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COUNCIL CHAMBER, 7:40 P. M.

MONDAY, July 12th, 1954.

Council met in regular session. Present 7; Battin, Goering, Hooker, Humiston, Jensen, Stojack, Tollefson. Absent 2; Bratrud, Perdue.

It was moved by Mr. Stojack that the minutes of the previous meeting, copies of which had been mailed by the Clerk to each Councilman, be approved and the reading thereof be dispensed with. Motion seconded by Col. Hooker and carried on roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Bratrud, Perdue.

RESOLUTIONS:

Initial Resolution No. 13961. L. I. D. 2199

BY JENSEN:

Stating intention of Council to order grading to the established subgrade and placing thereon a gravel, crushed rock and oil mat surface in the alley between North 9th and North 10th Streets, from Monroe Street to Madison Street; creating L. I. D. 2199, and fixing August 3, 1954 as the date for hearing thereon. Moved by Dr. Humiston to suspend Rule 9, seconded by Col. Hooker and carried unanimously on voice vote. The resolution was then adopted without having been read in full. 297

Adopted on roll call July 12, 1954.
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Bratrud, Perdue.

Initial Resolution No. 13962

BY JENSEN: L. I. D. 2198.

Stating intention of Council to order grading to the established subgrade and placing thereon a gravel, crushed rock and oil mat surface, together with sanitary sewers on South 18th Street from State Street to Sprague Street, sanitary sewer to extend from Sprague Street to within 140 feet of the east property line of State Street; fixing August 3, 1954 as the date for hearing thereon; creating L I D 2198. Moved by Dr. Humiston to suspend Rule 9, seconded by Col. Hooker and carried unanimously on voice vote. The resolution was then adopted without having been read in full. 297

Adopted on roll call July 12, 1954.
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Bratrud, Perdue.

Initial Resolution No. 13963. L. I. D. 2200.

BY JENSEN:

Stating intention of Council to order grading to established subgrade and placing thereon a gravel, crushed rock and oil mat surface, together with cement concrete sidewalks and necessary storm drainage on South C Street from South 67th Street to South 68th Street; creating L I D 2200 and fixing August 3, 1954 as the date for hearing thereon. It was moved by Dr. Humiston to suspend Rule 9, seconded by Col. Hooker and carried unanimously on voice vote. The resolution was then adopted without having been read in full. 297

Adopted on roll call July 12, 1954.
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Bratrud, Perdue.

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Initial Resolution No. 13964. L. I. D. 2197.

BY JENSEN:

Stating intention of Council to order grading to the established subgrade and placing thereon a gravel, crushed rock and oil mat surface on the alley between 6th Avenue and North 7th Street, from Proctor Street to Madison Street; creating L I D 2197 and fixing August 3, 1954 as the date for hearing thereon. It was moved by Dr. Humiston to suspend Rule 9, motion seconded by Col. Hooker and carried unanimously on voice vote. The resolution was then adopted without having been read in full.

Adopted on roll call July 12, 1954.
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Bratrud, Perdue.

Resolution No. 13965.

BY HUMISTON:

Authorizing that a temporary loan of not to exceed \$244,000 be made from the General Fund of the City to the Metropolitan Park District, upon terms and conditions of a contract to be executed pursuant to authority granted by Ordinance No. 15056; authorizing a temporary loan in sum not to exceed \$244,000 from Local Improvement Guaranty Fund to General Fund in order to make available in said General Fund sufficient moneys to carry out the terms of said agreement; directing that all moneys received from the Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma, pursuant to said contract authorized by Ordinance No. 15056, including interest at the rate of 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ % per annum upon the unpaid balances, shall be paid into the Local Improvement Guaranty Fund herein authorized to be made to the General Fund, until said loan from the Guaranty Fund has been paid in full. Moved by Dr. Humiston, seconded by Col. Hooker to suspend rule 9 and carried unanimously on voice vote. The resolution was then adopted without having been read in full.

Adopted on roll call July 12, 1954.
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Bratrud, Perdue.

