

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
August 17th, 1971.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Johnston at 7:00 P. M.

Present on roll call 8: Corsi, Egan, Finnigan, Herrmann, Maule, Moss, Schroeder and Mayor Johnston. Absent 1: Jarstad (excused).

The Flag Salute was led by Councilman Schroeder.

Mayor Johnston read a Proclamation designating the week of August 15th through 20th as New Voters Week as proclaimed by the Governor of Washington. The 26th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States ratified on June 30th, 1971, gave the right to vote to citizens age 18 through 20. He urged all citizens eligible to register to vote to do so before August 21st in order to be qualified to vote in the Primary Election in September.

Mayor Johnston also presented a Proclamation to Rev. E. S. Brazill, Chairman of the Executive Board of the Model Cities Program, designating the week of August 16th through 21st as Health Action Week.

Mrs. Egan moved to approve the minutes of July 27th as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Voice vote was taken and carried.

HEARINGS & APPEALS:

- (a) This is the date set for the hearing on the appeal filed by Robert D. Paulson on the Planning Commission's denial of the request for rezoning of the east side of Hosmer Street between South 72nd and South 74th Streets from a "C-F-P" to a "C-2" District.

Mr. Buehler, Planning Director, reviewed the rezone request with the Council.

Mr. Gerla, Planning Commission member, reported on the reasons for the Planning Commission's denial of the request.

Discussion disclosed that Council member did not feel the area should be restricted to freeway facilities, vehicular services and highway travelers.

After discussion the petitioner agreed to meet certain "C-2" requirements as set forth in his letter of appeal and to comply with all the "C-F-P" requirements (sign requirements, set backs, etc.).

Motion made by Mr. Moss and seconded by Mr. Schroeder to disapprove the Planning Commission's denial and to rezone the property to a "C-2". Roll call was taken as follows: Ayes 5: Corsi, Egan, Maule, Moss and Schroeder. Nays 3: Finnigan, Herrmann and Mayor Johnston. Absent 1: Jarstad. Motion carried.

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- (b) This is the date set for hearing for rezoning of the west side of South "M" Street between South 11th and 10th Streets extended from an "R-3" to a "C-1" District. (Submitted by W. Towne Collins and Laurence G. Ortengren.)

Mr. Buehler reviewed the proposed rezone for the Council.
After discussion Dr. Herrmann moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission and rezone the property from an "R-3" to a "C-1" District.
Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Voice vote was taken and motion carried.

PETITIONS

Michael Scannell requesting rezoning of the east side of Ash Street at South 35th Street from an "R-3" to an "R-4" District.

Referred to the City Planning Commission.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 21287

Authorizing the renewal of a 5-year lease with the Tacoma Sportsmen's Club, Inc. for certain Water Division land effective September 1, 1971.

Mr. Finnigan moved to adopt the resolution. Seconded by Mrs. Egan.

Mr. Paul Nolan, Deputy City Attorney, advised the lease is a five-year extension to the existing lease and the amount to be charged has been increased from \$300 to \$750 per annum. The property is being used for the operation of a gunnery and archery range for the Tacoma Sportmen's Club.

The Department is not interested in making a financial gain, but under the present arrangement they would have the opportunity to develop the water resources. The property is in a tax-exempt category under its present usage.

Voice vote was taken on the resolution, resulting as follows:

Ayes 8: Corsi, Egan, Finnigan, Herrmann, Maule, Moss, Schroeder and Mayor Johnston.
Nays 0. Absent 1: Jarstad.
The Resolution was declared passed.

Resolution No. 21288

Authorizing the sale of three parcels of Light Division property.

Mrs. Egan moved to adopt the resolution. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann.

Mr. Nolan advised that these properties had been acquired by the Department for use as substations, but are now surplus to the needs of the Light Division. The purchasers are fully aware of the limitations of the property usage and will be responsible for the removal of any buildings on them.

Voice vote was taken on the resolution, resulting as follows:

Ayes 8: Corsi, Egan, Finnigan, Herrmann, Maule, Moss, Schroeder and Mayor Johnston.
Nays 0. Absent 1: Jarstad.
The Resolution was declared passed.

