

Council Chambers, 4:00 P.M.  
Tuesday, October 14, 1958

Council met in regular session. Present on roll call 6; Mayor Hanson, Easterday, Humiston, Porter, Price and Anderson. Absent 3; Bratrud, Goering and Perdue. Mr. Perdue taking his seat at 4:05 P.M.; Mrs. Goering at 4:15 P.M. and Mr. Bratrud at 4:20 P.M.

It was moved by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Easterday that the minutes of the meeting held October 6, 1958 be approved as submitted. Roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Goering and Bratrud.

Mr. Rowlands explained at this time he would like to present suggestion awards to three employees of the City. He said there were seven or eight more that have been reviewed by the Board and said it is gratifying to know that the employees are thinking in terms of how further economies can be made and how man-power can be served.

Mr. Rowlands then presented an award to Agnes Breivik of the Finance Department for \$36.00 for suggesting a cut-off date for the payment of vouchers. By doing this, he said, it will simplify the compilations for the invoice report that must be out by the tenth of the month.

The second award was presented to Mr. Clarence Crotteau of the Public Works Department, who suggested an attachment for the panel trucks so that a motorcycle can be attached for delivery of repaired equipment; whereas now, two men must make the deliveries of the equipment - one to drive the repaired equipment and one to pick up the person making the delivery. Mr. Crotteau received a \$15.00 award for the suggestion.

The third award was made to Mr. William Lake, former Foreman at the Municipal Shops. Mr. Lake, who retired August 31st, received a \$25.00 award for suggesting that all Manufacturers be required to furnish specifications for parts and equipment furnished the City. It was explained that much of the equipment used by the City is from ten to fifteen years old, and many of the parts lists used in ordering have been lost. Thus, much exchanging of order parts is necessary. By the Manufacturer submitting specifications, it will be known whether or not the part will be correct.

Mayor Hanson congratulated the recipients of the awards and said that these awards mean much more to the City than is represented by the checks, and he thanked them for their fine contributions to the City.

At this time, Dr. Humiston and Mr. Porter were excused to attend an L I D meeting held in Room 100.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 15509:

By Porter:

Authorizing execution of an Agreement between the City of Tacoma and

and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen on the Belt Line Division, Department of Public Utilities.

It was moved by Mr. Anderson to adopt, seconded by Mr. Easterday.

Mr. Barline, Director of Utilities advised that since 1949 they have had an agreement with the employees of the Belt Line, and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen. He explained that it was now at the point where there were a number of differences in interpretation which made hard feelings and ill will on the part of the employees, which made it difficult to operate under this agreement. He said that they received a request from the "International Brotherhood" in accordance with the Railway Labor Act, for a meeting to revise the contract. A number of meetings were held with the Legal Department, Personnel Department and Belt Line, and this agreement is a result of this meeting. He asked Mr. Burks, Superintendent of the Belt Line to explain the details of this agreement.

Mr. Burks explained that there were not too many changes over the former contract. The agreement this time is of much more bulk, inasmuch as they incorporated portions of the City Personnel Rules at the request of the Union. The pay increase was actually agreed to, three years ago, in a package deal. It was agreed nationally for an eight and three-fourths an hour increase for Engineers and seven cents an hour for Firemen.

He said the only real change in the agreement is a guarantee to the "Extra Board" as the City has never guaranteed the extra men who fill temporary vacancies. The Contract now requires that the City guarantee the men on the "Extra Board" twenty-two days work per month. This is quite a burden to the Belt Line, but it is the practice of all the major Railroads in the country, he said. We were very fortunate whereby we would guarantee one extra man eighteen days per month as long as we have three or more locomotives.

Other changes entailed grievance and time claim agreement which is in line with both the Railway Labor Act and the City Personnel Rules.

It was moved by Mr. Anderson to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Mr.

Easterday.

Adopted on Roll call October 14, 1958

Ayes 5; Nays 0; Absent 4, Bratrud, Goering, Humiston, Porter

Resolution No. 15510:

By Bratrud:

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute an agreement with the Pipeline Telephone Company of Buckley, Washington, the right to use jointly with the City certain telephone poles on the Pipeline County Road.

Moved by Mr. Easterday to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Perdue.