Resolution No. 13966.

BY STOJACK:

Accepting and approving the plat of Faychild Addition, located between South 82nd and South 92nd Streets and between South Park Avenue and Fawcett Avenue. It was moved by Col. Hooker to suspend Rule 9, seconded by Dr. Humiston and carried unanimously on voice vote. The resolution was then adopted without having been read in full.

Adopted on roll call July 12, 1954.
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Bratrud, Perdue.

Resolution No. 13967.

BY BATTIN:

Authorizing the payment by the City for the total cost of compensating the Public Administration Service of Chicago for the making of a salary survey and reviewing the present classification plan, in the total sum of \$7952.00, including that portion of the cost to be borne by the Department of Public Utilities.

Adopted on roll call July 12, 1954.
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Bratrud, Perdue.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:Ordinance No. 15056

Authorizing and directing a loan in an amount not exceeding \$244,000 from the City of Tacoma to the Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma, a municipal corporation, in order to provide for the continued maintenance and operation of the District's Parks and other recreational activities and facilities within the City; declaring an emergency requiring the extension of such financial aid; and authorizing the execution and delivery of a contract between the City and the Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma, setting forth the terms and conditions under which said loan shall be made and repaid. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:Ordinance No. 15050.

Amending Section 3 of Ordinance No. 14799, entitled: "An ordinance to establish the grade of North 21st Street between the west line of Proctor Street and the west line of Highland Street; to dedicate a portion of the street right of way hereof; to provide for the use of a portion of said street for an electric transmission line; to provide for the location and plan of certain improvements therein; and to determine the distribution of the cost thereof." Read by title. (Changing the grade east of Shirley Street). It was moved by Dr. Humiston to suspend Rule 9. Motion seconded by Col. Hooker and carried unanimously on voice vote. The ordinance was then passed without having been read in full.

Roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Bratrud, Perdue.

Ordinance No. 15051.

Amending Section 62f of Ordinance No. 14892, entitled: "An ordinance to provide for licensing and regulating the operation of certain devices, vehicles and things, and the carrying on of certain businesses, callings, professions, trades, occupations and activities in the City of Tacoma; to provide for the suspension and revocation of licenses issued; to establish license fees; to provide a penalty for the violation hereof; and to repeal ordinances Nos. 7545, etc." (Sec. 62f- Cruising and soliciting by taxicab drivers). Read by title. It was moved by Dr. Humiston, seconded by Col. Hooker to suspend Rule 9, and carried unanimously on voice vote. The ordinance was then passed without having been read in full.

Roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Bratrud, Perdue.

Ordinance No. 15052.

Relating to and regulating the exhibition of pictures, motion pictures, news, theatricals, public entertainments, advertising and billboard displays; prohibiting the acquisition, possession, exhibition or distribution of obscene, immoral or indecent pictures or publications and the sale of or exhibition to minors of publications featuring or depicting crimes or deeds of violence, bloodshed or lust; imposing a penalty for the violation hereof; providing for a Board of Censors; and repealing Ordinances Nos. 6538 and 13494 and all amendments thereto. Read by title. It was moved by Dr. Humiston, seconded by Dr. Battin to suspend rule 9. Motion carried unanimously on voice vote. The ordinance was then passed without having been read in full.

Roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Bratrud, Perdue.

Ordinance No. 15053. L. I. D. 4530

Providing for grading to the established subgrade and placing thereon

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a gravel and crushed rock base, with a three inch asphaltic concrete pavement; together with cement concrete curbs and gutters, on Birmingham Street from South 56th Street to South 58th Street; creating Local Improvement District No. 4530. Read by title. It was moved by Col. Hooker, seconded by Dr. Battin to suspend Rule 9 and carried unanimously on voice vote. The ordinance was then passed without having been read in full.

Roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Bratrud, Perdue.

Ordinance No. 15054. L. I. D. 4528.

