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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers, 4:00 P. M.
Tuesday, June 6th, 1967

Council met in regular session. Present on roll call 8: Bott, Cvitanich, Finnigan, Haley, Johnson, Murtland, Price and Mayor Tollefson. Absent 1: Dr Herrmann. Dr. Herrmann arriving at 4:15 P. M.

HEARINGS & APPEALS:

This is the date set for hearing for the rezoning of property located between So. 82nd & 84th Sts. between Alaska & Hosmer Sts. from an "R-2" to an "R-4-L" District, submitted by John T. Steward Company.

No one appearing and no protests being made, Mrs. Price moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the rezoning and that an ordinance be drafted approving same. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

PETITIONS:

Petition submitted by James P. Healy requesting rezoning of property on the west side of Pine St. between So. 45th & So. 47th Streets.

Referred to the Planning Commission.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 19213

Appropriating the sum of \$481,405.00 from the General Fund for expenditures to various Departments of the City for Salaries and Capital Outlay.

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

Mr. Finnigan said discussion was held at the study session pertaining to the hiring procedures of policemen and he hoped that examinations could be processed more rapidly in the future.

Mayor Tollefson explained that is one of the problems of recruitment in civil service procedures.

Chief Zittel explained the one problem is that a qualified man who wants to become a police officer today must wait from two to four months to clear the civil service hiring procedures. Recruiting has been difficult because of the intense competition in the labor market in this area. A memo has been sent to the City's Personnel Dept. asking for a change in procedures to allow instant civil service examinations to be given any candidate for a patrolman's position.

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, said he would look into the matter.

Mr. Sankovich, Ass't. City Manager, said funds for this type of a program were set up in the preliminary budget but had to be deleted in the final budget.

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He hoped that within two weeks a report can be submitted to the City Council as to a plan of action.

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

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 18323

Amending Section 6.16.050 & 060 of the official code to amend the license fee of Archery Ranges to be sum of twenty-five dollars per year payable on an annual basis.

The ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 18324

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the official code by adding a new section 13.06.050-17 to include property on the north side of So. 12th St. between Mullen & Cheyenne St. extended in an "R-3" District. (petition of William L. Bailey)

The ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 18318

Amending Sec. 1.12.450 of the official code by adding a new sub-section 2044 to include a new classification of Air Pollution Meteorologist.

Mr. Joe Durnin, Air Pollution Control officer, explained that a new sampling station is being built near North 26th and Pearl Street which will include meteorological equipment as well as sulphur dioxide sampling equipment. The staff has also prevailed upon the Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp. to finance the construction of two more meteorological stations in the City which will enable a network of meteorological stations within Tacoma.

Mr. Durnin introduced Arnold E. Brannock who will serve as the Air Pollution Meteorologist if the ordinance is approved.

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. 18319

Amending Sub-section 1.12.230 A. L. of Section 1.12.230 of the official code relative to the Pay & Compensation Plan so as to remove the 150 day limitation on sick leave accruals effective as of July 1, 1967.

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. 18320

Vacating a portion of So. K Street lying immediately south of So. 30th St. (petition of Urban Renewal Dept.)

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. 18321

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the official code of the City by adding a new section 13.06.065-71 to include property on the east side of Pacific Ave. between So. 80th & 82nd Sts. in an "R-4-L" District. (petition of Tacoma Planning Commission)

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. 18322

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the official code by adding a new section 13.06.045-6 to include property on the S. E. corner of So. 19th and Lawrence St. in an "R-2-T" District. (petition of Comfort, etal.)

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

Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.
The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

Report from the Tacoma Employees Retirement System-26th Annual Report.

COMMENTS:

Mr. Sankovich, Ass't. City Manager, mentioned that business and civic leaders from Dallas and Ft. Worth, Texas will be visiting in Tacoma on Wednesday, June 7th. They are here for a promotional program and inaugural flight of the Brannif Airlines. They will be at the County-City Building at 12:15 P. M. on Wednesday and would like to have as many Council members present as possible to meet them. ✓

Mr. Bill Segalle, owner of the Federal Way Disposal Company, was present and explained to the City Council that requests have been made by property owners in the area for the City of Tacoma to take over refuse services in N. E. Tacoma. Mr. Segalle explained that they have quite an investment in equipment to serve that area and feel they are giving adequate service to their customers.

Mayor Tollefson explained that a review of this matter had been given

at a study session on Monday, June 5th and it was the opinion of the Council that no commitment could be made until a Council meeting was held. However, indications seemed to be, rather than implement the City's collection program in that area as of the first of July of 1967 as indicated, the Council would take into consideration the fact that the Federal Way Disposal Service and the Points Garbage Service had served the area for a considerable period of time. Although there had been some requests for City service, the Council would not initiate that program until January 1, 1968.

