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Council Chambers, 7:00 P.M.
Tuesday, June 14, 1960

Council met in regular session. Present on roll call 7: Bott, Cvitanich, Easterday, Murtland, Price, Steele and Mayor Hanson. Absent 1, Porter.

It was moved by Mr. Easterday that the minutes of May 31st be approved as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Murtland.

Voice vote on the approval of the minutes resulted as follows: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 1, Porter.

Mayor Hanson stated the Council had not had an opportunity to examine the minutes of the meeting of June 7th. He therefore requested that they be postponed until next week for approval.

Mr. Calvin Corey, residing at 4210 So. 34th, an employee of the N. P. Shops, was present to speak on behalf of the employees of the N. P. Shops at So. Tacoma. He said there were several representatives from the various Unions present tonight to urge the City Council's support in their fight to keep their jobs.

Mr. Warren Roberson was the first spokesman representing the machinists who are employed at the N. P. Shops. He said the former So. Tacoma force of 212 men were now down to 41. He said the equipment for welding of piston heads for American and Baldwin locomotives was sent to Livingston, Montana last week, and the local jobs are gradually disappearing. He said the N. P. Railroad Company has intimated the move is being made because Livingston is more centrally located. He said the men in the So. Tacoma Shops pioneered the change-over from steam to diesel and have saved hundreds of thousands of dollars for the Northern Pacific.

Mr. Joe Grubb, representing the Sheet Metal Workers said they are appealing to the City Council and the various business men in Tacoma, urging retention of activities in the So. Tacoma Shops.

Mr. Herman Warner, representing the Boiler employees, stated in 1946 there were 43 men in the department; in 1954 about half of that number were employed, and at the present time there are only six.

Mr. Billy Lowe stated he has been working for the N. P. R. R. for 32 years. He said his Department has dwindled down from 28 men to approximately twelve.

Mr. Bott asked if in 1946 the change-over was made from Steam to Diesel.

Mr. Lowe replied that was true, but they still had some Steam locomotives.

Mr. Bott asked if the change from Steam to Diesel was the reason that so many men were no longer needed.

Mr. Lowe stated that was correct.

Mr. Elmer Lypscomb, representing the Electrical Workers, stated in 1951 there were 51 employed in the electric shop and at the present time there are only 32. The Livingston shops are still under construction and are not quite ready to make the move of the electrical equipment. He also added that the latest rumor is that the electronic balancing machine is to be moved to Livingston. This move would necessitate the reduction of 16 electricians from the So. Tacoma Shops.

Mr. Cvitanich asked Mr. Lypscomb if there was a differential in the salaries paid in Tacoma in comparison with those paid in Livingston.

Mr. Lypscomb replied, the salaries were the same.

State Representative A. L. "Slim" Rasmussen explained to the Council that N. P. Western Vice-President Dean Eastman had promised the City last year that the activities then remaining at the South Tacoma Shops would be stabilized. But they haven't, he added. He said this is the area where they make their money, and they are spending it in Livingston. The Tacoma Shops once employed 1300 men; it is now down to about 400. Approximately 250 of these jobs had been transferred to Livingston, he added. He suggested that the City Council bring this matter to the attention

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of the shippers.

Mr. Bott explained, after last week's Council meeting he contacted members of the Chamber of Commerce to solicit their aid in contacting the shippers to see if they could bring pressure. In discussing this matter with the various officials he said it was brought up that it was a little difficult to tell a large organization how they should operate their organization. The Railroad officials contend that Livingston was approximately the half-way point and more centrally located for the entire operation, and that was the reason the change was made, he added.

Mr. Rasmussen said it hadn't been too long ago that the N. P. Shops took the opposite view and folded up its operation at Livingston in favor of building shops at the end of its lines. He said it is just as practical here and, furthermore, the weather is more favorable.

Mr. Bott asked if a good deal of the equipment were located in this area, would it be more practical to repair them here or to send them to Livingston.

