

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers  
May 20, 1975

The meeting was called to order at 5:12 p.m.

Present on roll call: 8 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick and Mayor Johnston. Absent: 1 - Moss.

The Flag Salute was led by Mrs. Egan.

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C O N S E N T   A G E N D A

Approval of the minutes of the meeting of May 13 and special meeting of May 14, 1975.

PETITIONS:                    Conifer Developments, Inc. requesting the rezoning of the property located west of Wilkeson Street between South 76th and South 74th Street extended from an "R-2" to an "R-4-L" District.

For referral to the Hearings Examiner.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 23370            Fixing Tuesday, June 10, 1975 at 5:00 p.m. as the date for hearing for consideration of the amended Urban Renewal Plan for the New Tacoma Urban Renewal Project, Wash. R-14.

Resolution No. 23372            Fixing Monday, June 9, 1975 at 4:00 p.m. as the date for hearing L.I.D. 8058 for permanent paving on North Baltimore from North 38th to North 39th; and other nearby streets; and in storm drains in North Bennett from North 39 th to North 42nd and other nearby streets.

Resolution No. 23373            Fixing Monday, June 9, 1975 at 4:00 p.m. as the date for hearing L.I.D. 8059 for permanent paving on "A" Street from East 43rd to East 45th Street; also storm drains only in South 43rd from Pacific Avenue to "A" Street.

Resolution No. 23374            Fixing Monday, June 9, 1975 at 4:00 p.m. as the date for hearing L.I.D. 8066 for permanent paving on North 28th Street from North Washington to North Baltimore Street and other streets nearby; also storm drain only in North Washington from North 28th to North 29th Street.

ASSESSMENT ROLLS:

The Director of Public Works presents the Assessment Roll for the following:

LID 8019 - permanent paving on Spokane Street from East Division Lane to East 36th Street; East 75th Street from East "D" to McKinley Avenue and other nearby streets; also storm drains only in East "R" from East 29th to East 30th Street; in easement located 215 feet south of East 75th from East "D" Street west 340 feet and other nearby streets.

Fixing Monday, June 23, 1975 at 4:00 p.m. as the date for hearing.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Monthly report, March, 1975, Traffic Division, Police Dept.
- b. Monthly report, March, 1975, Police Department.
- c. Monthly report, April, 1975, Traffic Violations & Court Cases, Municipal Court.
- d. Emergency Services Department filing Personnel & Administrative Claim for March, 1975.
- e. Program Management System, Quarterly Program Report, March 31, 1975.
- f. Summary results of Citizens' Attitude Survey as undertaken by Citizens' Budget Committee - Planning Department.

Mr. Nalley moved that all of the items listed on the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 23370, 23372, 23373 and 23374, be approved. Seconded by Mr. Nelson. Voice vote was taken and carried. The items were declared approved.

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R E G U L A R   A G E N D A

COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. Legislative Report to the City Council by Mel Gaumer, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor.

Mayor Johnston announced that the legislature is in the final days of the session and Mr. Gaumer felt it would be in the best interests of the City if he were to remain in Olympia to closely follow the legislative activities. Mayor Johnston moved that item "a" be removed from the Agenda. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote was taken and carried. Item "a" was removed from the Agenda.

- b. Hearings Examiner submitting report on Shoreline Management Permit Application No. 141.102, Black Liquor Spill Collection Facility--St. Regis Paper Co. (5-12-75 Hearings Examiner approved application)

Robert Backstein, Hearings Examiner, reviewed the application, his findings and conclusions, and his recommendation that the permit be granted subject to certain conditions.

Mr. Nelson moved to concur in the recommendation of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Roll call vote resulted in Ayes: 8 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick and Mayor Johnston. Nays: 0. Absent: 1 - Moss. The motion carried.

