

Monday, September 10, 1956.

Council met in regular session. Present 9; Battin, Bratrud, Goering, Humiston, Jensen, Perdue, Stojack, Tollefson, Anderson. Absent 0.

It was moved by Mr. Bratrud, seconded by Dr. Battin, that the minutes of the previous meeting, copies of which had been mailed by the Clerk to each Council Member, be approved and the reading thereof be dispensed with. Motion carried on roll call: Ayes 8; Nays 1; Jensen (Not voting). Absent 0.

RESOLUTIONS:Resolution No. 14767.By BATTIN:

Fixing October 8th, 1956 as the date for hearing on petition to vacate the portion of the plat of Reuter's First Tideland Addition lying southeasterly of Lincoln Avenue and all streets, alleys and public ways located therein. (Petition Port of Tacoma- 6-25-56).

Adopted on roll call September 10, 1956.
Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 14768.By STOJACK:

Authorizing the execution of a quit claim deed conveying to Edward P. Miller two ten foot strips fronting on Narrows Drive, for which Edward P. Miller deeded to the City of Tacoma a 100 foot right of way through Skyline Terrace 2nd Addition, but actually only 80 feet of this right of way was used for Narrows Drive.

Adopted on roll call September 10, 1956.
Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 14761. (laid over to this date on September 4th).By BATTIN:

490 Authorizing and directing the purchase of the following equipment for use in Department of Public Works: 1 electric Royal Typewriter and stand; 2 Automatic Monroe Calculators; 1 Mobile Transmitter and Receiver Accessory kit at a total cost not in excess of \$2,306.32 and that sufficient funds be appropriated from Cumulative Reserve Fund, Capital Outlay, for payment therefor. Mr. Rowlands reported that the Public Works Staff had checked into the prices of other makes of machines. The Royal typewriter along with one other make were low at the same price, Mr. Rowlands said. The Marchant calculator was quoted at \$10.00 lower than the Monroe, he added, but in view of the rental to be applied on the purchase price, the Monroe would cost the City a lesser amount. The rental to be applied amounts to \$40.00 on one machine and \$45.00 on the other or a total of \$85.00 a month, and two months rental amounting to \$170.00 has already been paid and another rent payment is due now, Mr. Staman reported. Mr. Staman also stated that his Department did not at this time desire to trade-in the 6 volt radio, as set forth in the resolution. Mr. Tollefson said he did not favor this type of transaction as it gave the Department an opportunity to rent the machine they want for a couple of months and then at a later date purchase the machine on the basis of it being cheaper due to the rent which can be applied on the purchase price. He favored disregarding the rent already paid and accepting the lowest bid, even if it does cost the City an additional \$170.00, Mr. Tollefson added. Mr. Perdue said he too was not in favor of this practice, but in this particular case he felt the res-

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olution should be adopted in order to save the City \$170.00. City Manager Rowlands assured the Council that this type of transaction will not occur again in the future. It was moved by Mr. Tollefson, seconded by Mr. Bratrud that the resolution be amended by striking the name "Monroe" and substituting the name "Marchant" therefor. Lost on roll call: Ayes 3; Bratrud, Stojack, Tollefson. Nays 6; Battin, Goering, Humiston, Jensen, Perdue, Anderson. Absent 0. Roll was then called on the adoption of the resolution and it was adopted with the understanding that the 6-volt radio was not to be traded-in.

Adopted on roll call September 10, 1956.

Ayes 6; Nays 3; Bratrud, Stojack, Tollefson. Absent 0.

It was moved by Mr. Jensen, seconded by Dr. Humiston, to suspend rule 7, relative to filing of new matter for Council's consideration, in order to act on two resolutions which are not on tonight's Agenda. Motion carried unanimously on voice vote.

Resolution No. 14769.