Mr. Rasmussen stated it would be just as practical to do the work here as in Livingston. He explained that the Railroad will work 6 or 8 units into Montana with one crew, and they do the same from the eastern end.

Mr. Cvitanich asked that a Resolution be drafted reassuring the employees that the City of Tacoma will expend every effort possible toward assisting in the retention of the So. Tacoma Shops.

Mr. Easterday suggested that a copy of the Resolution be sent to every actual shipper in the area.

Mayor Hanson stated the Resolution would be to reiterate the action previously taken. However, he added, he wasn't convinced that the Council should use any pressure on the Railroad. The Council's stand should be that we do not agree with their position; that we feel the high degree of skilled workmanship and personnel exceeds any advantage the Railroad might gain in moving to Livingston. He said he believed it was the position of the City Council to convey their opinion to the Railroad Company rather than to tell them what to do, but should also vigorously proclaim the advantage of remaining in Tacoma.

Mr. Bott asked if it would be practical to invite the officials for a conference to see just what might be their attitude.

Mr. Steele asked that an orientation luncheon be held with the officials who are located in the area.

Mayor Hanson stated it would be a good first step but, he added, the officials who actually make the decisions are located in St. Paul.

Mr. Murland said in order for the City to support the City's position facts and figures must be compiled.

Mr. Steele added he felt the Council should still hold a meeting, or luncheon, with the officials in the area so the sentiments of the City and workmen can be reflected to them.

Mr. Cvitanich again added, the City should reaffirm their faith in the workmen by Resolution showing they have the Council's moral support. He added, if a luncheon were held he believed several representatives from the Unions should be invited.

Mayor Hanson agreed this would be a good suggestion.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, said the Resolution would be drawn for next week's meeting. He added that the last efforts taken by the City were approximately one year ago. Letters were sent to the President of the Railroad and Mr. Dean Eastman; meetings were held with Mr. F. L. Steinbright, the General Manager. He said at that time they were advised these changes were conceived in December of 1957. At the same time they talked of having mechanical refrigeration cars in this division and of expanding the force and the routine maintenance of the cars and Diesels, the maintenance of the air conditioning equipment, roadway machinery, and also of having the trucking and automotive equipment centered here.

Mr. Rowlands asked Mr. Rasmussen what had been accomplished along this line, and has there been any additional personnel employed to offset the decreases which had been made.

Mr. Rasmussen explained that all of the proposals which were discussed a year ago have not taken place as yet.

Mayor Hanson stated that in addition to preparing a Resolution reaffirming the position taken by the Council approximately a year ago, they will arrange for a meeting with the officials of the N. P. Railroad to discuss the problem.

Mayor Hanson stated that before proceeding with the regular order of the Agenda he wished to introduce Mr. Dennis Swanson who was one of three in the entire nation to receive a \$1,000 scholarship award from the Am Vets organization. He said this award was received after competitive examination and was based on all the attributes that we look for in our younger generation. He added that we can all be proud of our youth of today, and also proud of the Am Vets organization who are taking an active roll in giving these young people, who have such a great potential, an opportunity to develop.

Mayor Hanson at this time presented Mr. Swanson with a key to the City of Tacoma.

Mayor Hanson added that a great deal of credit should also be given to Mr. and Mrs. Swanson, Dennis' parents.

Both Mayor Hanson and Mr. Rowlands congratulated Dennis on receiving this scholarship.

Mayor Hanson also introduced Mr. John Migdala, the Commander of Am Vets, Post #1 in Tacoma.

Mr. Migdala thanked Mayor Hanson for the invitation to have Dennis appear to meet the City Council and citizens of Tacoma.

HEARINGS & APPEALS:

This is the date set for hearing on a replat of a portion of McNeil and Ellsworth's Harbor View Addition. Lloyd A. Beeler, et al

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Mr. Rowlands explained that the map included with the agenda shows the area to be replatted.

Mr. Buehler advised that no protests had been received on this replat. He added that the hearing was required under the provisions of the State Law.