- c. Hearings Examiner submitting report on Shoreline Management Permit Application No. 141.103 Railcar Woodchip Unloading Facility-St. Regis Paper Co. (5-12-75 Hearings Examiner approved application)

Robert Backstein, Hearings Examiner, reviewed the application, his findings and conclusions, and his recommendation that the permit be granted subject to certain conditions.

Mr. Nelson moved to concur in the recommendation of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Roll call vote resulted in Ayes: 8 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick and Mayor Johnston. Nays: 0. Absent: 1 - Moss. The motion carried.

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FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 20431 Appropriating the sum of \$40,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Federal Shared Revenue Fund for the purpose of establishing and operating the Youth Coalition Project and authorizing the execution of an agreement with United Way of Pierce County.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick, Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Moss

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20432 Amending Sections 1.24.320, 1.24.330, 1.24.430, 1.24.470 and 1.24.830 of the Personnel Rules relative to class specifications, employee oaths and discrimination and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick, Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Moss

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20433 Appropriating the sum of \$50,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the Federal Shared Revenue Fund for the purpose of establishing and operating a Dust Oil Sealing Program.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick, Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Moss

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20434 Amending Chapter 12.12 of the Official Code relative to establishing bus fares for connection with METRO and for senior citizens and handicapped persons.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick, Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Moss

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20435 Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L.I.D. 8007 for permanent paving on South 13th from South Fife to South Prospect Street; and other nearby streets and storm drain lines in South Prospect from South 12th to South 13th and South Cushman from South 46th to South 47th Street.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick, Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Moss

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20436 Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L.I.D. 8012 for permanent paving on South Asotin from South 49th to South 53rd South 52nd from So. Asotin to So. Cushman; So. 54th from So. Cushman to Sherican Avenue; storm drain line in South 51st from South Asotin to South Cushman Avenue.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick, Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Moss

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20437 Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L.I.D. 8039 for permanent paving on South 70th from South Oakes to South Prospect; South Fife from South 70th to South 72nd; and Montgomery from South 76th to South 77th Street.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Egan, Herrmann, Hudson, Nalley, Nelson, Sonntag, Warnick, Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Moss

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 20438 Renaming a portion of Broadway from South 9th to South 13th to Broadway Plaza.

Ron Button, City Engineer, advised that property owners and business houses on Broadway are in favor of the name change.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 20439 Enacting an additional levy and surtax on the business and occupation tax for the months of July, August and September, 1975; declaring an effective date thereof and providing that said ordinance shall be void and of no effect from and after January 1, 1976.

Richard Newman, Tax and License Director, advised that 25 percent surtax should raise a sum of between \$210,000 and \$250,000. On question of Council members, Mr. Newman advised that the first half 1975 B & O tax revenues were approximately \$100,000 more than the 1974 first half. After discussion, Mr. Nalley requested the April, 1975 Finance Director's monthly report be furnished as soon as possible in order that a determination can be made on the B & O Tax.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 20440 Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code relative to establishing an intent and purpose for special and conditional use permits and also establishing criteria for granting of special and conditional use permits.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 20441 Authorizing execution of an agreement with the National Science Foundation for services performed by the City and appropriating the sum of \$4,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the National Science Foundation grant.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 23375 Appointing Peter Rasmussen to the City Beautification Committee for a three year term expiring on May 20, 1978 and Dr. Lester Baskin to the City Beautification Committee to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Edward Seferian expiring on January 22, 1977.

Mrs. Egan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Nalley. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 23376 Authorizing the settlement of the claim of James A. Gray in the amount of \$710.00.

Mr. Hudson moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Egan. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 23377 Authorizing the execution of a fourth amendatory contract amending Loan and Grant Contract No. Wash. R-3(LG) between the City of Tacoma and the U.S.A.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 23378 Extending the agreement between the City of Tacoma, acting through the Tacoma-Pierce County Civic Arts Commission, and Thomas O. McCarthy for the completion of historic pamphlets.