Resolution No. 21289

Authorizing the execution of an agreement and designating the National Bank of Commerce as the City's cremation agent.

Dr. Herrmann moved to adopt the resolution. Seconded by Mr. Moss.

Mr. Clar Gaisford, Finance Director, explained that the new laws of 1971 state that the City shall designate the fiscal cremation agent and the Bank of Commerce has now been designated.

Voice vote was taken on the resolution, resulting as follows:

Ayes 8: Corsi, Egan, Finnigan, Herrmann, Maule, Moss, Schroeder and Mayor Johnston.
Nays 0. Absent 1: Jarstad.
The Resolution was declared passed.

Resolution No. 21290

Authorizing a permit to Pacific Northwest Bell Telephone Company for the purpose of erecting and maintaining a 75'9" pole within the street right-of-way in an area near South 23rd and South Adams Street.

Mr. Schroeder moved to adopt the resolution. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann.

Mr. Buehler advised that the pole would actually be 55' high, with a 21' antenna on top, and that the Planning Commission had approved a special use permit. The City Attorney, however, felt that the permit also required Council's approval.

Voice vote was taken on the resolution, resulting as follows:

Ayes 8: Corsi, Egan, Finnigan, Herrmann, Maule, Moss, Schroeder and Mayor Johnston.
Nays 0. Absent 1: Jarstad.
The Resolution was declared passed.

Resolution No. 21291

Awarding contract to Freigang Construction Company on its bid of \$108,600.00 on Contract No. UR 11667 in Wash. R-14.

Mr. Corsi moved to adopt the resolution. Seconded by Mr. Moss.

Mr. Gary Sullivan, Director of Urban Renewal, displayed drawings showing various open spaces scheduled for construction in connection with the R-14 Project near the North Parking Garage in the downtown area.

Mr. Claude Pearson, architect, described the planned landscaping.

Mr. Sullivan explained that the project is one in which the City pays 50% and Urban Renewal funds would pay 50%.

Voice vote was taken on the resolution, resulting as follows:

Ayes 8: Corsi, Egan, Finnigan, Herrmann, Maule, Moss, Schroeder and Mayor Johnston.
Nays 0. Absent 1: Jarstad.
The Resolution was declared passed.

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Resolution No. 21292

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute and submit a project prospectus to the State of Washington Highway Department for improvement of Pearl Street from 6th Avenue to North 30th Street.

Dr. Herrmann moved to adopt the resolution. Seconded by Mr. Maule.

Mr. Bob Engle, Public Works Engineer, explained that it is anticipated that the City can obtain 66% in federal aid funds for this project and 34% would be City matching funds. The cost of the landscaping will be included in the total amounts already estimated.

Voice vote was taken on the resolution, resulting as follows:

Ayes 8: Corsi, Egan, Finnigan, Herrmann, Maule, Moss, Schroeder and Mayor Johnston.

Nays 0. Absent 1: Jarstad.

The Resolution was declared passed.

Resolution No. 21293

Fixing Tuesday, August 31, 1971, at 7:00 P.M. as the date for hearing the request for rezoning the South side of South 19th between Jackson Avenue and Mountain View Drive from Pierce County zoning "SR-9" to an "R-3" District. (City Planning Commission)

Mrs. Egan moved to adopt the resolution. Seconded by Mr. Corsi.

Voice vote was taken on the resolution, resulting as follows:

Ayes 8: Corsi, Egan, Finnigan, Herrmann, Maule, Moss, Schroeder and Mayor Johnston.

Nays 0. Absent 1: Jarstad.

The Resolution was declared passed.

Resolution No. 21294

Fixing Monday, September 13, 1971, at 4:00 P.M. as the date for hearing L.I.D. 3725 for sanitary sewers in the vicinity of South 58th and Orchard Streets.

Mrs. Egan moved to adopt the resolution. Seconded by Mr. Corsi.

Voice vote was taken on the resolution, resulting as follows:

Ayes 8: Corsi, Egan, Finnigan, Herrmann, Maule, Moss, Schroeder and Mayor Johnston.

