

Council Chambers, 4:00 P.M.
Monday, January 11, 1960

Council met in regular session. Present on roll call 7: Bratrud, Easterday, Goering, Humiston, Perdue, Price and Mayor Hanson. Absent 2, Anderson and Porter. Mr. Porter coming in at 4:10 P.M. Mr. Anderson coming in at 5:20 P.M.

Dr. Humiston moved that the minutes of the meeting of January 4, 1960 be approved as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Easterday. Voice vote on the motion resulted as follows: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Anderson and Porter.

Mr. Porter coming in at this time.

HEARINGS AND APPEALS:

This is the date for hearing on the construction and reconstruction of sidewalks in various parts of the City as set forth in Resolution No. 15956.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, said there are 468 property owners involved in this particular sidewalk program. The overall program involves an expenditure of \$68,700, \$16,400 of which will be the City's share in the program. Under the present plan, bids are expected to be called for on this project by the Public Works Dept. some time in February.

Mr. Myron Calkins, City Engineer, said the department has had a good number of calls on this project and approximately 90% of the phone calls have been to clarify as to what the project involves, etc. The remainder of the calls have been in protest.

Mayor Hanson announced that this hearing is held so that any comments or objections may be presented at this time. He asked if those people objecting would be contacted before any final action is taken.

Mr. Rowlands said they would be. If the Council recalls at the last sidewalk construction hearing, several objections were made and after the hearing, the sidewalk inspector then contacted these people. Most of the difficulties were resolved before any work began.

Mayor Hanson then asked if anyone from the audience wished to speak.

A number of property owners involved, voiced their particular complaints. Others indicated they desired more information on the project.

One of the complaints was that there were no markings on the sidewalks showing what section was to be removed.

Mr. Calkins explained that the usual procedure was to mark the walks, but due to the illness of the engineer who performs this work, the markings have not yet been made; and added this would be accomplished very shortly.

Mayor Hanson said it was an unfortunate situation that the sidewalks were not marked indicating what portion was to be removed or repaired, but, hereafter the notices will not go out until the sidewalks are painted and marked. He said a representative of the Public Works Dept. will contact all of the people who have complained and left their name with the City Clerk.

Some objections were raised that some of the construction on the walks that the property owners were being assessed for was unnecessary, as the walks were in good condition.

Mr. Calkins explained the City is liable jointly with property owners for the condition of the sidewalk area. It is the City's plan to replace only the portions which need replacing, are dangerous and insufficient to meet the grade of the adjoining sidewalk. He explained that perhaps in some cases they have overestimated how much of the sidewalk is to be replaced. In many instances the cost

may be less than is anticipated. According to State Law, the City has the authority to assess the property owner for the full cost of the improvement but because of the City's participation, which has been set up by the Council, the City is participating to the extent of 25% of the cost.

Mayor Hanson said he could assure the property owners that it was not the City's intent to tear up good sidewalks and replace them with new ones. However, care must be taken as even a small ledge could cause someone to trip and break an arm. The City would then be liable for damages.

A total of 45 names of property owners who wished to be contacted by the City Engineer, were submitted to the City Clerk.

Mayor Hanson asked that Ordinance No. 16489 pertaining to Flett Creek be taken up at this time.

Dr. Humiston moved that the rules be suspended in order to take up Ordinance No. 16489. Seconded by Mr. Easterday. Voice vote was taken on the motion, resulting as follows: Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Anderson.

Ordinance No. 16489:

Authorizing the condemnation of property in the area of Flett Creek for storm drains, storm drainage ditches and related facilities. Read by title..

Mayor Hanson said when this Ordinance was first heard, the Council requested the Staff to consider the various alternatives for the improvement of the Flett Creek drainage.

Mr. Rowlands explained that the Staff has held several meetings in an attempt to come up with some alternatives to be presented to the Council today. He distributed two data sheets, one entitled "The Flett Creek Channel Changes", indicated the number of owners involved. The other sheet explained four different plans.

Mr. Calkins, City Engineer, outlined the four plans on the map and indicated the cost of each.

