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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
February 29, 1972

Deputy Mayor Jarstad called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Present on roll call - 7: Egan, Herrmann, Moss, Nalley, Schroeder, Sonntag and Deputy Mayor Jarstad. Absent - 2: Maule and Mayor Johnston.

The Flag Salute was led by Councilman Herrmann.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the meeting of February 15, 1972, as submitted.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 21537

Appointing Deputy Mayor Jarstad to the Combined Planning Committee composed of the Port of Tacoma, County of Pierce, and City of Tacoma representatives.

Resolution No. 21538

Appointing Gilbert M. Schuster, Director of Public Works, as Ex Officio member; Edward J. Hill, George Martin, Julius S. Shouse, Jr., and Wesley W. Owen to 1, 2, 3, and 4-year terms as members of the Board of Review (Sewer Utility.)

APPEALS:

Bill Burke appealing the Planning Commission's decision to approve the request of the Parkside Church, Inc. for a special use permit for the N.E. corner of South 43rd and Junett Streets.

The last day to file an appeal was Feb. 22, 1972 and an appeal was filed. Suggested date for hearing is Tuesday, March 28, 1972 at 7:00 P.M.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting of January 18, 1972.
- b. Minutes of Public Utility Board meeting of Feb. 9, 1972.
- c. Minutes of Park Board Commissioners, February 14, 1972.
- d. Humane Society Monthly Report for January, 1972.
- e. Tacoma Police Dept. Monthly Report for January, 1972.
- f. Quarterly Report No. 14, Community Improvement Program, Planning Dept., December, 1971.
- g. Program Status Report No. 13, Planning Dept.

Mr. Schroeder moved to approve all of the items listed in the CONSENT AGENDA, including Resolutions No. 21537 and 21538. Seconded by Mrs. Egan. Voice vote taken and carried. The items were declared approved.

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REGULAR AGENDA

PRESENTATION:

Deputy Mayor Jarstad and City Manager William Donaldson presented 25, 30 and 35 year Service Awards to 59 General Government employees.

COMMUNICATIONS:

a. Planning Department filing final proposed guidelines, Shoreline Management Act of 1971.

b. Shoreline Management Permit Application - City of Tacoma Public Works Dept.

Placed on file.

PROCLAMATION:

Deputy Mayor Jarstad proclaimed the week of March 6 through 11th as "National Housing for the Handicapped Week" in the city of Tacoma.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

a. This is the date set for hearing the request for rezoning of the area between "I" and "J" Streets from So. 16th St. to the south line of So. 17th St. from an "R-3" and "R-4" to a "C-3" District. (1-17-72 Planning Commission recommended approval 6-0, 3 absent.) (Westrade, Inc.)

Mr. Buehler, Planning Dept. Director, advised that the rezone and street vacation request would be discussed together. He described the area.

Mr. Harry Berry of Seifert, Forbes and Berry advised that these requests are for St. Joseph's Hospital building and expansion. The construction will be comprised of Phase I - the hospital which is under construction and Phase II - the clinic. The vacation of a block of 17th Street will be used to accommodate this. Parking will be on the property.

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

b. This is the date set for hearing the request for the vacation of the alley between So. "I" and So. "J" from So. 16th to So. 17th and So. 17th Street between the west line of "I" and the east line of "J" street. (1-17-72 Planning Commission recommended approval 6-0, 3 absent.) (Westrade, Inc.)

Discussion was held under the request for rezone. Mr. Schroeder moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Seconded by Mrs. Egan. Voice vote was taken and carried.

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FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 19528

Authorizing the execution of a grant award contract No. 472 with the State of Washington Planning and Community Affairs Agency, Law and Justice Planning Office in an amount not to exceed \$10,242.00 for improving crime laboratory services and establishing a new fund to be designated as "Law and Justice Fund No. 472."

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes - 7: Egan, Herrmann, Moss, Nalley, Schroeder, Sonntag and Deputy Mayor Jarstad.

Nays - 0. Absent - 2: Maule and Mayor Johnston.
The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 19529

Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L.I.D. 4916 for paving on Prospect Street from So. 74th to So. 76th St.; and South "I" from So. 88th to So. 90th Street.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes - 7: Egan, Herrmann, Moss, Nalley, Schroeder, Sonntag and Deputy Mayor Jarstad.

Nays - 0. Absent - 2: Maule and Mayor Johnston.
The Ordinance was declared passed.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 19530

Authorizing condemnation of certain properties to be used for the construction of the Bayside Drive.

Mr. G. M. Schuster, Director of Public Works, advised that this ordinance is for condemnation of properties necessary for the construction of the Bayside Drive and described the areas of the properties.

