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COUNCIL CHAMBER, 7:34 P. M.

Monday, July 15, 1957.

Council met in regular session. Present on roll call 6: Humiston, Jensen, Perdue, Stojack, Tollefson and Mayor Anderson; Mr. Bratrud taking his seat at 7:37 P. M. Absent 2; Battin, Goering.

It was moved by Dr. Humiston, seconded by Mr. Tollefson, 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; Jensen (not voting). Absent 3; Battin, Bratrud, Goering.

This being the date fixed by the Council for the hearing on the petition of Miller Construction Co., Inc. (6-17-57) for replat of area north of North 17th Street between Jackson Avenue and Juniper Street, to be known as "Miller's Panorama Park" (formerly known as Olympic Highlands Addition) the matter was brought up for consideration at this time. The Clerk reported that no remonstrances had been filed and that the replat had been approved by the City Planning Commission. Dr. Humiston asked the reason for the replat. Mr. Paul Benson of the Planning Staff explained that this area was poorly laid out, and the replat would give a better utilization of the streets and of the entire area. No remonstrators being present, it was moved by Mr. Stojack, seconded by Mr. Perdue, that the petition of Miller Construction Co., Inc., for replat to be known as "Miller's Panorama Park" be granted. Motion carried unanimously. 291

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 15066 was brought up at this time.

Resolution No. 15066:

MR. STOJACK:

Approving plat of "Miller's Panorama Park" Addition. (located at the N. W. corner of North 17th and Jackson.) 371

Mr. Rowlands reported that the Public Works Department wishes to make a last check on the right of way for Railroad property.

Mr. Staman, Director of Public Works, advised that there is the possibility that there will be a slight adjustment in one of the measurements on one side of the plat and they will have to contact the Railroad Co. for this information. He said that the Resolution could be amended next week, if necessary.

Dr. Humiston stated that he did not wish to see the Resolution pass until it is complete and accurate in every way. He then moved that the Resolution be laid over for one week to July 22, 1957. Motion seconded by Mr. Tollefson.

Mr. Edward P. Miller, petitioner of the Plat, explained to Council that he would like to have the Resolution adopted at tonight's meeting as he will be leaving town and will not be back for a month. He also explained that he would like to have the Plat recorded before he leaves in order that the Deeds can be issued to the property owners so they can start construction as soon as possible. He said he understood the City Engineers would verify the figures of the Railroad Co., and, that if any changes were made, they would be minor and would not affect the issuance of Deeds or Contracts as this tract of approximately four acres is to be dedicated as a Park or Playground to the whole area.

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, advised that Council could pass the Resolution on a conditional basis with the understanding the Plat could be recorded after the corrections were made.

Dr. Humiston stated he was not in favor of passing a Resolution approving this Plat until all phases have been approved by all departments concerned.

Mr. Tollefson said that he will withdraw his second to Dr. Humiston's motion to postpone the Resolution for one week.

Mr. Miller stated that the property has all been surveyed and that monuments have been placed at strategic places where the lots are concerned and that many times the street monuments are not placed until the streets are in.

Mayor Anderson called for a second to Dr. Humiston's motion, No one responding, the motion was declared lost.

It was then moved by Mr. Jensen, seconded by Mr. Bratrud, to adopt Resolution No. 15066.

Adopted on roll call July 15, 1957.
Ayes 7; Nay 0; Absent 2; Battin, Goering.

Resolution No. 15064:

By PERDUE:

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute an agreement pertaining to L I D 1921, providing for installation of a sanitary sewer in the tide flats area of the City.

Mr. Bert C. Nelson of the Tacoma Sportsmen Club thanked the members of the City Council and City Staff for passing this Resolution and stated they feel it is a step forward in stopping pollution of our local waters, and that it may lead to other Local Improvement Districts.

Mr. Rowlands stated that a lot of time and work was spent forming this district and that thanks should also go to the Railroads, Lumber Companies and other nine parties who signed the agreement making the district possible.