He pointed out that this drainage area, which lies within the City Limits of Tacoma, is tributary to Flett Creek. Drainage through this area is through a series of swamps and open channels from the Snake Lake area, thence down by the Utility Building on So. 37th and Union and into the So. Tacoma Swamp area, past the Airport, the proposed new High School and eventually into Flett Creek. At 74th Street, Flett Creek changes from a swampy condition to more or less of a Creek and from that point Flett Creek takes a meandering channel until it joins Chambers Creek.

The improvement of this drainage basin was set up in the 1958 Bond Issue. Improvements in this area consist of the Arlington Storm Drain which has been completed and paid for by the Bond fund. The Arlington Improvement at the present time goes under the railroad track and empties into Flett Creek. The four plans submitted for this proposed improvement of Flett Creek Drainage are:

Plan #1 - Pipe construction from 74th and Adams Streets to Flett Creek, using 74th and 75th Streets. 144" pipe @ 0.13% and the Estimated cost is \$1,650,000.00.

Plan #2 - Deepen Flett Creek from 8 to 10 feet from 74th and Adams to a point approximately 500 feet north of Manitou Custer Road - Approximate cost exclusive of R/W - \$325,000.00

Plan #3 - Moderate deepening of Flett Creek from 3 to 5 feet from So. 74th and Adams to a point approximately 300 feet north of Manitou Custer

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Road - Approximate cost exclusive of R/W - \$200,000.00.

Plan #4 - Allow Flett Creek to remain in its present condition and construct necessary drains in other South Tacoma areas.

Mr. Rowlands said the other data sheet submitted for the Council's information pertains to Plans Number 2 and 3, on the approximate depth and width on each parcel of land concerned.

Mr. Calkins said there are 22 parcels of land indicated on the sheet mentioned by Mr. Rowlands. Opposite each, there is the information on the depth and width of the channel for both Plan #2 and Plan #3. In general, the depth is about half for Plan #3 with the widths about the same.

Mr. Calkins advised, by adopting Plan #4 the South Tacoma swamp and the surrounding areas could not be drained and the situation by the South Tacoma High School site would remain the same. Some concern has been expressed by the School Board of the possible flooding of the school's playfield area. This would not actually occur as the drainage now goes down the creek before it rises to an elevation to flood the area in question.

Mr. Bratrud asked, why has this subject come up at this time?

Mr. Calkins said this is a portion of the overall improvement of this drain basin. The priority of when this channel should be improved for better carrying capacity and draining of the swamp area is a question of when this should be done.

Mr. Bratrud asked if there were any immediate reason for making any changes in Flett Creek.

Mr. Calkins replied the only reason is that the School Board is concerned over the open channel by the site of the new High School.

Mr. Bratrud said this land was purchased for the School at a comparatively low price and he felt it was unfair for the School Board to request the City to do this.

Mr. Calkins said if the money is not used for the Flett Creek Channel, it could be used for another storm trunk which would be needed to serve the remaining portion of the Arlington area.

Mrs. Goering asked if that would also empty water into Flett Creek.

Mr. Calkins replied that any improvement in this entire drainage area would tend to increase the creek flow just as any improvement in the county tends to increase the flow.

Mr. Bratrud said that is a problem the people living along the Creek have to expect. When a community develops, the water goes into the natural drainage area. He said this problem of Flett Creek was discussed at the Study Session prior to the Council meeting, and all the members present thought that these plans cost money which the City doesn't have, and the only feasible plan is #4 which leaves Flett Creek as it is.

Mr. Bratrud said he thought this was a beautiful creek, and it would be a shame to change it in any way. As far as he could see the only action was to adopt Plan #4 which would allow Flett Creek to remain in its present condition.

Mayor Hanson said the objectives of this Ordinance were very admirable making possible the development of a large area within the City limits, but the question is what other rights are sacrificed in doing this. Therefore, he agrees with Mr. Bratrud that there is no point in destroying property rights outside the City.

Dr. Humiston asked, in future years when growth and development in these areas outlined on the map within the City limits, causes more water to be diverted into Flett Creek, will the City be liable if the Creek floods and causes damage to property along the Creek?

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney said, ordinarily storm waters are called "wild waters." The only time the City might possibly be liable in this case is in the event it could be established by definite proof that the City overtaxed by a funneling and gathering up of this water into one particular sewer and dumped it into the creek to overtax the bank of normal water course. This would be extremely hard to prove, he added.