Mr. Barline, Director of Utilities, explained that this is a continuation of an agreement that has been in existence for some time whereby the Telephone Company is going to use some of the poles on which we have no contracts. The rate for contracts has been increased to \$1.11 per pole. This is not a large agreement inasmuch as this contract only amounts to \$94.00 per year, he said.

It was moved by Mr. Easterday to adopt the Resolution, seconded by

Mr. Perdue.

Adopted on Roll call October 14, 1958

Ayes 5; Nays-0; Absent 4, Bratrud, Goering, Humiston, Porter.

Resolution No. 15511:

Mrs. Goering coming in at this time.

By Humiston:

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute an agreement with the Anacortes Veneer Company, Inc., for the purpose of constructing logging roads on City property, and hauling men, logs and equipment on existing City roads, and equipment across Alder Dam.

It was moved by Mr. Anderson to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Mrs. Price.

Mr. Barline explained this will allow the company to use certain City roads in the vicinity of the La Grande Reservoir and near Alder Dam, so that they may log some property which lies on the far side of La Grande Reservoir from the State Highway. In most respects, the contract is identical to one we now have with the Chambers Creek Logging Company being that there is a provision in this agreement to allow them to do some booming in the reservoir, as the piece of property is directly along side the reservoir and the Chambers Creek Company is some distance away. He said they will have to use the Chamber Creek Logging road. They have previously entered into an agreement with them, so they have the approval of the Company that they must pay twenty-five cents a thousand for all logs hauled.

Mr. Anderson asked Mr. Barline approximately how much will be hauled over these roads, etc.

Mr. Barline explained that there is a minimum payment of \$600.00 and he understands that it will not run much over that each year. He also explained that they will have a Liability Policy in the amount of \$100,000 to protect the City from any claim by a third party.

It was moved by Mr. Anderson to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Mrs. Price.

Adopted on roll call October 14, 1958  
Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 3, Bratrud, Humiston, Porter

Resolution No. 15512:

By Goering:

Awarding contract to Irving L. Larson in the amount of \$625 for property located in the Brookdale area and East of McChord Field known as part of the City Plume Line Right-of-Way and awarding contract to Andrew Schneider in the amount of \$11 for property located at the S.E. corner of East G and Bismark Streets.

It was moved by Mr. Anderson to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Mrs. Mastertday.

Mr. Bratrud coming in at this time.

Mr. Barline explained that four parcels of land are involved in this transaction. He said after they had been advertised, they received a "Hold" order from the County inasmuch as they were contemplating the use of this property for road purposes, and the Board recommended that the determination on this parcel be postponed until after a discussion on this land can be held with the County. He said that the bid received on Parcel 2 was higher than the estimated cost, and they recommend acceptance of this bid. Parcel 3 was appraised at \$1,000. The two bids

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received were, one for \$800 and one for \$380. This is a good residential building property and the Board recommend the bids be rejected and the property be re-advertised at a later date. He said the bid for Parcel 4 should be accepted inasmuch as the bids were higher than the appraisal value.

It was moved by Mr. Anderson to adopte the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Easterday.

Adopted on roll call October 14, 1958  
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Humiston and Porter

Resolution No. 15513:

By Easterday:

Awarding contract to Lige Dickson Company on their bid of \$8,582.20 for grading, ballasting, surfacing and storm drainage for L I D No. 2285.

It was moved by Mr. Perdue to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Easterday.

Mr. Rowlands explained the bid received is lower than the Engineers estimate and felt it was an attractive bid.

It was moved by Mr. Perdue to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Easterday.

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Resolution No. 15514:

By Bratrud:

Requesting the Association of Washington Cities to actively sponsor and support Minimum Housing Code enabling legislation at the next session of the Legislature.

It was moved by Mrs. Price to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Anderson.

Mr. Rowlands said that Mrs. Price, Mr. Porter and himself attended the Legislative Council Interim Committee meeting last Saturday. This particular item was on the agenda. This was the same bill that was introduced last time, but did not have time to clear through Legislative channels. The bill will be very helpful to our Urban Renewal and Housing Program. He said we now have the Minimum Housing Code, or it sometimes is called the "Safe Housing Code" which was passed by Council last year. However, he said the Court decision on that bill might not come up until next February. There are some features of this legislation which will go beyond this and be of more help than the present Ordinance. There are several points of this bill which will probably have to be cleared up by Legislature. He said they had checked with the Staff and Attorneys. One feature, in the proposal, would make it possible, if the City directed a property owner to demolish a building or to rehabilitate; to spread the costs over a ten year period similar to our L I D's. Representatives from several cities in the area met recently and they felt this feature would preclude some objections which might arise.