Mrs. Nancy Kroening, 2919 No. Alder, asked Council to reconsider the idea of construction of the Bayside Drive.

Mr. William Buell, 32 California, spoke against the ordinance.

It was felt by several Councilmen that before proceeding with the Bayside Drive as proposed, that a decision be made as to whether the Drive is to serve a Port facility, a recreation-oriented facility or merely serve as a road by disregarding future possibilities of the area; further, that no decisions have yet been made on the Tacoma Spur design nor definite plans been made regarding the route to be taken near the old City Hall. Other Councilmen felt this ordinance did not concern itself with these subjects but merely authorized the condemning of certain properties in order to proceed with a Bayside Drive which had previously been authorized by Council by Resolution.

After further discussion the ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 21529 (Continued from the meeting of February 22nd)

Declaring January 25th and 26th, 1972, as holidays pursuant to Section 1.12.200 of the Official Code of the City of Tacoma.

Mr. Sonntag moved to remove this resolution from the agenda. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann.

Voice vote: Ayes - 7. Nays - 0. Absent - 2.
The Resolution was removed from the Agenda.

Mr. Sonntag explained that he had requested the above action because of an opinion by the Legal Department that it would be illegal to grant these holidays. He, therefore asked the City Manager to bring before the Council an amendment to the Compensation Plan which would grant additional days vacation to be used during calendar year 1972.

Resolution No. 21536 (Second reading.)

Amending Rule 8 of the Rules for the Government of the City Council relative to suspension of rules.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes - 3: Egan, Moss and Schroeder.
Nays - 4: Herrmann, Jarstad, Nalley and Sonntag.
Absent - 2: Maule and Mayor Johnston.
The Resolution was declared failed.

Resolution No. 21539

Authorizing the execution of an amendment to right of way agreements with El Paso Natural Gas Co. to provide an additional right of way in the vicinities of West of McMillin Reservoir and Nisqually transmission line right of way.

Mr. Baarslag, Superintendent of Water Division, Dept. of Public Utilities, explained the agreements to Council.

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

Voice vote: Ayes - 7. Nays - 0. Absent - 2.
The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 21540

Declaring the Carnegie Building of the main Tacoma Public Library as an historical building.

Mr. Fred Crisman, Library Board member, advised Council that Tacoma's old main Library building is one of the original Carnegie buildings built in 1902. There are only twelve still in existence. Federal funds can be obtained for a feasibility study on preservation of the building. In order to do this the Council must declare the building to be a historical building.

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Question was raised as to whether the Civic Arts Commission had been contacted regarding this. It was determined that they had not been contacted.

Mrs. Egan moved to continue the Resolution for three weeks, until March 21st, in order that the Civic Arts Commission could review the matter. Seconded by Mr. Jarstad. Roll call vote was taken as follows:

Ayes - 4: Egan, Herrmann, Jarstad and Schroeder.

Nays - 3: Moss, Nalley and Sonntag. Absent 2: Maule and Mayor Johnston.

The Resolution was continued until March 21st.

Resolution No. 21541

Authorizing a temporary loan from the General Fund to the Law and Justice Fund No. 472 in the sum of \$10,242.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purpose of implementing the project under Grant Agreement No. 472.

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

Voice Vote: Ayes - 7. Nays - 0. Absent - 2.
The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 21542

Authorizing the execution of an application to the Washington Traffic Safety Commission for federal funds for the purpose of further development of the SAFETAR Computer System in the Police Dept.

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

Voice vote: Ayes - 7. Nays - 0. Absent - 2.
The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 21543

Authorizing the execution of an application to the Washington Traffic Safety Commission for funds in the amount of \$4,082.77 for the purpose of purchasing certain updated equipment in the Police Department.

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

Voice vote: Ayes - 7. Nays - 0. Absent - 2.
The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 21544

Authorizing an extension to July 1, 1972 for submission of final plans and specifications for construction of improvements on Parcel 18, Wash. R-14, under Agreement of Sale between the City of Tacoma and United Mutual Savings Bank.

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

Voice vote: Ayes - 7. Nays - 0. Absent - 2.
The Resolution was declared adopted.

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Resolution No. 21545

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with Seifert, Forbes & Berry for design and preparation of plans and specifications for certain open space and pedestrian ways in the Fawcett Urban Renewal Area Project Wash. R-3 and waiving the requirement for competitive bidding.

Mr. Gary Sullivan, Urban Renewal Dept. Director, described the agreements and services to be provided by the architect.

Mr. Ted Amell, 422 Tacoma Avenue South, spoke in favor of the resolution.