Mrs. Goering said it seemed to her, even from the City's standpoint that an open ditch would not be a very permanent solution to this problem.

Mayor Hanson said this is an instance where in the long run, because of the valuable property affected, the \$1,650,000 solution is the best one; but the financial aspect would certainly have to be given some consideration if the City were to proceed in fully developing the area.

Mr. Rowlands said it should be pointed out that the principal objector is the School Board, but as it has been mentioned, the South Tacoma High School itself is above the level of the present channel, as is the playfield area. Therefore, there should not be a great deal of trouble. It might not be as attractive, but it should not interfere basically with the program of the school.

Mr. Bratrud said it is better to have the unsightly area in one small condensed area than to have the entire creek unsightly.

Mayor Hanson asked that a letter from the Pierce County Commissioners be read at this time. The letter in part stated they objected to the proposed project by the City of deepening and enlarging Flett Creek on the grounds that insufficient information had been furnished as to the engineering features of the contemplated constructions and until further information is given, they must go on record as opposing the project.

Mr. Rowlands said it should be explained that the City Engineering Staff did contact the County Engineering Department some six or eight months ago and went over the problem with them, as it would affect bridges, etc. Evidently the information was not passed on to the Commissioners, he added.

Dr. Humiston said he was a little disturbed because the problem of the alternatives had not been discussed with the Council before the Ordinance authorizing the project was brought before the Council. He said it amounted to a policy decision by the City's management, which is not supposed to make policy decisions.

Mayor Hanson said this is part of the overall improvement program that was embarked upon some time ago and the Staff was asked to find a feasible method of accomplishing the improvement in this area. This is one feasible method within the amount of money available. It is true the Council might have had a preliminary discussion before it was actually put in Ordinance form, but the important thing is that the alternatives were put together for the Council's consideration.

Mr. Bratrud then moved that Ordinance No. 16489 be tabled. Seconded by Mr. Porter. Motion carried on voice vote. Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Anderson.

Mr. Ray Fredericks of 6503 Flannigan Road, said 2 years ago basically the same problem arose over Leach Creek as to what to do with the storm drainage. At that time there was mention of a moral obligation to the residents. They were promised at that time a "holding basin" that would help to regulate the amount of water. He said he was interested in what has been done in regard to this.

Mr. Rowlands said the Council did authorize this by Ordinance in order to proceed with the condemnation of property, if necessary, to get this holding basin acquired. He said he believed Mr. Calkins and the Attorney's office have been proceeding along these lines.

Mr. Calkins said the property has all been outlined and the condemnation proceedings will be set for the latter part of February.

Mayor Hanson said the date of the completion of the project will then be dependent upon the outcome of the condemnation process. If it is appealed, it will be slowed down considerably.

Mr. Rowlands said it should also be explained to the Council that there was a legal matter of a well belonging to University Place that had to be relocated in this situation.

Mr. Calkins said as the Council will recall the idea was to acquire the property at this time. The swamps which exist here regulate the flow and act somewhat as a holding basin.

The regular order of business was then resumed.

PETITIONS:

Phillip Jacobs requesting the rezoning of property located on Sixth Avenue and Circle Way to be rezoned from an R-2 District to a C-2 District.
Referred to the Planning Commission.

Petition submitted by John D. Downer for the annexation of the Brown's Point area.

Mr. Anderson coming in at this time.

Dr. Humiston asked that there be a very careful examination made on what effect this annexation would have on the City's budget.

Mr. Rowlands said the Planning Staff along with other staff members have been doing preliminary work on this proposed annexation for some time. Some months ago the Council requested that on any proposed annexation this type of information be compiled so as to be informed of the cost.

Mr. McCormick said he thought it advisable that the Council by motion officially accept the petition as an official body for the purpose of assuming jurisdiction. The reason being, once it assumes jurisdiction the names on the petition then become fixed. They cannot be withdrawn.

Dr. Humiston moved that the Council officially receive this petition and refer it to the Planning Commission for further study. Seconded by Mr. Anderson. Voice vote taken on the motion resulted as follows: Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Mayor Hanson asked Mr. Buehler what procedure would be followed.