Adopted on roll call July 15, 1957.
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Battin, Goering.

Resolution No. 15065:

By GOERING:

Awarding contract to Milone & Tucci on its low bid of \$92,962.85 and \$1,699.00 for supplemental bid plus sales tax for construction of sanitary sewer from the Treatment Plant on Cleveland Way to 11th Street and St. Paul Avenue, also on East J Street-L I D

Adopted on roll call July 15, 1957.
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Battin, Goering.

Resolution No. 15067:

By BATTIN:

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute an agreement with the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, providing for the construction of underground conduits in the Water Division's right of way.

Adopted on roll call July 15, 1957. Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Battin, Goering.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 15917:

Amending Section 13.06.120 of the Charter and Official Code by adding thereto a new Section to be known as Section 13.06.120(1)--the property located at the southwest corner of So. 54th and Warner Streets to be included in the C-1 Commercial District. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15918:

Amending Section 13.06.130 of the Charter and Official Code by adding thereto a new Section to be known as Section 13.06.130(1)--the property located north of 6th Avenue and west of Highland Hill Shopping Center is to be included in the C-2 Commercial District. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 15916:

Transferring funds from Maintenance and Operation class of the 1957 Budget to the Capital Outlay class --\$700 for Police Pistol Range and \$650 for Replacement of Tractor Motor Attachment. Read by title and passed.

Roll Call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Battin, Goering.

Ordinance No. 15915:

L I D 2273: *

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Providing for the improvement of East 68th Street from East B Street to East D Street by grading, graveling and oil mat surface; creating L I D 2273. Read by title and passed.

Roll Call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Battin, Goering.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mr. Rowlands presented a map of the Recommended Development Plan of the Port Industrial District which Council had previously requested. He explained the map to the Council and pointed out one of the key developments will be the extension of the Port of Tacoma Road. This road, he said, will be one of the key interchanges from the tideflats area to the proposed Tacoma-Seattle-Everett Freeway.

* N.B.

Mayor Anderson suggested Council study this map and that it be discussed at next week's meeting.

Mr. Rowlands called Council's attention to the letter from Moody's Investors Service relative to bond rating assignment to the Cowlitz Power Development bonds, copies of which had been received by each Council member, and more especially to that part of the communication referring to the background of the Cowlitz, which, he said, was self-explanatory.

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Mr. Rowlands presented a letter from the Retirement Board requesting an interest adjustment of 5% on Tacoma's Progress Estimate Warrants and L. I. D. Bonds, in order to bring the interest rate in line with the current market situation.

Dr. Humiston said as far as the Retirement Board is concerned their one purpose is to get the highest possible return for their money, and that they should not purchase L. I. D. Bonds unless the Retirement Board deems them a good buy. He also added that they should try to keep the interest rate as low as possible.

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Mr. Gaisford, Director of Finance, gave a brief resume of the L. I. D. Bonds. He stated that in 1936 the Retirement Board obligated itself to buy all of the L. I. D. Bonds of the City and have three million dollars invested in these Bonds and Warrants at the present time. The market is on the upgrade and other Cities holding L. I. D. Bonds are receiving more interest than Tacoma, but, in the event interest rates are cut on the Bond market, the Retirement System would also be willing to accept a cut, he added.

Mr. Perdue stated that if we try to sell our L. I. D. Bonds on the open market, instead of to our Retirement System, it will cost the property owners more in interest.

Dr. Humiston said that he would like to talk to Mr. Gaisford, Director of Finance, concerning other funds for the City.

Mayor Anderson asked Dr. Humiston to report to Council on his findings when he received the desired information from Mr. Gaisford.

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Mr. Bixel explained in answer to Mrs. Goering's request as to the number of persons who were No. I on the list that were not appointed, but were appointed later, that 18 of the 39 have not been appointed to date. These, he said, represent 6.8% of the No. I eligibles certified for appointments.