Providing for the improvement of the alley between South 48th and South 49th streets from Park Avenue to South G Street, by grading to the established subgrade and placing thereon a gravel and crushed rock base, with a 3-inch asphalt concrete pavement, together with an asphalt gutter on the north side; creating Local Improvement District No. 4528. Read by title. It WAS moved by Col. Hooker to suspend Rule 9, seconded by Dr. Battin and carried unanimously on voice vote. The ordinance was then passed without having been read in full.

Roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Bratrud, Perdue.

Ordinance No. 15055.

Authorizing the purchase of vaults for use in the City Treasurer's Office; and appropriating the sum of \$800.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from Cumulative Reserve Fund for Acquiring Materials, Supplies and Equipment for Municipal Purposes, to pay the cost of acquisition of the same. Read in full and passed.

Roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Bratrud, Perdue.

Ordinance No. 15029. (Referred to Traffic Engineer on May 24th for study)

Amending Ordinance No. 11701 (Traffic Code) entitled: "An ordinance regulating travel and traffic on the streets of the City of Tacoma; providing a penalty for the violation thereof, etc." by adding thereto a section to be known as Section 109-18. (Restricted parking District North E Street between Division Avenue and North 1st). Read in full. A report was submitted from E. C. Bashey, Director of Public Works, advising that the proposed ordinance would allow more parking spaces for patrons of the Young Apartments and visitors to Stadium High by restricting time limit to two hours instead of the present unrestricted parking, and that a loading zone for the Young Apartments would not be necessary with this restriction; stating that the no parking restrictions between 4 P. M. and 6 P. M. will still be required to carry the heavy volume of traffic leaving the central business district, and recommending the passage of the ordinance. A loading zone in front of the Young Apartments was discussed and there seemed to be a difference of opinion between Mr. Jensen and Col. Hooker as to whether or not the owners and apartment manager wanted this zone. It was moved by Mr. Jensen, seconded by Mr. Stojack that the ordinance be laid over for one week to July 19th to study the problem of loading zones at the Young Apartments and to get a recommendation of letter from the owner of the building.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The program on Mental Health in Vocational Rehabilitation presented by Dr. C. R. Fargher, Director of Health, at Council meeting of July 6th and tabled until this date by motion of Council, was brought up at this time. It was moved by Dr. Humiston, seconded by Dr. Battin to table the Program on Mental Health in Vocational Rehabilitation until July 19th, 1954.

Mr. Stojack made the following statement: "Inasmuch as we have discussed with the County Commissioners for some time our space requirements in the new County City Building and I believe the County Commissioners have given due consideration to

our wishes and needs along with their own- and the plan is possibly the best that could be worked out under the circumstances," I move that we notify the County Commissioners that we approve of their plan and request that they proceed with construction as rapidly as possible, acceptance being contingent upon a satisfactory Lease Agreement. Motion seconded by Mr. Jensen.

The motion was discussed and Dr. Humiston stated he was opposed to taking any positive action at this time until the Council has received a reply from the County Commissioners on the offer made by Resolution 13960, which was adopted at the last meeting and forwarded to the County Commissioners.

Mr. Jensen read a statement in which he praised the plan for the County City Building, which has been drawn by the Architectural firm retained by the County, but which fails to provide a separate wing or building to meet with the desires of the City Council. The only positive approach to develop a working plan equal to or better than the so-called basic plan is to have one drawn in the preliminary state and nothing can be gained towards this end without something concrete on paper as all other maneuver, resolutions and theories have accomplished nothing but a delaying action, he added. At the conclusion of this statement, he moved that the City Council appropriate \$2500. to pay the fee of a consulting architectural firm to draw a preliminary plan embodying the City's ideas for a separate wing, and that the Tacoma Association of Architects be asked to grant permission to allow the City to contact one or more of its members in order to enter into an agreement to prepare a preliminary drawing for a County-City Building. Seconded by Mr. Stojack.

The motion was discussed at length and a majority of the Council members expressed themselves as favoring a move of this nature to expedite the construction of the County City Building.