No one appearing to protest the replat, it was moved by Mr. Nott to approve the replat. Seconded by Mr. Murtland. Voice vote on the motion resulted as follows: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 1, Porter.

This is the date set for hearing on the petition submitted by John A. Paglia, et al, requesting the change from a one-way street to a two-way street in the K Street area.

Mayor Hanson stated he understood this was the date the petition would be formally received by the Council, and action should be taken to set a date for hearing if a hearing is to be held.

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Mr. Rowlands stated the petition was submitted 6 weeks or 2 months ago, and at the same time the request was being considered for two-way traffic on Commerce Street. He said in conjunction with both of the requests, which were more or less under consideration simultaneously, considerable information was compiled at that time and was sent out again with the agenda, Friday.

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Mayor Hanson asked if the petition that was filed on June 10th, which contained 115 signatures, was re-checked for duplicates.

Mr. Rowlands stated they had not been checked as yet.

Mayor Hanson said the Council should determine whether another hearing should be held on this matter.

Mr. Rowlands explained, before the one-way street system was installed meetings were held with the businessmen and it was indicated at that time the one-way system was well received.

Mr. Cvitanich asked what effect would this have on the total grid system if it were returned to the two-way street?

Mr. Kosai, Traffic Engineer, explained that as far as the 11th and 12th Street program is concerned it would affect the whole system if they are returned to two-way traffic. He added, the north and south streets would not be in conflict with the system in the downtown area. He further added that "J" and "K" Streets could be operated independently as one-way streets, as well as "L" and "M" Streets.

Mr. Rowlands pointed out that traffic safety wise has improved since the inception of the one-way street system.

Mr. Bott said he was under the impression the one-way street problem had been disposed of at the other hearing. He said he could not see the practicability of holding a hearing on each street each time an appeal is received. He added, he believed it should not be considered again at this time.

Mayor Hanson remarked he felt there was nothing to indicate any reason for the change, although, he added, this does not mean that the Council in the future could not consider changing an area if they wished.

Mr. Steele stated he felt this matter was more or less left up in the air as far as Mr. Paglia was concerned, and added, it appeared to him, according to the Council minutes, the matter was resolved at the last hearing on the one-way streets.

Mr. Steele then moved that the Council not consider this matter further. Seconded by Mr. Bott. Voice vote was called on the motion, resulting as follows: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 1, Porter.

Mr. Cvitanich explained he voted on the prevailing side which will give him the opportunity to call for a reconsideration of the motion.

Mayor Hanson said the entire traffic problem has been analyzed but will not preclude the presenting of another petition at a later date.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Don D. Murphy, requesting an opportunity to be heard before the Council.

Mayor Hanson explained to Mr. Murphy, inasmuch as the matter which he wishes to bring before the City Council is pending before the Courts he felt it should not be heard at this time.

Mr. Steele said it should be explained to Mr. Murphy if the Council undertakes to hear this matter tonight both Mr. Murphy and the City Council would be in contempt of Court.

L. W. Craig, County Assessor, requesting that their office be notified which three members of the City Council will represent the City on this year's Pierce County Board of Equalization.

Mayor Hanson said he would like to appoint Mr. Easterday, Mr. Murtland and Mr. Cvitanich to serve on the Board of Equalization; the first meeting to be held on July 5 at 1:30 P.M. He asked that Mr. Craig, County Assessor, be so notified.

Tacoma City Planning Commission inviting the City Council to attend a joint meeting with the Commission at a convenient time for both groups sometime during the month of June.

Mayor Hanson stated they desire ^{of} this meeting during June and asked if they wished to establish a date at this time/would the Council prefer to wait until a new Council member is appointed.

It was the consensus of the Council to wait for the appointment of the new Council Member before arrangements are completed for this meeting.

Mr. Cvitanich said he wished to compliment Mr. Buehler, Planning Director, on the excellent display of the Mall's, etc. that was presented at the Association of Washington Cities Convention in Wenatchee last month.