Mr. Donaldson, City Manager, suggested that the Charter Review Committee, in conjunction with the Public Works Dept., make a study of the problems of all the small park areas.

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

Voice vote: Ayes - 7. Nays - 0. Absent - 2.
The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 21546

Authorizing the filing of an amendatory application for loan and grant for Project No. Wash. R-14 by and between the City of Tacoma and the United States of America.

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

Voice Vote: Ayes - 7. Nays - 0. Absent - 2.
The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 21547

Authorizing the execution of agreements with the Metropolitan Development Council and the Tacoma Young Men's Christian Assn. for the purpose of administering the Communication and Journalism and Culture and Recreation projects of the Model Cities Program, and waiving the requirements for competitive bidding.

Mr. Frank Russell, Model Cities Dept. Director, advised that this is part of the reprogram package and asked that the contracts be executed granting approval for the two agencies to administer the projects.

Mr. John Sloan, representing the Y.M.C.A., spoke in favor of the resolution.

Mr. Ted Amell and Mr. Charles Canada also spoke in favor of the resolution.

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

Voice Vote: Ayes - 6. Nays - 1.(Nalley) Absent - 2.
The Resolution was declared adopted.

Dr. Herrmann moved to suspend the Rules in order to introduce Resolution 21548.
Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote carried.

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Resolution No. 21548

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to submit to the Urban Arterial Board a project prospectus for Project No. 8-1-128(44) McKinley Ave. from approximately 262 feet north of East 36th St. to East 72nd Street.

There was discussion as to whether there were any matching funds available. It was determined that this could be taken care of by the shifting of funds of other projects under consideration.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag.

Voice vote: Ayes - 6. Nays - 1 Schroeder. Absent - 2.
The Resolution was declared adopted.

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REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER:

Mr. Donaldson read a communication from Lewis C. Hatfield, Chairman of the Civil Service Board, relative to the position of Minority Employment Specialist-Civil Service Coordinator which is presently vacant and which appointment is subject to approval by the Board and the City Council. Twelve individuals were considered, six of them were interviewed and as a result of the screening process, Charles I. Kennedy has been recommended for the position. Mr. Donaldson outlined Mr. Kennedy's work experience and recommended that Council concur with the Board's recommendation that Mr. Kennedy be appointed and that the residence requirement be waived.

Mr. Moss moved to concur in the recommendation that Charles I. Kennedy be appointed to the position of Minority Employment Specialist-Civil Service Coordinator and that the City residence requirement be waived. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote carried.

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COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL:

Mrs. Egan moved to excuse Mr. Maule from this evening's Council meeting. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Voice vote carried.

Councilmen Moss, Herrman and Sonntag asked to be excused from next week's meeting in order to attend the National League of Cities, Conference of Mayors in Washington, D.C. Mrs. Egan moved that they be excused. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Voice vote carried.

Councilmen Jarstad, Egan and Schroeder also asked to be excused from next week's meeting. Dr. Herrmann moved that they be excused. Seconded by Mr. Moss. Voice vote carried.

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Dr. Herrmann recommended that Resolution No. 21039 be rescinded. It pertains to holding four Council meetings a year in the outlying community areas, and according to City Clerk H.B. Bond, the number of citizens who attended these four meetings in the last year was far from meaningful to support the high costs of holding them in the communities.

Mr. Nalley moved to suspend the rules in order to consider rescinding Resolution No. 21039. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote carried.

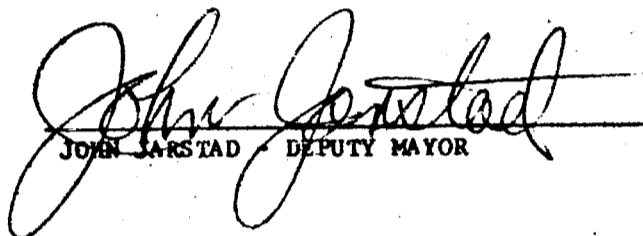
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Mrs. Egan pointed out that Mayor Johnston had been the one to advocate holding the meetings in the community areas, and she did not feel that a motion to rescind the resolution should be taken in his absence.

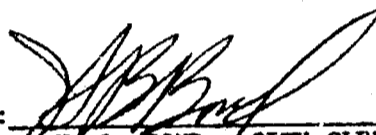
Mrs. Egan then moved to amend Resolution No. 21039 by eliminating the March neighborhood meeting from the resolution. Seconded by Mr. Nalley. Voice vote taken and carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Schroeder moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. The meeting adjourned at 9:55 P.M.


JOHN JARSTAD DEPUTY MAYOR

ATTEST:


H. B. BOND CITY CLERK