As Mr. Stojack's motion held priority the roll was called on same resulting as follows: Ayes 2; Jensen, Stojack; Nays 5; Battin, Goering, Humiston, Tollefson; Absent 2, Bratrud, Perdue. The motion was declared lost.

It was moved by Dr. Humiston to amend Mr. Jensen's motion "to stipulate that if an architect is employed for the purpose of drawing the preliminary plans he be given thirty days and no longer in which to complete the work, and that the City Manager be instructed to have an emergency ordinance drawn covering the matter for next week's meeting." Motion seconded by Mr. Stojack, and carried on roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Bratrud, Perdue.

Roll was then called on Mr. Jensen's original motion, resulting as follows: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Bratrud, Perdue.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Backstrom, City Manager, advised the Council that he had been contacted by telephone by Roscoe Smith of the Tacoma Safety Council, and Chief Kerr of the Tacoma Police Department, and notified that Tacoma has had 29 consecutive deathless days, and they had asked Council's consideration on the granting of two hours free parking (possibly from 2 P. M. to 4 P. M.) in all metered parking zones on the day following the reaching of our goal of 100 deathless days in the City to celebrate that event. It was moved by Mr. Jensen, seconded by Dr. Battin, to suspend Rule 7, regarding the filing of new matter, in order to consider the aforementioned subject. Carried on voice vote unanimously. 212

It was then moved by Dr. Humiston, Seconded by Mr. Jensen, that the City Manager be directed to bring in a resolution covering this as soon as possible. Motion carried on roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Bratrud, Perdue.

Mr. Backstrom, City Manager, reported on the progress being made on the new Personnel Rules, which have been prepared by the Personnel Department, and stated that these rules ultimately will have to be adopted by the City Council before they can be put into effect. He suggested that an ordinance be introduced next Monday, submitting the rules as originally compiled by the Director of Personnel, for first reading next Monday in order to expedite the putting into effect of the program. These rules as contained in the ordinance should be subject to revisions by both the Utilities Board and the Civil Service Board, he added. It was moved by Dr. Humiston, seconded by Dr. Battin to suspend Rule 7, regarding the filing of new matter, in order to consider Mr. Backstrom's proposition. Motion carried unanimously on voice vote. 245

The matter was discussed at length and the feasibility of submitting this ordinance by title only, rather than the complete ordinance, which

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that have to be revised and changed, was considered. Mr. Boyle, City Attorney, advised that it was legal to submit the ordinance for first reading by title only. It was then moved by Dr. Humiston, seconded by Dr. Battin, that the City Manager be instructed to bring in this ordinance by title only, covering the new Personnel Rules. Motion carried: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Bratrud, Perdue.

Mr. D. H. Ketler, Business Representative of the Municipal Civil Service League, asked for an audience with the Council at this time and was granted this courtesy. He said the City Employees, whom he represents, are concerned over a rumor that the recommendations for revision of the rules, which had been submitted by the Civil Service Board to the Council, had been referred back to that body with the request that they make changes to meet the approval of the Council Committee which is currently considering these rules and recommended changes, and he asked if this were the case, so that this rumor might be stopped, if untrue. Mrs. Goering, Chairman of the Council Committee, said that no such request had been made of the Civil Service Board to her knowledge. Dr. Humiston, one of the members of the Committee, stated that the recommendations had been withdrawn from consideration by the Civil Service Board of their own volition, pending a review of same by the Public Utility Board as through inadvertence these recommendations had not been presented to the Board, but that no request had been made by the Council Committee to have the Civil Service Board make any changes. Mr. Stojack stated that he too had attended the meeting with the Civil Service Board, and that he had asked an individual member of the Council that in the event any additional recommendations or changes are made by the Board, that he be supplied with the reasons for such changes in writing, and as far as he knew that was the only request made at this meeting.

Upon motion, duly made, seconded and carried, Council then adjourned at 7:30 P. M.

H. M. TOLLEFSON

President of City Council

Attest: Edna Welnes
Deputy City Clerk.