Toney Shelton, Sec. and Business Manager of the Tacoma Schools, requesting that the \$100.00 filing fee be waived in connection with their petition for vacation of the alley at 8th & Ainsworth (Bryant School). 300

It was moved by Mr. Steele that the filing fee be waived. Seconded by Mrs. Price. Voice vote on the motion resulted as follows: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 1, Porter.

U. S. Post Office Dept., requesting that they be exempt from paying the \$100 fee requested for the filing of rezoning petition for the property located at 38th and A Street. 214

Mr. Rowlands advised that before a motion is made he informed the Council that this request follows a slightly different category. He added that the Council, in the past, has waived this fee for other governmental jurisdictions, such as the School Board and Park Board. In this instance, he said, this Post Office Dept. is going to lease this property.

Mr. Rowlands said, in most circumstances the owners of the property, or their agents, make the request and he felt that this request would not be in order.

Mr. Buehler, City Planner, explained that in discussing this request with Mr. Barrett of the Post Office Dept. he advised Mr. Barret that the Council ordinarily has not waived any rezoning fees as this is a change in classification from Residential to Commercial thereby changing the entire picture.

Mayor Hanson asked if it would be possible to zone the area on condition that it be used as a Post Office so that the property would revert back to a Residential zone if and when the Post Office no longer has use of the property.

Mr. Buehler said he had talked with the Post Office officials about the filing of a special permit for this specific operation, but they did not wish to do so as they desired to have the property amortized over a longer period of time on the building rather than for the length of their lease, so it could be reverted back to a Commercial zone.

Mr. Bott said in view of the information presented, he moved that the request be denied. Seconded by Mr. Murtland. Voice vote was taken on the motion, resulting as follows: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 1, Porter.

Mr. Rowlands asked Mr. Buehler if the Planning Staff had recommended this particular site as the location for the new Post Office.

Mr. Buehler advised that no recommendation had been made in this regard.

Mr. Bott suggested a letter be written advising them of the proper procedure to follow wherein the owner of the property should make the application, not the person who is to lease the property.

PETITIONS:

Mr. Buehler stated that the next item on the agenda

Postmaster General of the United States, requesting the rezoning of property located at 38th & A Street from an "R-3" to a "C-1" District.

Mr. Buehler stated that the next item on the agenda is the Petition for referral to the Planning Department in this regard, to be referred to the Planning Commission for proper hearing.

Mr. Bott asked if this were being applied for in the name of the Post Office Dept. or in the name of the property owner.

Mr. Buehler replied that the Post Office Dept. is applying for this.

Mr. Bott asked if this were legal.

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, explained the Government can apply the same as any other individual.

Mayor Hanson asked Mr. Buehler if he would contact the Post Office Dept. with reference to this matter so they can be guided in terms of the thinking of the community.

Mr. Buehler stated the Post Office Dept. had made options on 3 or 4 different pieces of property and the Planning Commission had discussed the different sites, but the final decision was up to the Post Office Dept.

Mr. Rowlands said he had been meeting with the Post Office officials for 8 or 9 months and they were fully apprised of other possibilities and of the feelings of the businessmen in the 38th St. area.

PETITIONS Referred to the Planning Commission.

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Referred to the Planning Commission.

The Planning Commission requesting the City Council, by motion, initiate proceedings for the vacation of Roosevelt Ave; between East 68th Street extended and 71st extended.

Mr. Buehler explained that procedure was authorized by the 1959 legislature wherein the City Council is permitted to initiate the proceedings. He said they have been working with the adjacent property owners to work out a suitable pattern.

It was then moved by Mr. Easterday that the City Council request that a Resolution be drawn initiating the proceedings for the vacation. Seconded by Mrs. Price. Voice vote on the motion resulted as follows: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 1, Porter.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 16165: (Postponed from June 7, 1960 meeting)

Awarding contract to Woodworth & Co., for L I D 4553 on their bid of \$93,472.15 and for the supplemental proposal in the amount of \$594.00, which was determined to be the lowest and best bid.

