

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers, 4:00 P. M.
Tuesday, February 15, 1966

Council met in regular session. Present on roll call 8: Bott, Cvitanich, Finnigan, Herrmann, Johnson, Murtland, Price and Mayor Tollefson. Absent 1, Haley.

Mr. Johnson moved that the minutes of the meeting of February 1st, 1966 be approved as submitted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Presentation of suggestion awards:

Mayor Tollefson presented James S. Conley with a \$25.00 award for his suggestion regarding the installation of handles on each side of salters used in the maintenance division of the Public Works Department.

Mayor Tollefson presented Lawrence E. Stahl, Sr. with a \$25.00 award for his suggestion regarding the installation of a canopy and exhaust fan over battery chargers in the equipment rental garage.

Mayor Tollefson presented Mrs. Marian L. Tonan with a \$25.00 award for her suggestion to revise the daily report of the Pawnshop Detail in the Police Dept.

Mr. Conley, Mr. Stahl and Mrs. Tonan were congratulated by Mayor Tollefson, Mr. Rowlands and members of the City Council.

HEARINGS & APPEALS:

a. This is the date set for hearing for the vacation of So. 18th St. from Mason Avenue to Tyler Streets petitioned by Bertram Flake.

No one appearing and no protests being made, Mrs. Price moved that the proper ordinance be drafted approving the vacation. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

b. This is the date set for hearing on the appeal filed by Healy Bros. Inc. on the denial of the request for the rezoning of property located at the S. E. corner of So. 19th and Mason Avenue.

Mr. Ronald Thompson, attorney representing Healy Bros., explained the location of the site and contended it was unsuited for a home but would be ideal for a service station. He noted there was an existing service station, as well as an area zoned for a shopping center, diagonally across 19th Street. He felt the existing gas station should not have exclusive rights to sell gas on 19th street.

Mr. Thompson added, that this corner is the best service station site on 19th street. He said the rezoning had the support of the surrounding property owners. He felt the residential zoning was unrealistic and that no new homes have been built along the street in the last ten years. He explained that the station would be built in an attractive manner, and the character of this particular type of a service station would blend itself into the residential development which is to the east and south of the site and in no way would it have an adverse effect on the adjoining residential property.

Mr. Thompson asked that the City Council reconsider and overrule the recommendation of the Planning Commission to deny this rezone.

Mrs. B. W. Flake of 1721 So. Mason Ave. objected to the rezone.

Mr. Cvitanich noted that there were a number of service stations in the City standing vacant. He felt if a new station was built it would probably mean the demise of a station somewhere else, and it would be a mistake if this were rezoned.

Mr. Buehler, Planning Director, stated the Council should consider the effect the rezoning might have on the remaining 19th Street. He stated his office has had a number of inquiries on behalf of the proposed service stations on other property along the street. The rezonings which have been approved for apartments, a medical center and a nursing home along the street are more in keeping with the planners' idea for the thoroughfare.

Mr. Robert Strobel, Vice-Chairman, of the Planning Commission, stated they felt that 19th St. should be kept free of further commercial development since it is considered a home to work route and this would tend to impede traffic flow.

Mr. Finnigan stated that the vacant stations were caused primarily by changing traffic patterns and he felt this corner would be ideal for a service station.

Dr. Herrmann thought the rezoning request was reasonable.

Mr. Finnigan again stated that this was the most logical spot to place a gas station between Jackson Ave., to downtown and then the two stations will be on opposite sides of the street.

Mayor Tollefson stated that the Council should consider the over all plan for the City which shows the intent of a "C-P-C" Planned Community Shopping Center District for this location.

Mr. Johnson moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission to deny the petition of Healy Bros. Inc. for the rezoning of property located at the S. E. corner of So. 19th and Mason Avenue. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Roll call was taken. Ayes 4: Nays 4: Bott, Finnigan, Herrmann and Price. Mr. Bott changed his vote to "Aye". The final vote being, Ayes 5: Nays 3, Finnigan, Herrmann and Price. Absent 1, Haley. MOTION CARRIED.

PETITIONS:

(postponed from the meeting of Feb. 8, 1966)

Petition submitted by A. W. Bullis, et al requesting the rezoning of the property located at the N. W. corner of No. Pearl & Westgate Blvd. from an "R-2" to a "C-1" and "R-4-L" District.

Mayor Tollefson stated that an amendment has been submitted to the Council for a "C-P-N" District instead of a "C-1" and "R-4-L" District.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the Council accept the amendment submitted by A. W. Bullis, et al, for a "C-P-N" District. Seconded by Mr. Finnigan. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Voice vote was taken to refer the petition to the Planning Commission. Motion carried.

Mr. Rowlands stated some research has been undertaken and it has been found that King County as well as Pierce County do require a certain lapse of time before the re-introduction of a specific zoning change. He added, the staff will prepare a report and submit it to the Council at a study session on this question at a later date.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 18619

Authorizing an appropriation from the 1958 Storm Drain Construction Fund

in the sum of \$7,500 or so much as may be necessary for the purpose of constructing a storm drain in the vicinity of East 15th St. and St. Paul Avenue.

