15650. L. I. D. 4594.

Providing for improvement of North 8th Street from Orchard Street to Mullen Street, by placing thereon an asphalt concrete pavement, concrete curbs and gutters, and the necessary storm sewers; creating L I D No. 4594. Read by title and passed.

Roll call: Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Ordinance No. 15651. L. I. D. 2258.

Providing for improvement of South 70th Street, Sheridan Avenue to L Street (both sides), west side of South M Street from South 70th Street to 300 feet north, and south side of South 68th Street from Sheridan Avenue to M Street by construction of cement concrete sidewalks thereon; creating L I D No. 2258. Read by title and passed.

Roll call: Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Ordinance No. 15652. L. I. D. 4592.

Providing for improvement of South L Street from South 70th Street to South 2nd Street by placing thereon a gravel base and asphaltic concrete pavement with cement concrete curbs and tuggers, also necessary storm drainage; creating L I D 4592. Read by title and passed.

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Roll call: Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Director of Public Works presents the assessments and assessment rolls for the cost of the improvements in the following districts:

L. I. D. 1947- sewers in alley between Verde and Stevens from the north to the South 260
Boundary of Puget Sound First Addition; also in Stevens from the north to the south 475
boundary of said addition; also on the south line of said addition from Stevens Street
west approximately 450';

L. I. D. 2235- grading and surfacing of North James Street from North 17th Street 101
to 300 feet south of North 11th Street; 475

L. I. D. 4574-- asphalt paving in alley between North 21st and North 22nd Streets from 319
234 feet west of Cedar Street to Cedar Street. 475

It was moved by Dr. Humiston, seconded by Dr. Battin, that August 7, 1956 be fixed as the date for hearing on the above assessment rolls. Motion carried on roll call: Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

This being the date fixed by Resolution No. 14675, adopted by the Council on June 6, 1956, for hearing on petition of B. C. Andrus, et al, for vacation of 475
north 37th Street from Union to Puget Sound Avenue, 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 \$50.00 had been paid by the petitioners and that no remonstrances had been filed against the proposed vacation. The Clerk also reported that the Department of Public Works recommends approval of the vacation. Also reported that the Utilities Department approves the vacation, provided the alley between Union Avenue and Puget Sound is not vacated from the South to the North side of North 37th Street, since the present light distribution line extends north and south in said alley; provided easements are retained for light services crossing the vacated street, and provided the water services to 3709½ North Union Avenue are either moved at the expense of the petitioners or an easement is reserved for the Water Division. The City Planning Commission also approved the vacation subject to the conditions required by the Utilities Department, Mrs. Melton reported. Col. B. C. Andrus advised the Council that the terrain at this location descends in a series of steep terraces, and urged Council to vacate the street pointing out that it has previously been vacated in the block above. Mr. Varner Criswell said they were willing to give the City an easement across their property as requested by the Water Division. No remonstrators appearing, it was moved by Dr. Battin, seconded by Mr. Jensen that the petition be granted reserving easements for Light and Water services and that the City Attorney be directed to draw the necessary ordinance vacating the street. Motion carried on roll call: Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Mr. Bratrud reported on the meeting held with the County Commissioners on the new lease for the County-City Building. There are some adjustments of a minor nature which have been worked out by Mr. McCormick and Mr. Garlington, which they are approving. Ten maintenance employees of the City, such as elevator operator, telephone operator, janitresses and maintenance men are involved in the negotiations, and the Committee has asked for a complete report from the Personnel and Pension Departments on the status of these employees in an effort to ascertain what provision can be made to take care of them. It is the intention of the Committee to see that all City employees involved are taken care of and that no one is harmed, Mr. Bratrud stated. Dr. Humiston said he had talked to the County Commissioners after the meeting about the alternate plan he had suggested at the Council meeting on April 25th, which was that the City advance its share at the outset, rather than pay for it over the 20-year period, which might make it possible for the County Jail to be constructed at this time. The County, although interested, does not want to go ahead with drawings, etc. unless they have Council's statement that it will entertain such a proposition, Dr. Humiston said. He offered to see that the material on this alternative proposal is documented for presentation to the Council and County Commissioners, and the Council authorized him to do this. 434
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Utility Director Dean Barline was present as requested by Council at last Monday's meeting and was called upon by Mayor Anderson at this time. He gave the Council the background of the Cowlitz Dam, and informed them on the progress to date and the status of the Court litigation in which the project is presently involved. They hope to have the legal obstacles cleared up within 60 to 90 days he said. They have endeavored to keep the City Council up to date on this project, he said, through the minutes of the Utility Board, which are available to each Council member. The Department would like to schedule another trip to the Cowlitz site and have all the Council members view the project, he added.