Mr. Rowlands explained that this bid was \$12,000 below the estimate.

It was moved by Mr. Easterday that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Murtland.

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

Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 1, Porter.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

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Resolution No. 16169:

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to proceed with the necessary plans and specifications for the financing and construction of the impounding basin on Leach Creek south of Fircrest.

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It was moved by Mr. Easterday that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

Mr. Rowlands explained that Mr. Anderson, Engineer for the Fisheries Dept., stopped in his office the other morning and said he would be sending in a recommendation probably by Friday of this week. He said he desired to bring the letter in for distribution to the Council after which a full scale discussion could be made in reference to his recommendation.

Mr. Rowlands said he would like to bring the Council up to date in regard to this matter. He added that in 1958 the citizens voted on a Bond Issue in the amount of \$2,775,000 for various sewer improvements, such as the South Sprague Street, Portland Avenue Trunk, McKinley Avenue Trunk lines, etc. One portion of the improvement was entitled the "West End Leach Creek and Trunk Storm Drain" for which \$492,000 has been set aside. All of this work north of Fircrest has been accomplished at an approximate cost of \$352,200.00. He said additional funds from the Bond Issue are available in an approximate amount of \$140,000.00. He added that no particular amount was earmarked for the holding basin, as the money was voted to acquire the property and it was not contemplated that it would be necessary to build the basin as quickly as it is requested at this time. However, he added, \$140,000 is available at this time from the fund. The two projects which are underway at the present time, the Puyallup Ave. pumping station and the Portland Avenue trunk, might exceed the estimates and a portion of the \$140,000 may be needed to complete the payment on these two projects. He said he hoped bids will be called this summer on the two projects, and at that time the Council will know the specific cost of each.

Mr. Martland asked Mr. Rowlands if the plans for the holding basin might be changed if it were not constructed now.

Mr. Rowlands said he thought that would be the information that will be forthcoming from Mr. Anderson of the Fisheries Department.

Mr. Cvitanich asked if Mr. Anderson had made any recommendation if the basin would or should be constructed.

Mr. Rowlands replied that Mr. Anderson did not make any recommendation as yet, but thought that he would present some type of change in his recommendation next week.

Mr. Mladinov, Attorney representing several residents on Leach Creek, stated he had also make inquiries into the costs of the Leach Creek Improvement and found that \$492,000 had been appropriated and that \$352,209.36 had been spent which left a surplus of \$139,790.64.

He added that he had received a copy of the City Manager's comments regarding Imp. No. 1955, and pointed out that only one thing yet remains to be done on the entire improvement No. 1955, on the whole West End Leach Creek Trunk Storm Drains, and that is the construction of the holding basin.

He said he was aware of the fact that Mr. Ralph Anderson of the State Department of Fisheries was in the City and had discussed this matter with the City Manager and knew that Mr. Anderson's relations with the City in this respect have been quite deep, sincere and knowledgeable.

Mayor Hanson asked Mr. Mladinov if he were willing to await a recommendation from Mr. Anderson in this regard.

Mr. Mladinov replied that he would and renewed his request to be informed of any meetings by the Council or Staff regarding the Leach Creek matter.

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Mayor Hanson stated Mr. Mladinov would be informed of any meeting in reference to policy. He said he felt Mr. Mladinov had misunderstood the Council's position in regard to the postponement of the Resolution as it is purely the matter of awaiting the receipt of a report from the Fisheries Department.

Mr. Easterday stated he felt the Council should not expend any of the \$140,000 which remains in the West End Leach Creek and Trunk Storm Drain Account until this holding basin has been completed in its entirety.

Mr. Murtland said he believed the City should adhere to the time schedule set up for this project. He felt the City should not be required to hurry into the construction of this basin.