Mr. Buehler said this petition will be taken up by the Planning Commission at their meeting of January 19th. It is hoped that it will be ready to refer back to the Council on the 25th of January.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 15991

BY ANDERSON:

Fixing January 4, 1960 as the date for hearing on the removal and destruction of tall grass, brush and debris on the vacant lot on the corner of So. 5th & J St.

It was moved by Dr. Humiston that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Price.

Dr. Humiston said he has investigated the condition of this lot and as far as he is concerned there is no more tall grass, leaves, etc; than is normally found on any vacant lot in Tacoma.

Mr. Lee, owner of the property, said he felt it unfair for the City to compel him to improve this vacant lot on the complaint of a neighbor. He said there are no trash cans, no debris of any kind on the lot. There is simply some tall grass and a few bushes.

Mr. Porter said he also looked at the property and agrees with Dr. Humiston. There are many vacant lots in the City with much more growth in evidence than this lot.

Mr. Anderson said his investigation of the lot convinced him that this action by the City is unnecessary.

Mr. Rowlands said it should be pointed out that this program is very difficult. Last summer over 300 similar requests were received in connection with cleaning up lots. He said, his feeling is that the Council has indicated that the City's action should be restricted to areas where debris provides rat harborage and health hazards rather than tall grass even though it might prove a fire hazard in the summer. If that is to be the policy, the Staff will proceed on that basis, he added.

It was the consensus of the Council that the policy should be to continue such action only against owners of lots on which debris provides rat harborage and health hazards.

Mr. Rowlands said this is a most cumbersome process. In the event there is a legitimate request received to clean up unsightly lots, it takes about two months to process such a request. The progress is very slow.

Mrs. Goering asked what was the reaction of the property owners to such requests. Were they usually cooperative?

Mr. Rowlands said the City has not received very much cooperation from property owners. He asked Chief Fisk what his experience has been.

Chief Fisk said first of all when a complaint is received, an inspector is sent out to determine whether or not a hazard is involved. If it is determined it is a harborage for rats, the Health Dept. is called in; if it is a building, the Public Works Dept. is called in, but generally it is a fire hazard and becomes the responsibility of the Fire Department.

Then a request is made of the property owner to take care of the situation. If the property owner does not comply with the request then it is up to the City Council to take action. However, the property owner is then given an additional length of time to comply. This also gives the City Attorney an opportunity to draw up the necessary papers. Chief Fisk said, the processing of these requests entails a good deal of time.

Dr. Humiston asked Mr. Lee if he intended to clean up his lot.

Mr. Lee replied that was his intention.

Dr. Humiston then moved that the Resolution be tabled. Seconded by Mr. Anderson. Voice vote on the motion resulted as follows: Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 15995:

L I D 3504

BY PRICE:

Fixing Tuesday, February 9, 1960 at 4:00 P.M. as the date for hearing on L I D 3504 for sanitary sewers in the area bounded by East 50th Street, East 72nd Street, from East K to East N Streets.

It was moved by Mr. Bratrud that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Anderson.

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

Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 15996:

L I D 4665

BY PRICE:

Fixing February 9, 1960 at 4:00 P.M. as the date for hearing on L I D 4665 for paving, curbs, gutters and storm water catch basins on East "B" Street from East 46th Street to East 48th Street.

It was moved by Mr. Anderson that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Bratrud.

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

Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 15997:

BY EASTERDAY:

Fixing Monday, February 15, 1960 at 4:00 P.M. as the date for hearing on the vacation of property for Tacoma School District #10 on 55th Ave. N.E. between 27th 29th N. E. and alley between 27th-29th and 54th Ave.

It was moved by Mr. Perdue that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Price.

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

Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

Mr. Easterday leaving at this time.

Resolution No. 15998:

BY ANDERSON:

Submitting to the qualified voters of the City a proposition providing for the levying of millage sufficient to raise \$360,000 for the purpose of purchasing materials, supplies and equipment, the making of repairs, betterments, improvements and the hiring of additional personnel for the Fire Department.

It was moved by Mr. Perdue that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Bratrud.

