

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers. 4:00 P M
Tuesday, September 29, 1964

Council met in regular session Present on roll call 9: Bott, Cvitanich, Finnigan, Haley, Herrmann, Johnson, Murtland, Price and Mayor Tollefson.

Mr. Haley moved that the minutes of the meeting of Sept 16, 1964 be approved as submitted. Seconded by Mrs. Price. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Mayor Tollefson stated that Mr. John Smith, representative of the Washington State Firefighter's Union wished to speak at this time.

Mr. Haley moved that the Rules be suspended to allow Mr. Smith to speak. Seconded by Mr. Finnigan. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Mr. Smith urged the City to appropriate two property tax mills for firemen's pensions for the year 1965. He added, that the fund would be hard hit in a few years when firemen who joined the Department during World War II complete their 25 years of service and retire. He further stated that if that money is used now for something else it will be harder to raise money for the pension system in the future. He said, regardless of a Longview Superior Court ruling to the effect that a City needs to budget only enough money to meet the anticipated obligations for the ensuing year, the Legislature had intended that two mills be appropriated each year. However, he added, the ruling is being appealed by the firemen to the State Supreme Court.

Mayor Tollefson thanked Mr. Smith for this information.

HEARINGS & APPEALS:

This is the date set for hearing on the petition submitted by Lige Dickson 378 for the vacation of the alleys between So. 35th & So. 36th St. from Fife to Pine and the alley between Pine and Junett from So. Tacoma Way to the N. P. R. R. right-of-way.

No one appearing to protest, Mrs. Price moved that an Ordinance be drafted approving the vacation. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 18028 (postponed from the meeting of Sept. 22, 1964)

Amending the lease agreement between the City of Tacoma and the National Exhibition Co. for park and recreational facilities for a period of five years.

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

Mr. Bott asked if a meeting had been arranged with the County Commissioners.

Mayor Tollefson stated that he talked with Mr. Sprinker and Mr. Geiger, County Commissioners and they felt, in good faith the City should offer the Giants a five year contract with an escape clause. The clause would be in regard to Major League baseball coming into the area.

Dr. Herrmann said that no spokesman for the Giants had been present during any of the Council's discussions, and he wasn't convinced that a Cleveland move to Seattle would kill baseball in Tacoma.

Mr. Finnigan stated that the City should show fairness and understanding in its dealings with the team. He disagreed with the theory that the Giants have an obligation to pay off the stadium.

Mr. Murtland said he isn't convinced that the Giants wouldn't sign more than a one year lease.

Mr. Bott stated as long as the Giants are making money they would stay.

Mr. Johnson remarked that they will be here as long as Tacoma is a good baseball town.

After some discussion Mr. Finnigan moved that the Resolution be amended to a one year contract instead of a five year contract. Seconded by Mr. Johnson.

Roll call was taken on the motion to amend to a one-year contract. Ayes 4; Nays 5: Cvitanich, Haley, Herrmann, Murtland and Mayor Tollefson.

MOTION LOST.

Roll call was taken on the Resolution as drafted. Ayes 7; Nays 2, Finnigan, Johnson, Absent 0.

Resolution No. 18029

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to enter into a five-year lease with Cotten Bros. Co., effective from Oct. 1, 1964 to Sept. 30, 1969 for log storage area near Alder Lake.

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

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

Resolution No. 18030

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to enter into a five-year renewal lease with McCullough Bros. Lumber Co., effective from October 1, 1964 to Sept. 30, 1969.

Mr. Haley moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Murtland.

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

Resolution No 18031

Awarding contract to M. A. Wright & Sons for the reroofing of the Municipal Dock Bldg. on its bid of \$3,890.60 incl. tax which bid is determined to be the lowest and best bid.

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

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

Resolution No. 18032

Accepting the bid of Bernard Pinkney and Charles Peckenpaugh for property located at 2909 So. M (parcel 1-B-15) in the Center St. Urban Renewal Project Wash. R-1 for the sum of \$2,883.00.

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

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

Resolution No. 18033

Fixing Monday October 26, 1964 at 4.00 P. M. as the date for hearing on L I D 3592 for sanitary sewers in So. 48th from Gove to Orchard and on So. 49th from Gove to Manitou Way & So. 50th from Manitou Way to Madison.

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

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

Resolution No. 18034

Fixing Tuesday October 27, 1964 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for hearing *58-38* on the vacation of the S. E. and S. W. corner of So. 47th and Pine-Oaks Transition. (petition of Public Works Dept.)