Mr. Rowlands said the only question was that if the sum exceeds \$25.00 that the amount might be raised to perhaps \$100 or \$1,000. He said if it is not too large an amount, the person should be able to pay it off at one time, thus saving on bookkeeping costs. The Planning Staff, he said, feels this will be very helpful. By taking this action, we can give support to Legislative Council and the Association of Washington Cities said this has already been adopted by Seattle.

It was moved by Mrs. Price to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Mr.

Anderson.

Adopted on roll call October 14, 1958  
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Humiston and Porter

Resolution No. 15515

L I D 5256

By Perdue:

Fixing Tuesday, December 9, 1958 at 4:00 P.M. as the date for hearing on the Assessment Roll for L I D 5256 - cast iron watermains in East 50th Street from East B St. to approximately 720' East, and in East B St. from East 50th to 52nd Street.

Moved by Mr. Anderson to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Bratrud.

Mr. Perdue asked, what did the Courts hold in this regard?

Mr. Barline advised that there were two corner pieces of property which abutted on the streets where the new mains were put in. In the corner of the cross-street, there was a transite main which is a sub-standard main that had been put in during the war by a contractor as part of the Tanglewood District. No assessments had been charged against these property owners as it went beyond their property to serve the area beyond. This L I D went through because of the fact there was to be a hydrant to be put on the corner which the City felt would benefit the people, and also that they would have a cast iron main directly in front of their property. The Superior Court held that since this property had access to water mains from the transite line along the side street, although they had never paid an assessment for it, they received no benefit from the new mains, and the assessments were struck from the roll.

Mr. Perdue asked what this held for the future. Suppose they had a one inch line which is sub-standard, would this ruling hold in this case, also?

Mr. Barline said he did not believe it would hold in this case. The City does not have any one-inch line. They would only be used as a stringer line which the property owner would have to maintain. He explained that the cost of the two assessments which were stricken from the roll, amounts to approximately \$840.00 and this amount will be re-assessed against all the property owners in the district and would amount to approximately \$20.00 each. Mr. Barline also stated that the Court costs, and costs for re-assessing the property has been paid out of current funds of the Water Division and will not be charged against the assessment roll and property owners.

It was moved by Mr. Anderson to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Bratrud.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:Ordinance No. 16193

An Ordinance amending Section 1.30.610 of the Official Code relating to Pensions - Election to receive cash settlement on retirement.

Mr. Rowlands advised that this gives the employee the option of taking the cash settlement or he may elect to take his monthly payments. If the pension payments are less than \$25.00 per month, he can exercise his option to take the cash lump-sum payment. This change was recommended by the Retirement Board, he added. The ordinance was then placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 16194

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 16182 which amends Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code by correcting a description regarding property located at 94th and Pacific Avenue.

Mr. Rowlands advised this was merely a technical change. An error was made inasmuch as three or four words were omitted, and this simply clears it up. The ordinance was then placed in order of final reading.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Rowlands advised that probably in the next two weeks a complete report will be ready for Council on the Fire Station consolidation. He said the appraisal has been obtained and will probably wait to see what happens to the property at 25th and Alder, and then the report will be given to Council pointing out the four possibilities regarding the Fire Station.

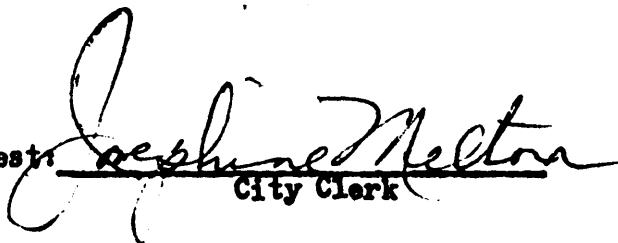
Mr. Easterday asked when a report could be expected from Thomas and Harstad.

Mr. Rowlands advised that they have made some additional changes in their report and would be ready to be discussed by Council by approximately October 29th, Wednesday. He said they would like about an hour and one-half session to discuss this matter instead of discussing it before the meeting in their regular study session.

There being no further business or comments from the audience, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 P.M.

  
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Mayor

Attest:

  
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City Clerk