Nays 0. Absent 1: Jarstad.

The Resolution was declared passed.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 19426

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to include the N.E. corner of North 14th and Orchard Streets from an "R-2" to an "R-3" District. (Lloyd A. Anderson)

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Mr. Buehler advised that all the conditions have been met by the petitioner and the matter was ready for final approval.

The ordinance was placed in order for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 19427

Amending Sections 11.04.070 and 11.16.150 of the Official Code relative to special lights on police vehicles.

Police Chief Lyle Smith advised that recent legislation had authorized the use of blue lights for police vehicles. Experiments made determined that the blue actually surpasses the red light especially in inclement weather.

The ordinance was placed in order for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 19428

Authorizing the transfer of \$4,000 from the Personnel Department Trainee Corps budget to the Human Relations Commission budget.

Mr. Gaisford advised that the Human Relations Commission was reinstated in January 1971 with a budget of \$23,000 for salaries and maintenance and operations.

Mr. Ree Hutchins, Human Relations Department Director, advised that it has become evident that the \$23,000 is insufficient and an additional \$4,000 is necessary to continue operations for the balance of the year. It was requested that the funds be obtained by transferring \$4000 from the Personnel Department Trainee Corps budget to the Human Relations Commission.

Human Relations Commission members, Mrs. Kathleen Skrinar, Jack Gamble and Ken Zamberlin, spoke of the necessity of the funds and urged that the ordinance be adopted.

The ordinance was placed in order for final reading next week.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 19411

Amending Chapter 6.15 of the Official Code relative to licenses and taxation.

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

Ayes 8: Corsi, Egan, Finnigan, Herrmann, Maule, Moss, Schroeder and Mayor Johnston.

Nays 0. Absent 1: Jarstad.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 19419

Amending Chapter 1.30 of the Official Code relative to Employee's Retirement System by adding a new section 1.30.662 to coordinate member's retirement allowance with benefits receivable from federal system.

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

Ayes 8: Corsi, Egan, Finnigan, Herrmann, Maule, Moss, Schroeder and Mayor Johnston.

Nays 0. Absent 1: Jarstad.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 19420

Amending Section 6.12.060 of the Official Code relative to qualifications of bondsmen.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes 8: Corsi, Egan, Finnigan, Herrmann, Maule, Moss, Schroeder and Mayor Johnston.
Nays 0. Absent 1: Jarstad.
The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 19421

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to include the South side of 6th Avenue approximately 1,000 feet east of Mildred Street from an "R-2" to a "C-2" District. (Jess E. Miller)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes 8: Corsi, Egan, Finnigan, Herrmann, Maule, Moss, Schroeder and Mayor Johnston.
Nays 0. Absent 1: Jarstad.
The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 19422

Providing for the improvement of L.I.D. 4976 for paving East "G" from Harrison to East 36th Street; Spokane from East 36th to East 37th and other nearby streets.

Mr. Ken Jorgenson, Public Works Department, described the "G" Street area and the Spokane Street area of the L.I.D. and advised that since the date of hearing on the L.I.D. additional remonstrances had been filed against the "G" Street portion bringing the total to 60% against that portion of the L.I.D. The Spokane Street portion had 48% against. The overall remonstrance on the entire L.I.D. is 52%.

Mr. Dell Beardemphl requested that the entire L. I. D. be abandoned.

Mr. Jorgenson advised the Council that since the "G" Street section was not contiguous to the Spokane Street section that the "G" Street area of the L.I.D. could be deleted.

After discussion Dr. Herrmann made a motion to delete East G Street from Harrison Street to East 36th Street. Seconded by Mr. Moss. Voice vote taken and carried.