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

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

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 17690

Vacating the east and west 3 feet of Washington St. between 6th Ave. and No. 7th St.; also the alley between 6th Ave. and No. 7th from Union Ave. to *58-10* Washington St. (petition of Tradewell Stores, Inc. and National Bank of Wash.)

The Ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 17691

Amending Section 5.22.010 & 050 of the Official Code of the City to change the impounding fee for each head of livestock to five dollars.

Francis Chapin, Assistant City Attorney, stated that the proposed change in this ordinance omits the word "domestic" and prohibits any kind of animal running at large on other person's private property. It also increases the impounding fee from \$2.00 to \$5.00. It would allow the dog pound master to pick up animals and livestock on other person's property.

Archie Fidler, Manager of the Tacoma-Pierce County Humane Society stated, this Ordinance does not cover dogs as they are under a separate ordinance.

The Ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 17680 (postponed from the meeting of Sept. 16, 1964)

Amending Section 1.12.600 of the Official Code of the City relating to the pay and compensation plan creating two new positions in the Fire Dept.

Mayor Tollefson said this matter was discussed at the Study Session on Monday.

Mr. Ketler, representative of the Civil Service League, stated that the Fire Marshall supervises only four people and is in no position to carry out policies in the Department. That is one of the basic reasons for an appointive

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position.

Roll call was taken on the Ordinance, resulting as follows:

Ayes 8; Nays 1, Cvitanich, Absent 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 17688

Vacating East "J" St. between East 61st and 62nd except the east-west alley. (petition of Martha Barrett)

Roll call was taken on the Ordinance, resulting as follows:

Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 17689

Vacating Hood Street between the east line of the alley between Oakes ^{for} and Fife Sts. and the west line of the alley between Fife and Prospect Sts. (petition of National Oil Co.)

Roll call was taken on the Ordinance, resulting as follows:

Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Director of Public Works submits the following L I D 3575 for hearing for sanitary sewers in the vicinity of No. 14th and Baltimore.

Mrs. Price moved that Monday, October 26, 1964 at 4:00 P. M. be set as the date of hearing on L I D 3575. Seconded by Mr. Finnigan. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Personnel report for the month of August 1964.
- b. Tacoma Police Dept. report for the month of August 1964.
- c. Traffic Division for the month of August 1964.
- d. Finance Dept. report for the month of August 1964.

COMMENTS:

Beatrice Vargo of 323 East 28th St. asked where the proposed boundaries of Urban Renewal run.

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Mayor Tollefson stated, at the present time the City has only two Urban Renewal projects, Fawcett St. and Center St. and with an application made for the Downtown area.

Mrs. Vargo stated most of the McKinley Hill residents are under the impression that an Urban Renewal project is planned. She stated, that Mr. Maffin, Urban Renewal Director, had outlined its boundaries at a recent meeting.

Mr. Maffin said he had been asked about boundaries in the event a project was undertaken. He said he had replied that there are certain natural boundaries, the new Freeway to the south and gulches to the east and west.

Mr. Oscar Larson of 2708 East F said he had found considerable interest in Urban Renewal in his neighborhood, the old Hawthorne School area. He stated they went door to door and found that eight out of ten people were interested in Urban Renewal. He said he had asked Mr. Maffin to speak at the Plumber's Hall, and Mr. Maffin stressed the fact that no official plans of any kind existed for an Urban Renewal project in the McKinley Hill area.

Mr. Bott stated that a Resolution had been passed stating that no Urban Renewal could be started in any part of the City unless the property owners wanted it, so there can be no Urban Renewal in any area until it goes through the proper procedure.

Mrs. Charles Cropper of the area stated that many people were misinformed especially the older residents of the community. The residents in this area have been through a great change as the freeway moved many of them out of their homes.

Mr. Hewitt explained that he felt the Central Business Plan started the rumors of the McKinley Hill Urban Renewal project.

Mr. Maffin explained that a hearing must be published and held for any proposed Urban Renewal project.

Mayor Tollefson explained the procedure followed in the rezoning of a district and added, the majority of the rezones have been petitioned by the people themselves.

Other residents of the area asked varied questions which were answered by the members of the City Council.

There being no further business to come before the Council, upon motion duly seconded and passed, the meeting adjourned at 6:30 P. M.



Mayor of the City Council

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