Dr. Battin advised the Council that Clarence Boyle's mother has passed away. He moved that the Council extend sympathy to Mr. Boyle on the loss of his mother. Motion seconded by Dr. Humiston and carried unanimously.

Mayor Anderson read a letter from the Municipal League of Tacoma, extending an invitation to the Council to attend a reception Tuesday evening, July 10th, to meet the new City Manager, Mr. David Rowlands, and the new Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Angelo Giaudrone, which is to be held at Jackson Hall, 314 South K Street at 8 P.M. Placed on file.

149 * L. I. D. 1955, the proposed West End Storm sewer project, was brought up for discussion at this time. Mr. Staman reported that after the adoption of Resolution No. 14583 on April 2, 1956, setting up a policy of City participation of not more than 20% in the financing of storm and sanitary sewers, the property owners have been circulating a petition for the L. I. D. but have not been successful in obtaining a 51% petition. The Town of Fircrest is desirous of having the City of Tacoma install the trunk sewer through Fircrest to empty into Leech Creek, as soon as possible, as they want to pave their streets during this work season. They do not want to have the pavement torn up at a later date to install the storm trunk and for this reason it is imperative that Tacoma take action now. Various alternatives were discussed at length, such as breaking the L I D up into several smaller districts; asking Fircrest to postpone improvement on Contra Costa, which it is proposed the storm sewer will be laid; having the entire L I D initiated by resolution of the Council; and the City installing the trunk in Fircrest now though the L I D petition is not filed as required by the policy adopted by Council in Resolution 14583. Dr. Humiston said he was not in favor of going against the participating policy set forth by Council, and was fearful of the danger of thus setting a precedent. The question of availability of funds for putting in this sewer was brought up by Mr. Stojack, and Mr. Gaisford, Director of Finance said this could be taken care of by borrowing from the L I D Guaranty Fund, which is known as deficit financing. The point was raised as to whether or not Brown and Caldwell, the firm making a survey for a comprehensive sewer plan, had given a recommendation on this matter. Mr. Staman said they had been consulted and the proposal had met with their approval. Mr. Tollefson and Mrs. Goering expressed themselves as favoring the City going ahead with the installation of the trunk sewer through Fircrest now, even though the necessary petition has not been filed by property owners. Mr. Wm. Bethke of Forrester Inc. and Mr. Fred G. Berto urged the Council to take action to install the storm trunk at the earliest possible time in order to facilitate the expansion and development of the west end of the City, where no further building can be done under F. H. A. until the storm drainage is provided. Mayor Anderson referred the matter to the City Manager with the request that he bring back a recommendation in two weeks. Dr. Battin said that time was important, and he suggested this recommendation be made in one week. Mr. Stojack said he could see no reason for delay and suggested that a district be initiated by the City and a hearing held thereon to get the pulse of the public. Moved by Mr. Stojack, seconded by Dr. Humiston, that the Council initiate an L. I. D. for the entire district to get the pulse of the public. Motion carried unanimously. Moved by Mr. Tollefson, seconded by Dr. Battin that the City of Tacoma proceed with the project through Fircrest. Motion carried: Ayes 8; Nays 1, Jensen, not voting; Absent 0.

Upon motion, duly seconded and carried, Council then adjourned at

10:07 P. M.

Attest:

Josephine M. Miller

John H. Anderson
President of City Council.