Roll call vote to adopt the ordinance as amended was taken as follows:

Ayes 8: Corsi, Egan, Finnigan, Herrmann, Maule, Moss, Schroeder and Mayor Johnston.
Nays 0. Absent 1: Jarstad.
The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 19423

Approving and confirming the Assessment Roll for L.I.D. 6907 for street lighting at intersections along Birmingham Street from South 52nd to South 54th and on South 52nd from Birmingham to Puget Sound Avenue.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes 8: Corsi, Egan, Finnigan, Herrmann, Maule, Moss, Schroeder and Mayor Johnston.
Nays 0. Absent 1: Jarstad.
The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Ordinance No. 19424

Approving and confirming the Assessment Roll for L. I. D. 6922 for street lighting at intersections along Agnes Road from Dash Point Water Works Road northeasterly 1400 feet to dead end.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes 8: Corsi, Egan, Finnigan, Herrmann, Maule, Moss, Schroeder and Mayor Johnston.
Nays 0. Absent 1: Jarstad.
The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 19425

Approving and confirming the Assessment Roll for L. I. D. 6926 for street lighting at intersections along 49th Street N. E. from Harbor View Drive to Browns Point Boulevard and other nearby streets.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes 8: Corsi, Egan, Finnigan, Herrmann, Maule, Moss, Schroeder and Mayor Johnston.
Nays 0. Absent 1: Jarstad.
The Ordinance was declared passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Dr. Herrmann moved to excuse Mr. Jarstad from tonight's meeting. Seconded by Mr. Finnigan. Voice vote was taken and motion carried.

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER:

Mr. Donaldson reported that two arrests had been made in connection with the Mecca Theater for showing pornographic films. Several members of the vice squad and a municipal judge had viewed the film and made the determination. Another arrest was made of an owner of a community theater on the same charge. The owners are not residents of the City.

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Mr. Donaldson also stated that he had asked the Legal Department to determine whether or not the City's "in-step" salary increases can be granted during the ninety-day wage and price freeze. The decision was that the salary increases will be "frozen" until the federal government changes the policy ruling.

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COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL:

Mayor Johnston commented that Congress has recently initiated a manpower program to alleviate unemployment in depressed areas and the City will have \$1,760,700 available for salaries in the next 18 months. Out of this amount there is \$251,000 available for immediate use. The funds may be used in all areas of the City government. Hiring will be done by the City, School District, Port of Tacoma and the Park District. Referrals will be made by the State Unemployment Department. Veterans will be given first preference.

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Mr. Donaldson requested that he be authorized to execute an agreement on behalf of the City for the federal funds so that there would be no delay in the hiring. The goal is to get employable persons back into the economy as fast as the economy can absorb them.

Mayor Johnston moved to have the City Manager draw up the agreement. Seconded by Mrs. Egan. Voice vote carried.

Mr. VanCamp, Civil Service League, commented that he does endorse the program, but hopes it will not make "inroads" into the Civil Service System.

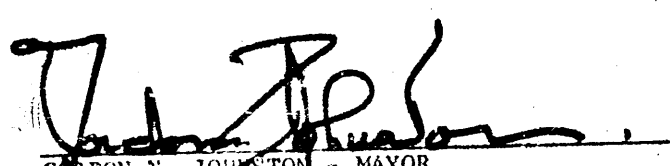
Mr. Maule moved that the Council authorize the City Manager to write a letter to Mr. Wallerich concerning work on the Old City Hall Annex and that Mr. Wallerich be required to post a performance bond relative to the work. Motion seconded by Mayor Johnston. Voice vote was taken and motion carried. 41

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF CITY CLERK:

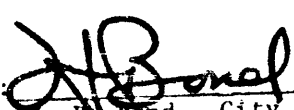
- a. Minutes of Civil Service Board meeting of July 7th, 1971.
- b. Minutes of Board of Park Commissioners meeting of July 26th, 1971.
- c. Minutes of Public Utility Board meeting of July 28th, 1971.
- d. Municipal Court of Tacoma, Traffic Violations and Court Cases report for July, 1971.
- e. Citizens' Information and Service Bureau report, July, 1971.
- f. Light Division, Water Division and Belt Line Division, Monthly Financial Report, June 30, 1971.
- g. Model Cities First Year Action Program reprogram package Part I, August, 1971.

Placed on file.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 11:10 P. M.



 GORDON N. JOHNSTON - MAYOR

Attest: 

 H. B. Bond - City Clerk