Mr. Segalle asked if a contract or franchise could be consummated so that their companies could continue this service.

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, explained that Sec. 5.20.050 of the City code reads: "in the case of isolated dwellings or places of business located in sparsely-settled portions of the city, or where reasonable access cannot be had by truck, garbage and refuse therefrom may, upon special permission of the Public Works Department, Sanitary Division, be collected, removed and disposed of in such manner as said department shall, in and by such permit, approve and direct." Mr. McCormick continued, the problem now is when does an area become sparsely settled and when does it reach the point where, under the ordinance, must the City necessarily take over. Also under the ordinance it states, "it shall be the duty of every such person to cause such garbage and refuse to be removed and disposed of by the Public Works Department, Sanitary Division, of the City." He added, there is no provision in the ordinance as it now reads for compulsory garbage collection by an independent contractor. Unless this ordinance is amended, he did not believe the City could make compulsory garbage collection legally effective unless it is collected by the Public Works Dept.

Mr. George Kargianis, attorney for the Federal Way Garbage Disposal Co., Inc. and the Points Garbage Service, informed the Council that customers have offered to sign a petition addressed to the City Council asking that the present service be continued by the present operators. They felt this was a question of whether or not the present operators in the area were giving good service, whether or not they were willing to amend the amount and type of service they were giving to include all residents of the City of Tacoma in the N. E. territory and finally, whether or not there should be some consideration given by the City Council for the amount and type of investment made by these operators, in order to give all individuals within the service area the finest possible available type of service.

Mr. Murtland moved that the City Attorney draw up an amendment to the ordinance that is in effect at this time to provide that the City can, by contract for one year or through a franchise to be renewed at the discretion of the Council, hire an independent contractor for this service and if necessary, include therein provisions for compulsory service. Seconded by Mr. Haley.

Mr. McCormick asked if this would be on a temporary basis and would it apply to any region within the City of Tacoma.

Dr. Herrmann said these operators are doing business at the present time in N. E. Tacoma under a contract and unless the Council changes it, they can continue to serve the property. He felt it was the concensus of the Council that they could be there until January of 1968.

Mr. Finnigan felt it would be practicable to allow the companies to continue their service until January of 1968, it will then give the Council time to analyze the situation. The companies should be given at least two month's notice of any decision of the Council to take over the area.

Mayor Tollefson felt, since the City has a disposal service, it should service the area in question along with the other areas inside the City. From all indications the City will allow the two companies to operate until January 1st without special permits.

Mr. Murtland withdrew his motion with the consent of the second.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the present level of service be maintained by the private operators until January 1st, 1968 at which time the Council mutually agrees that the City of Tacoma will furnish garbage service on a compulsory basis to the residents incorporated within the City. Seconded by Mr. Murtland.

Mr. Finnigan and Mr. Murtland felt, perhaps, the two disposal companies might be able to do a better job than the City even after January 1st.

Mr. Haley suggested that an amendment be made to the ordinance in regard to compulsory garbage service even though it is collected by other companies, rather than the Public Works Dept.

Mr. McCormick pointed out there is no legal authority for compulsory garbage service for residents of the area even though the City isn't providing the service.

Mayor Tollefson suggested that the motion be amended to give the residents of the area sixty day's notice prior to termination.

Mr. Finnigan moved for an amendment to Dr. Herrmann's motion, that the City not require compulsory service on January 1st, but that the companies be given sixty day's notice as to whether or not the service will be terminated. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Voice vote was taken on Dr. Herrmann's motion as amended. Motion carried.

Mayor Tollefson stated the companies will be allowed to continue to serve the area, and it is guaranteed that the companies will be given at least two month's notice of any decision by the City to take over the area.

Mayor Tollefson felt that perhaps an amendment to the ordinance could be drafted as suggested by Mr. Haley, after further study on the matter.

Mayor Tollefson introduced Mr. Doug Howard, the Tacoma Junior Soccer Association publicity director, who informed the Council that the Tacoma Wanderers, the Tacoma Junior Soccer Team, will depart July 16th for London, England. This team will become the first United States boys squad to make a soccer trip to England.

Coach Frank Hall stated the official traveling party of fifteen will be met in London by representatives of the English Soccer Schoolboys Association, which will cover the expenses while the group is in England. It is hoped that this will become an exchange program every two years. 332 ✓

Mayor Tollefson stated he would obtain Keys to the City for the boys to present to the dignitaries of the cities they visit.

Mayor Tollefson and members of the Council congratulated the Junior Team for their accomplishments and wished them well on their trip.

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

Attest

Josephine A. Nelson
City Clerk

Tom Tollefson
Mayor of the City Council