Dr. Humiston said he objected to approximately \$72,000 for maintenance and operation which was included in the levy. He pointed out that the millage would pay the salaries of the 14 additional men only through December 31, 1960 and would obligate future operating budgets to continue the salaries at the expense of other departments of the City. He said other departments are already suffering and he felt the City was heading for a dangerous situation by robbing them further. Consequently, he said, he cannot vote for this Resolution. He had no objections to the millage for Capital Out and if that were a separate Resolution he would be in favor of it, but since the two are combined in this one Resolution he would have to vote against the entire program.

Mrs. Goering said if they had used the inside levy for Fire Dept. improvements instead of for other purposes this proposition would have been unnecessary.

Mayor Hanson asked Mrs. Goering if she advocated the use of the inside levy in an instance such as this.

Mrs. Goering replied it was not an ideal use but was preferable to the projects for which it has been used recently.

Mayor Hanson said the only reason the inside levy had been used was due to the fact there wasn't sufficient time to utilize any other method of financing.

Mr. Rowlands said it should be pointed out that the City's financial commitments will have been lessened by the fact that several old bond issues will be paid off this year amounting to some \$44,000. Then by the end of 1961, another \$22,000 will be picked up. From that standpoint it will not be quite as severe as it would be otherwise.

Mr. Rowlands added the reason the Capital Outlay and the maintenance and operation were tied together was that the entire program, including the hiring of necessary personnel, is essential if the City is to keep fire insurance rates down.

Mrs. Goering said one thing that bothered her was that while the Fire Dept. has this watch dog in the form of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, what is being done to the other Depts. who do not have such a watch dog. Are we going to bring one department up at the expense of others simply because we are not forced to meet standards in other departments.

Dr. Humiston said there is no question but that the Police Department has suffered. 482

Mayor Hanson said perhaps it might be well to have the City's independent auditing firm study the Police Dept. and make recommendations.

Dr. Humiston said he did not feel this firm would be qualified to study the Police Dept. If such an examination is desired it should be done by someone who is familiar with Police affairs. He asked Mr. Rowlands to look into the situation to see if there is anything exclusive about using the firm of Lybrand, Ross Bros. and Montgomery, for the type of survey desired in the Police Dept. and if there might be some funds to have a qualified firm make such a study.

Mr. Rowlands said in 1956 a very fine report was prepared on the Police Dept. by the Traffic Division of the International Association of Chiefs of Police. Many of the recommendations have been incorporated in the move to the County City Building, but again the fact was emphasized that more man power was needed.

Mr. Rowlands said in his budget message the last two years, he has attempted to point out some of the shortcomings, personnel wise in the Police Dept. but the money was not available.

Mr. Bratrud said he thought the Council should be furnished with the information on how much additional money for Police protection will be involved if Brown's Point is annexed and also the effect it might have on the City's drive to regain its Class 3 rating. He pointed out there is a water problem in that area.

Mr. Rowlands said that would be done in connection with the complete study made.

Roll call was then taken on the Resolution, resulting as follows:

Ayes 5; Nays 3, Anderson, Goering and Humiston; Absent 1, Easterday.
The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

After the vote was taken on the Resolution, Mr. Anderson indicated he was in favor of the Resolution, but inadvertently voted "no".

Resolution No. 15999:

BY HANSON:

Awarding contract to Western Equipment Company for the furnishing of 454

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Miscellaneous Fire Equipment for the sum of \$7,748.82 plus sales tax.

It was moved by Mr. Anderson that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Bratrud.

Mr. Rowlands said the bid was less than expected and will save the City some \$2600. He added 29 points will be picked up by this purchase of fire equipment.

**** Voice vote on the Resolution resulted as follows: ***

Resolution No. 16000:

BY PERDUE:

Awarding contract to the (6) highest bidders for the sale and removal of surplus buildings in the amount of \$2,533.00.

It was moved by Mr. Bratrud that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Anderson.

Mr. Rowlands said these are the homes which were necessary to purchase to make way for the Yakima Avenue Bridge, and the Thompson Avenue - Yakima Avenue Transi

Voice vote was then taken on the Resolution, resulting as follows:

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Easterday.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 16001:

BY HUMISTON:

Authorizing the City Clerk to certify to the County Auditor a list of offices to be filled at the General Municipal Election March 8, 1960.