Mr. Mladinov said in discussing this matter with the staff, he was informed there was nothing further to be done in the West End Leach Creek Trunk Storm Drain Project except for the construction of the holding basin, for which the land has already been acquired.

Mr. Rowlands explained it was not necessarily contemplated that \$50,000 of this \$492,000 would be spent for a holding basin because it could have been possible that the entire \$492,000 could have been used for the trunk sewers.

Mr. Mladinov pointed out that the booklet from which he and Mr. Rowlands are quoting, shows on page 7 and 8 where the holding basin is to be installed.

Mr. Rowlands said this was merely to indicate where the water would eventually flow into from the whole drainage area. Nothing was necessarily said about the construction of the holding basin, he added.

Mr. Steels then moved that Resolution No. 16169 be postponed until a communication is received from Mr. Anderson, Engineer from the Fisheries Department, setting forth their recommendations. Seconded by Mr. Murtland. Roll call was taken on the motion resulting as follows: Ayes 5; Nays 2, Cvitanich and Easterday; Absent 1, Porter

Resolution No. 16170:

L I D 6780

47 Fixing Monday, July 11, 1960 at 4:00 P.M. as the date for hearing on LID 6780 for street lights on existing wood poles in vicinity of No. 17th and Skyline Drive.

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

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

Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 1, Porter.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 16171:

BY REQUEST OF HANSON:

Appointing Joseph Fox to the Teenage Dance Board for a two year term.

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

Mayor Hanson said that Mr. Fox has served since the conception of this Board and has been an outstanding member, and has continued in his career of taking an active part in helping the teenagers and helping the youth of our City.

Mr. Easterday stated he has known Mr. Fox for many years, and he has been very active in promoting the teen age dances sponsored by the Eagles and also the organizing of young peoples rifle teams.

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

Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 1, Porter.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 16172:

Authorizing the settlement of a claim in the amount of \$1,153.00 to Grant L and Betty Lou Jorgensen, for damages occurred on or about the 26th day of February 1960.

It was moved by Mr. Bott that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Murtland.

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

Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 1, Porter.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 16173:

Authorizing the Director of Public Works to establish a ten-minute parking zone in front of the grocery store owned by Mr. Willie Tyus, at 2315 So. G Street.

It was moved by Mr. Easterday that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Murtland.

Mr. Rowlands stated this is not an unusual procedure as many requests are received each year to install ten minute parking zones

Mr. Kosai, Traffic Engineer, explained in many areas there are commercial establishments such as grocery stores, laundries, etc., which are not located in established business districts such as K Street or Tacoma Avenue; and because of the number of cars that park adjacent to these small establishments there is a constant blockage of the curbs. Therefore, he added, to alleviate this problem, the City Ordinance provides that upon a request from the business establishment a ten minute parking limit can be established.

Mr. Bott asked if a ten minute zone were practicable and also if a ten minute zone can be policed.

Mr. Kosai replied that a ten minute zone is not policed but it is more important to the business in the area than the one or two hour zone.

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

Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 1, Porter.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 16174:

Authorizing J. R. Wiborg to demolish said property and clear the site upon which same exists in the area known as 4523 North Bristol Street.

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

Mr. Rowlands explained that Mr. Wiborg has agreed to remove the house at no cost to the City and also the City is held harmless from any damage that might occur while this work is being done.

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

Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 1, Porter

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 16175:

Awarding contract to Tom Tonneson for L F D 4665 and Improv. No. 3016-D on their bid of \$10,754.00 which was determined to be the lowest and best bid.

It was moved by Mr. Easterday that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Murtland.

Voice vote was taken on the Resolution resulting as follows:

Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 1, Porter.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 16176:

Awarding contract to Lige Dickson Company on their bid of \$8,900.00 plus sales tax for the demolishing of the Blue House Theatre building.

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

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

Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 1, Porter.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

Mr. Rowlands distributed to the Council a resume of the status on the escalators. He said the contract for the demolition of the Blue House Theatre is ready to be signed. The works should be completed by September 15th and the sidewalks should be installed and completed in this location by December 15, 1960.

