

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers, 7:00 P. M.
Tuesday, January 9, 1962

Council met in regular session. Present on roll call 9: Bott, Cvitanich, Easterday, Murtland, Olson, Porter, Price, Steele and Mayor Hanson.

Mr. Murtland called attention to the word "bonifide" on Page 5 and asked that it be corrected to read "bona fide".

Mayor Hanson requested the clerk to note this correction.

It was moved by Mr. Easterday that the minutes of January 2, 1962 be approved as corrected. Seconded by Mr. Steele. Motion carried.

Mayor Hanson announced that he will have to leave the meeting at 7:15 P. M. as he had to attend the Fircrest Council meeting as discussion will come up on the Power contract.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 16882:

Fixing Monday, February 26, 1962 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for hearing on L I D 3519 for sanitary sewers in 6th Ave. from Mildred St. east 1600 feet and Whitman from 6th Ave. to So. 19th Street.

It was moved by Mr. Steele that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Price.

Voice vote was taken on the Resolution.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 16883:

Fixing Monday, February 26, 1962 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for hearing on L I D 4706 for permanent paving on Ash St. from So. 72nd to So. 74th St.

It was moved by Mr. Steele that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

Mr. Rowlands asked that this Resolution be postponed for one week as several errors have been discovered in the description.

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It was moved by Mr. Steele that the Resolution be postponed for one week until January 16, 1962. Seconded by Mr. Murtland. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 16884:

Fixing Tuesday, February 6, 1962 at 7:00 P. M. as the date for hearing on the vacation of property located in the alley lying between Vassault and Bristol from No. 26th to the north line of Sec. 35, TwP. 21 No. Range 2E. (S. L. Rowland petition) 55-54

It was moved by Mr. Steele that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Murtland.

Voice vote was taken on the Resolution.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

Mayer Hanson asked that Resolution No. 16889 be considered at this time if there were no objections.

It was moved by Mr. Murtland that Resolution No. 16889 be taken out of order on the Agenda. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 16889:

Authorizing the Mayor of the City of Tacoma to execute a Grant Agreement with the Federal Aviation Agency, Western Region, for the development of the Tacoma Industrial Airport.

It was moved by Mr. Steele that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Price.

Voice vote was taken on the Resolution resulting as follows:

Ayes 7; Nays 2; Cvitanich and Easterday; Absent 0.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 16885:-

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to charge off three delinquent rents in the Center Street Project area.

It was moved by Mrs. Olson that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Murtland.

Voice vote was taken on the Resolution.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

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Resolution No. 16886:

Authorizing the settlement of a claim to Earl H. & Margaret L. Brown in the amount of \$1,500.

It was moved by Mr. Steele that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Easterday.

Voice vote taken on the Resolution.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 16887:

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute and deliver to Carl O. Moe an assessment deed upon payment of \$20.00 for property located at the S. E. corner of So. 84th & Thompson Ave. & at the S. E. corner of So. 12th & Gove St.

It was moved by Mr. Steele that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Price.

Voice vote taken on the Resolution.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 16888:

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute a deed to the Port of Tacoma for the amount of \$10.00 for property located near East 11th and Alexander Street.

It was moved by Mr. Easterday that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

Mr. Rowlands said, this is just a matter of clearing a title.

Voice vote taken on the Resolution.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 16966:

Vacating that portion of the alley lying between McKinley Avenue and Spokane St. extended from East 43rd to East 44th. (petition of Metropolitan Park District.) Read by title.

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Mr. Rowlands said that this proposed vacation will make the City playground area more useable.

The Ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 16967:

Amending the Official Code of the City relating to zoning by adding a new section 13.06.060-1 to include property on the south side of So. 38th Street between Pacific Ave. & A St. in an "R-4" Multiple Family Dwelling District. Read by title.

The Ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 16968:

Amending the Official Code of the City relating to zoning by adding two new sections 13.06.065-14 & 130-17 to include property on the west side of Pearl between No. 51st & Parkway in the "R-4-L" Low Density Multiple Family Dwelling District & "C-2" Commercial District. (petition of Edward G. Hitt) Read by title.

The Ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

Mayor Hanson said Mr. Hagestad of the Public Works Dept. attended the Naches Tunnel Association Meeting and inasmuch as none of the Council members were able to be present, he was instructed to assure them of the Council's absolute enthusiastic support on the project.

Mayor Hanson asked to be excused at this time; 7:15 P. M.

Mr. Porter, Deputy Mayor, took over the Chair at this time.

REPORTS:

- a. Report on negotiations for the acquisition of property in the Center Street Urban Renewal Project through 1961.
- b. Map on Center Street Urban Renewal area.

Mr. Rowlands said information was sent out to each Council member explaining the negotiations which had been carried on with each property owner in the Center Street Urban Renewal Project. A map was also sent out showing the properties in the area that are still in negotiation.

COMMENTS:

Mr. Rowlands explained that Mr. Graham of the Seattle Times had talked to him relative to an advertisement in the Seattle Time in connection with Century "21". He said a one page "ad" would cost \$2700. He stated that he had discussed this with the Utility Board and they were not in favor

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of taking an "ad" and the Chamber of Commerce was not interested. The Utility Department indicated they felt they could spend their money to a better advantage.

Mr. Porter explained he would rather see the money spent on repairing the ramp in the Municipal Dock area.

Mr. Rowlands said he looked into the possibility of having the dock repaired and stated it would cost approximately \$8,000 to extend the ramp so the public would have to walk about six blocks. Both the Winthrop and the Doric Hotels have agreed to have small buses or cars meet each boat during Century "21". This would more or less be a shuttle service.

Mr. Cvitanich said he thought if there were any funds available consideration should be given to the Park employees for an increase in salary this year.

Mrs. Price asked if it would be possible to increase the Park Budget at this time to allow increases in salaries.

Mr. McCormick explained it would be possible only in the event of an emergency.

Mr. Rowlands explained that Mr. Selden who is in the Go-Cart business expressed interest in trying to make it possible to operate in the City of Tacoma.

Mr. Porter suggested that Mr. Selden be requested to set a time to meet with the City Council on this matter.

Mr. Rowlands explained that a memo had been sent out to the Council 83 members regarding the proposed increase in retirement benefits. It was pointed out that one of the reasons the benefits could be increased was that the amount of \$6,000 paid into the fund has been eliminated. As proposed, the employee can contribute 5% of his salary. Secondly, the prior service credits instead of being paid off in a few years will be extended to a longer period of time and the net result is that the increase to the General Fund will be approximately \$2,000 annually and to the Utilities about \$6,625. Since the members of the Transit System became participants in the City's retirement System, regardless of whether this system were put into effect or the existing system continued, the City would have had to put into the Fund \$1,500 or \$3,900 more this year to take care of the Transit employees. Mr. Rowlands, further stated, this proposal should have the approval of the General Government and the Utility Department when it comes before the Council in proper form and also will have the approval of the employees. He said it would take at least two to three months before this would actually be consummated.

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Mr. Rowlands, as a member of the Municipal Fire Prevention Institute, advised there is to be a meeting in New York on Thursday and Friday of this week at the expense of the A. M. A. He said there will be an important meeting with the General Manager of the Board of Underwriters and his staff. Thirteen recommendations have been submitted for consideration to modernize the Fire grading and rating System.

Mr. Bott moved that Mr. Rowlands be given permission to attend the convention in New York . Seconded by Mr. Steie. Motion carried.

Mrs. Olson asked what progress has been made on the audit.


Mr. Rowlands explained that he would have a preliminary report for next week's Council meeting.

Mrs. Olson requested photostatic copies of expense accounts of the City Manager and also of the City Council for the year 1961.

There being no further business to come before the Council, upon motion duly seconded and passed, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 P. M.



Mayor of the City Council

Attest: 

Josephine Melton