It was suggested that when the No. I person was not appointed, a report should be submitted to the City Manager explaining why this No. I person was not appointed. This is being done by the Utility Department at the present time, Mr. Rowlands, advised.

Dr. Humiston requested an ordinance be drawn and submitted to the Council informally which would provide for a review by the City Manager or the Director of Utilities as the case may be, where the No. I promotional eligible was not appointed. If the No. I of the three were not appointed, the Manager is to review and approve the passing of the No. I person.

Mr. D. H. Ketler of the Municipal Civil Service League, advised that he still feels that the "Rule of 1" should be used instead of the "Rule of 3" as prejudice prevails under this system. He said that if the Rule of 1 is used a good portion of those appointments would prove satisfactory.

Mr. Rowlands advised that the new Utility Board has been appointed and that he is sending copies of the Report on City owned Cars to the new members for their study. He requested that no action be taken at this time.

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

Record of cases in the Tacoma Municipal Court for June, 1957.

Monthly Report of Tacoma Police Department for June, 1957.

Personnel Report for the month of June, 1957.

Report of the Director of Finance for June, 1957.

COMMENTS BY THE CITY MANAGER:

Mr. Rowlands advised that members of the firm of Brown & Caldwell will be in Tacoma next week to answer questions on their report. They advised that they would like to meet and talk with members of the Council.

A date for this meeting was discussed, and it was moved by Mr. Tollefson, seconded by Mr. Stojack, to meet with the members of the Brown & Caldwell Staff at 3:00 P. Monday, July 22nd. Motion carried. Ayes 6; Nays 1; Perdue (not voting). Absent 2; Battis Goering.

Mr. Rowlands presented a copy of the Preliminary Report of the 6 year Capital Improvement Program for the City. He advised this report represents the thinking of the various Boards.

Mr. Tollefson asked if the County has been taken into consideration as far as roads and highways are concerned.

Mr. Staman, Director of Public Works, advised that the roads constructed in City are all designed to meet with those of the County.

Mr. Tollefson said that he was particularly interested in the area that will in with the proposed Snoqualmie cut-off. He advised that this area in Southern King Co. is developing at a tremendous rate and the roads in that area are designed to flow the traffic towards Seattle and Federal Way. He added, that Tacoma should design roads in such a way that they will be attractive to people.

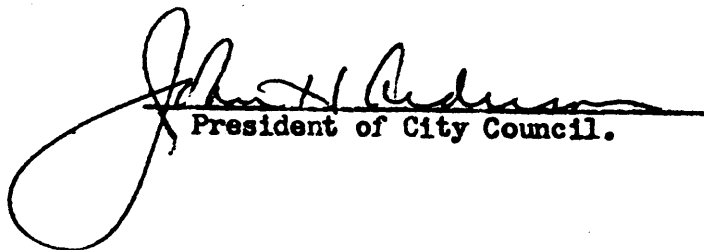
Mr. Jensen said he was disappointed with the budget on the Roads and Highway's Committee and advised that there is a possibility the State Highway Dept. will cooperate with Tacoma to develop roads. King County was successful in obtaining funds for roads from the State and said that Tacoma should try to do likewise.

Mr. Rowlands advised that this is a point well taken and that Tacoma will do all they can to get funds from the State. He said the report submitted is flexible and can be continued over a 6 year plan, which can be reevaluated from year to year. This report will not be completed until it is considered by the Joint Use Committee, Planning Commission and the City Council, Mr. Rowlands said.

Mayor Anderson pointed out that in his opinion any changes should originate from the City Council, as they set the policy for the City and should scrutinize this report very thoroughly before passage.

Mr. Tollefson said every step should be taken by the City to avail themselves of the Urban Renewal Legislation and to take advantage of the contributions from the State and Federal Government.

Upon motion, duly seconded and carried, Council adjourned at 9:02 P. M.


President of City Council.

Attest: 
City Clerk.