By HUMISTON:

Authorizing and directing the proper officials to execute an agreement for the rental and sale of certain real property between the City of Tacoma and Donald W. Lyle Inc. At the request of Mr. Tollefson, City Manager Rowlands briefed the Council on what has taken place with regard to this transaction. In conclusion, Mr. Rowlands advised that in the next 5 years the City of Tacoma will realize \$40,000 on this lease and sale instead of \$24,500, which is the amount the City would have realized if the Company had exercised its option to purchase last March.

Adopted on roll call September 10, 1956.

Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 14770.

By PERDUE:

Denying Application No. 11371 of the Oliver Taxi and Ambulance Service, Inc. for a three-car taxi stand (new) at 2115 Pacific Avenue.

Adopted on roll call September 10, 1956.

Ayes 8; Nays 1; Tollefson; Absent 0.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 15698. L I D 2152.

Approving and confirming assessment roll for cost of improvement in L I D 2152-- crushed rock oil mat on East 30th Street from East L to within 15 feet of the west line of East M Street. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15699. L I D 2234.

Approving and confirming assessment roll for cost of improvement in L I D 2234-- oil mat surface in alley between North Huson and North Orchard Streets from North 37th Street to North 38th Street. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15700. L I D 5258.

Approving and confirming assessment roll for cost of improvement in

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L I D 5258-- cast iron water mains in East E Street, F Street and G Street from East 84th Street to East 86th Street and in East 86th Street from East D Street to East G Street. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15701. L I D 5262.

Approving and confirming assessment roll for cost of improvement in L I D 5262-- cast iron water main in East 67th Street from A Street to East B Street. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15702. L I D 5281.

Providing for construction of a 12-inch cast iron water main in South 19th Street from Adams Street to Durango Street and a 6-inch cast iron water main in Durango Street from South 17th Street to South 19th Street. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 15693.

Authorizing a temporary loan in the amount of \$235,000.00 from the Local Improvement Guaranty Fund to the General Fund for a period of ten years and providing for the repayment of said loan together with interest; authorizing the appropriation of said sum from the General Fund for the purpose of the construction of a 60-inch storm trunk line through the Town of Fircrest, for land acquisition, and for any other construction necessary in connection therewith. Read by title and passed.

Roll call: Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Ordinance No. 15694.

Authorizing the payment of certain periodic salary increases agreed to be paid to certain employees of the City, pursuant to provisions of compensation plan, itemized provision for which, through error and inadvertence, was not specifically set forth in the annual budget for 1956. Read by title and passed.

Roll call: Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Ordinance No. 15695.

Amending Section 6 of Ordinance No. 15645 entitled: "An ordinance to prescribe the manner in which obligations of the City shall be paid, etc." (Providing that pay rolls shall be delivered to the Director of Finance not later than the second working day after the end of the pay period.) Read by title. Mr. Rowlands said he would like to have this ordinance laid over until he has had an opportunity to confer with the finance officials. This conference will be held before next Monday's meeting Mr. Rowlands added. It was moved by Dr. Humiston, seconded by Mr. Bratrud to postpone Ordinance No. 15695 for one week to September 17, 1956. Motion carried on roll call: Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Ordinance No. 15653 (laid over to this date on July 9, 1956).

Amending Ordinance No. 14793-- ZONING ORDINANCE-- by adding new section to be known as Section 5D (From "R-2" one Family Dwelling District to "R-3" Two Family Dwelling District- n. w. corner of 6th Avenue and Huson). Read by title. It was pointed out that the City Council has scheduled a hearing for September 17th on the appeal of Harold E. Wagner, et al from this decision of the City Planning Commission. It was moved by Mr. Tollefson, seconded by Dr. Battin that Ordinance No. 15653 be postponed for one week to September 17, 1956. Motion carried on roll call: Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