Mrs. Price moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Murtland.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Haley.

Resolution No. 18620

Reappointing Fred R. Stewart to the Building Appeals Commission for a five-year term commencing on the 4th day of February 1966.

Mr. Finnigan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Haley.

Resolution No. 18621

Authorizing the City of Tacoma to accept a grant in the sum of \$600,000 from the United States Government to assist in the construction of the North End Treatment Plant and Interceptor.

Mr. Finnigan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Haley.

Resolution No. 18622

Authorizing the proper officers to execute for and on behalf of the City of Tacoma an agreement authorizing the City to construct, operate and maintain sewer lines on certain property owned by the Northern Pacific Railway Co. in connection with the construction of the North End Treatment Plant.

Mr. Finnigan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Haley.

Resolution No. 18623

Approving the Final Plat of Cannon's Fern Hill Addition in the area on the north side of So. 90th St. between Alaska and Ainsworth Streets.

Mr. Finnigan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Haley.

Resolution No. 18624

Awarding contract to Tom Tonnesen on its bid of \$34,211.36 incl. tax for W. O. #91111.

Mr. Finnigan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent L. Haley.

Resolution No. 18625

Awarding contract to Woodworth & Company on its bid of \$29,098.59 for L I D 477L.

Mr. Finnigan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent L. Haley.

Resolution No. 18626

Fixing Monday, March 14, 1966 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for hearing on L I D 5412 for water mains in No. Pearl from 6th Ave. to No. 21st St. and in No. 14th from Pearl to Woodlawn St. and rescinding Resolution No. 18537.

Mr. Finnigan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Haley.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 18012

Changing the names of certain streets in various areas of the City of Tacoma.

Mayor Tollefson stated that it has been very difficult for strangers to find Bridgeport Way in the City of Tacoma. They do not know it is an extension of Jackson Ave. He asked if there had been any requests for a name change.

Mr. Buehler, stated that no request has come to the Planning Dept. He added, most of the changes in this ordinance are because of the street alignment changes.

Mr. Buehler stated the Planning staff would look into the matter, however, he added, the City had frequently encountered resistance to name-change proposals involving long established streets on which many people live.

The Ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 18013

Vacating a portion of East 18th Street abutting Commercial Avenue.
(petition of Port of Tacoma)

The Ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 18014

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the official code by adding a new section 13.06.055-2 to include property on the east side of Hosmer St. between So. 92nd and So. 96th Streets in an "R-3-PRD" District. (petition of Manfred J. Vierthaler)

The Ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 18015

Authorizing the condemnation of lands for the Mayfield Reservoir, Mossyrock Dam site and Mossyrock Reservoir and sites for fish hatcheries for the Cowlitz Power Development Project and repealing Ordinance No. 17758 passed January 26, 1965.

The Ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 18011

Relating to elections and precincts by adding Sections 1.14.203, 204 and 205 of the official code of the City.

Roll call was taken on the Ordinance resulting as follows:

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Haley.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

Report from the Traffic Court for the month of January 1965 and 1966.

COMMENTS:

Mr. Rowlands stated the City Council has an important meeting on Wednesday at 7:00 P. M. at Anton's Restaurant between Puyallup and Sumner, on Initiative 226. The petitions on the sales tax have been distributed to the various cities in the County. ✓ 200

Mr. Rowlands explained that a meeting will be held Thursday, Feb. 17 at 2:00 P. M. in the Council Chambers in reference to State Highway information. ✓

Mr. Rowlands stated since Tuesday, February 22, 1966 is a holiday, the City Council meeting will be held on Wednesday February 23, 1966 at 4:00 P. M. ✓ 216

Mr. Rowlands stated a study session will be held at noon on the 21st of February. ✓

Mr. Cvitanich asked that a meeting be held to discuss the situation of gas station locations in the City. ✓

Mrs. Price suggested that the Council also discuss its policy on arterials and whether property owners should be forced to "suifer" because the Council prefers to maintain residential zoning. ✓

Mr. Bott asked what the City is going to do with the property on Market Street in the downtown area since the Weyerhaeuser Co. has chosen a site Northeast of the City. ✓

Mr. Richmond, Urban Renewal Director, stated he was surprised at the number of people who are contacting their Department who wish to help develop the area. He said the Department will be advertising for bids just as soon as possible.

Mayor Tollefson stated that the Washington Public Utilities District Association is meeting in Tacoma on Thursday, Feb. 17, 1966 at 6:00 P. M. at Johnny's on the Mall. He thought it would be a pleasure to meet some of the people who are associated with the City of Tacoma in developing northwest power. He hoped that most of the Council would be present. ✓

There being no further business to come before the Council, upon motion duly seconded and passed, the meeting adjourned at 6:00 P. M.

Attest:

Josephine Meton
City Clerk

M. Tollefson
Mayor of the City Council