It was moved by Mr. Bratrud that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Anderson.

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

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Easterday.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 16002:

BY REQUEST OF PORTER:

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Commending the Civic Auditorium Study Committee and each individual member for their efforts on the analysis and report regarding the civic auditorium and further requesting that the Committee continue said work.

It was moved by Mr. Bratrud that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Anderson.

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

Ayes 7; Nays 1, Perdue (Passing); Absent 1, Easterday.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

**** Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Easterday

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:Ordinance No. 16494:

Amending the Official Code of the City by adding a new section to be known as Sec. 13.06.050 (3) to include all four corners of South 45th and M Streets in the R-3 Twp-Family Dwelling District. (O. H. Brasier Petition) Read by title and placed in order of final reading. 380
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FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:Ordinance No. 16493:

Amending Sec. 1.14.001 of the Official Code of the City by establishing a permanent registration office at 5448 So. Warner (Fire Station No. 7) and at 2701 So. Tacoma Avenue (Fire Station No. 2). Read by title and passed. 441

Roll call: Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Easterday.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Director of Public Works presents the assessment roll for the cost of the improvement of L I D 1969 for sanitary sewers in Pearl Street from So. 8th to So. 18th; Woodlawn Street from So. 11th to So. 13th and from So. 17th to So. 19th; So. 18th and 17th from Pearl to Woodlawn Street. 44:575
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It was moved by Mr. Bratrud that the date of February 24, 1960 be fixed as the date for hearing. Motion seconded by Mr. Anderson. Voice vote on the motion, resulted as follows: Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Easterday.

REPORTS:

MC - 286 - Accomplishments in 1959 - Plans for 1960. --- Placed on file.

Capital Improvement Program submitted by the Planning Commission. 14/5

Mr. Rowlands said the Planning Staff did a splendid task of condensing the material in this report. The principle change noted in the report is in the School category, which does not coincide with the Bond issue which will be presented to the voters on February 9, 1960. Outside of that the program is quite complete.

Mr. Rowlands said it might be well to have a meeting to go over this program with the Council members.

ITEMS FOR FILING IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

Report from the Tacoma Employees' Retirement System for the month of Dec. 1959.

Report from the Tacoma Transit System

COMMENTS:

Mr. Rowlands said at the Study Session a letter from Mr. J. M. Pederson, President of Pederson Fryers Farms Inc. was discussed, briefly. The letter requested

permission to connect the Poultry Processing Plant located at 2901 East 72nd Street, which is about one-quarter of a mile outside the City limits, to the proposed sanitary sewer that will be constructed in the near future and ending somewhere in the vicinity of East 72nd Street.

Mr. Rowlands said discussion at the Study Session indicated Pederson's should pay for any cost of the sewer line itself over and above what would normally be used to service the area. He asked the Council's direction on the matter.

It was the Council's opinion that Mr. Rowlands and the Staff explore the situation further and then report back to the Council.

Mayor Hanson said the term of J. S. Mullane expired on the 31st day of October, as a member of the Elevator Safety Board and he would like to submit Mr. Mullane's name for reappointment.

By motion of Mr. Anderson and seconded by Mr. Bratrud, the following Resolution was adopted:

Resolution No. 16003:

BY REQUEST OF HANSON:

Appointing J. S. Mullane as a member of the Elevator Safety Board for a five year term expiring October 31, 1964.

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

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Easterday.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

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Mayor Hanson announced the Director of Utilities has requested that the Council recess this meeting to Tuesday afternoon so that action may be taken on award the Cowlitz Bonds.

Mr. Bratrud asked if this could not be postponed to the next regular meeting of the Council.

Mayor Hanson explained that the bid opening is Tuesday morning at 11:00 A.M. and the bids should be accepted immediately as the entire interest structure might alter in a week.

Mr. Anderson moved that the meeting be recessed until 3:30 P.M. Tuesday, January 12, 1960. Seconded by Dr. Humiston. Motion carried by a voice vote: Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Easterday.

The Council then recessed at 6:30 P.M. to convene again at 8:30 P.M. Tuesday, January 12, 1960.

Ben Hanson
Mayor of the Council

Attest:

Josephine Mector
City Clerk