This being the date fixed by the Council for the hearing on the petition of Mueller-Harkins Motor Co. (8-6-56) for replat of certain property located between North 30th and North 33rd Streets, east of Pearl Street to be known as "Westgate Estates No. 1", the matter was brought up for consideration at this time. 463
The Clerk reported that no remonstrances had been filed and that the replat had been approved by the City Planning Commission. No demonstrators being present, it was moved by Dr. Humiston, seconded by Dr. Battin that the petition of Mueller-Harkins Motor Co. for replat to be known as "Westgate Estates No. 1" be granted. Motion carried on roll call: Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

The Clerk read a memorandum from L. P. Staman, Director of Public Works, stating that his department desires to delay the passing of the ordinance for L I D No. 4613, (Paving of "L" Street from South 35th to South 39th Street, also Ainsworth and Cushman Avenue from South 37th to South 38th Street) until such time as City participation funds are available. Mr. Rowlands stated there is only approximately \$20,000.00 remaining in the L I D Participation Fund for 1956, while the sum required for L I D 4613 is in the neighborhood of \$23,000.00, which exceeds the amount available by \$3,000.00. This project will probably be included in next year's budget, Mr. Rowlands added. It will be possible to take care of one or two more smaller districts this year, which do not require as much City participation, Mr. Rowlands said. Dr. Humiston inquired as to what the objection was to passing the ordinance now and allowing the Department to hold-off until funds are available. Mr. McCormick replied that the Council by this act will be appropriating more money than is available. Dr. Humiston and Mr. Bratrud said they felt it was unfair to give funds to other districts when L I D 4613 has a priority, and if possible this additional \$3,000 should be made available. It was moved by Mr. Tollefson, seconded by Mr. Stojack that the providing Ordinance for L I D 4613 be given first reading next Monday, and that a resolution be prepared transferring sufficient funds from the City Street Fund to the L I D Participation Fund. Carried on roll call Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0. City Attorney McCormick was directed to see that these two documents are prepared for Monday's meeting. 467 48.0

Dr. Humiston brought up for discussion the action taken last Monday night by the passage of Ordinance # 15697, providing for creation of L I D 2264 on a 63% petition without the formality of holding a public hearing. This ordinance was not on the agenda and was merely ready by title and passed as an emergency, he stated. Although he is aware it was legal, there is considerable doubt in his mind as to whether this procedure is a good idea, he added. He pointed out that without a hearing some of the property owners are not aware of the improvement until they receive the bill and have no chance to remonstrate. For a good many years no L I D has been processed without holding a hearing, and he does not feel the policy of not holding hearings should be followed. Mr. Bratrud said he felt a definite policy on this matter should be established by Council. It was moved by Mr. Tollefson that with regard to Local Improvement Districts that, unless a petition is 100%, it be the established policy of the Council to hold hearings whether a sufficient petition is filed or whether the district is initiated by Council. Motion seconded by Dr. Humiston. Lost on roll call: Ayes 4; Bratrud, Goering, Humiston, Tollefson; Nays 5; Battin, Jensen, Perdue, Stojack, Anderson. 473

Mr. Stojack asked if the Charter Committee had anything to report as the deadline for submitting amendments is drawing near. Mayor Anderson said he had two things that he was preparing. These will be ready by next week and he will submit them to the Committee at that time, the Mayor said. Dr. Humiston said he had not called a Committee meeting as he had received no suggestions in writing, and nothing very definite in conversation. Mr. Stojack said he had given two suggestions to Dr. Humiston but he wasn't aware that they needed to be in writing. Mr. Tollefson said he felt when he appointed the Committee it was to have two functions: (1) to receive suggestions for Charter changes; and (2) to come 469 48. 56.7

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up with ideas of its own. Mr. McCormick said he thought the deadline for submitting amendments is September 21st, and he was doubtful if there is still time to prepare anything for submission at the November election. Dr. Humiston advised the Committee that a meeting will be held Monday, September 17th at 3 P. M.

Upon motion, duly seconded and carried, Council then adjourned at 8:42 P. M.

Attest:

Josephine Melton
City Clerk.

John H. Anderson
President of City Council.