Mr. Hudson moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- a. This is the date set for hearing the appeal of Harry H. Horowitz, C.P.A., on the Tax & License Department's audit assessment notice on the Safety Barricade Company and/or National Barricade Company. (Continued from the meeting of May 6th)

Richard Newman, Tax & License Department Director, advised that he and a City Accountant had met with Mr. Horowitz and Mr. Bryson. Investigation disclosed that National Barricade books reflect income which is not generated by the Tacoma office. He asked that Council concur with an agreement reached to grant a one year extension in which they can keep track of income shown on the Safety Barricade Company but not generated by the Tacoma Office. After one year the department will conduct another audit and make a determination.

Dr. Herrmann moved to concur in the conditions of the agreement and to extend for one year the payment of the audit assessment. Seconded by Mr. Nelson. Voice vote was taken and carried.

- b. This is the date set for hearing on proposed text amendments relative to street vacation, platting and the Hearings Examiner.

Russell Buehler, Planning Department Director, explained this would assign the street vacations and platting to the Public Works Department and the Hearings Examiner.

Mr. Sonntag moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote was taken and carried.

c. This is the date set for hearing the vacation of North "E" Street from North 1st Street to North 3rd Street. (Tacoma School District)

Mr. Buehler advised that the School District has not appealed the Planning Commission's denial of the street vacation; however, State law requires that Council take the final action.

On a question concerning temporary closure of the street, Mr. John Milroy, School District #10 official, confirmed they are working with the Public Works Department for a workable plan for the safety of students crossing the street to the new building.

Speaking against the street vacation were: Judge W. A. Richmond, 601 North Stadium Way; Ed Richards, 505 North Stadium Way; and Joe Selmer, 409 North "E" Street.

Speaking in favor was Tom Stenger, member of the Stadium Student Council.

Dr. Herrmann moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried.

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COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Mayor Johnston, on behalf of the City Council, expressed sadness on the unexpected death of Bruce Vanderhoof, new Bicentennial Director and former Manager of the Broadway Plaza.

Mr. Sonntag commented on questions raised during the hearing on vacation of "E" Street pertaining to Police Officers outside of Stadium High School. He said he was told traffic officers are at Stadium High because of traffic safety reasons.

Mr. Sonntag asked to be excused from next week's meeting to attend a conference out of town.

Mr. Nelson moved that the request be granted. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mr. Warnick referred to a question raised by certain citizens who presented him with a copy of a November 1950 issue of the News Tribune, which spoke of a bond issue which had passed which would provide for a sea wall and divided highway along Ruston Way. He asked for information on this ballot issue.

Mr. Hudson commented on the new roll of the Planning Commission and requested Mrs. Egan to express to the Planning Commission the desire of Council members to participate in the Commission's decisions.

Mr. Hudson asked the City Manager's Office to explore the Code problems concerning remodeling of the Blackwell Mansion.

Mrs. Egan advised that the Planning Commission is meeting Wednesday, May 21, 1975 at noon in Room 332 and invited Council members to attend.

Mr. Warnick reminded staff of his request regarding the building next to the Old City Hall.

Mayor Johnston acknowledged the presence of a Boy Scout Troop.

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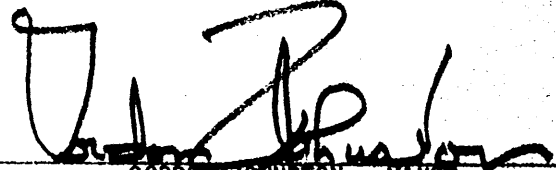
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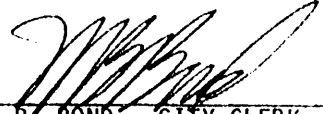
Bill Allard, Chairman of the West Slope Community Council, read a statement on the question of how problems of development should be faced and solved.

Mayor Johnston moved to refer the proposal to the Planning Commission. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried.

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On proper motion, the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

  
GORDON JOHNSTON - MAYOR

ATTEST:   
H. B. BOND - CITY CLERK