The area between Pacific Avenue and Commerce on 10th should also be completed by December 15, 1960.

Mr. Rowlands further added that the Attorney is still negotiating for the sites at 10th between Commerce and Broadway and at 12th between Pacific and Commerce Streets, and would keep the Council informed of any additional information on these projects.

Resolution No. 16177:

Awarding contract to Russ Dunsmire Oldsmobile Co. for the furnishing of one 1960 four-door sedan for the sum of \$2,703.85 plus \$31.85 for part of optional equipment, plus sales tax.

It was moved by Mr. Bott that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

Mr. Cvitanich stated he felt the purchase of this automobile was necessary as he felt the automobile does not represent the individual, but represents the City of Tacoma. He added, when dignitaries are visiting from other areas, the City should have a decent and presentable automobile in which the Mayor could tour the City. He said he wholeheartedly favored the Resolution.

Mayor Hanson said he agreed with Mr. Cvitanich's statement, and added that it was important to have an automobile of which the City can be proud.

Mr. Steele stated he felt it should be clearly understood that this car belongs to the Office of the Mayor of the City of Tacoma and is not the Mayor's personal automobile.

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

Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 1, Porter

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 16178:

Authorizing the sale of surplus coils at the Cushman Substation to the Tacoma Junk Company on their bid of \$4,228.00.

It was moved by Mr. Murtland that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

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

Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 1, Porter.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 16179:

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute an easement to St. Regis Paper Company in the vicinity of Lake Kapowsin, for an existing roadway.

It was moved by Mr. Murtland that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Easterday.

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

Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 1, Porter.

The Resolution was then declared adopted by the Chairman.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 16590:

Vacating portions of streets and alleys bounded by So. 11th, 19th, Pearl to Shirley Streets. (Petition of Fred C. Berto, et al.) Read by title, and placed in order of final reading. 110 235

Ordinance No. 16591:

Establishing two temporary registration offices for the registration of voters prior to the State Primary and State General elections, at 7247 So. Park Ave., and 7217 - 6th Avenue. Read by title. 235

Mr. Rowlands explained there are five permanent places set up at the Fire Stations in various places in the City at the present time. Under the State Law there must be two temporary places designated 15 days before the Primary and Final elections.

He added the Election Dept. believes these two places can best serve the areas as it will provide registration places conveniently located in various parts of the City for those who can not otherwise come into the County-City Building to register. The Ordinance was then placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 16592:

Authorizing the proper officers to condemn property in the area of the 235

Narrows Bridge approach (Olympic Blvd.,) for the purpose of the construction, installation and maintenance of a sewage treatment plant. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 16593:

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to condemn property located at 1132-34 Pacific Avenue and 1131-33 Commerce Street for the construction of moving sidewalks and pedestrian right-of-way. Read by title.

Mr. Rowlands said this Ordinance is in reference to the Cameo Theatre Bldg. property. He added the Architect, Legal Department and Building Inspector are analyzing this very carefully, and it might be possible to locate the escalators in the adjoining property as the Attorneys are having a little difficulty in arriving at a reasonable term as far as the Cameo Theatre is concerned.

Mr. McCormick explained it may be more costly to go through the Theatre Building than to take the adjoining property.

The Ordinance was then placed in order of final reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 16586: (postponed from the meeting of June 7, for redrafting)

Amending Chapter 5.30 of the Official Code in reference to Domestic Fowl. Read by title.

Mr. Rowlands stated since last week's meetings have been held with representatives of the various organizations interested in pigeons, by Dr. Fargher and Mr. McCormick in reference to this Ordinance. He understood the changes which have been made in the Ordinance are acceptable by the organizations.

Dr. Fargher said the main change in the Ordinance is that the Health Dept. will not inspect any of the locations in which the pigeons are kept unless a complaint is received.

One suggestion was made at the meetings that "homers" be added after the word "rollers" on line 9 of Sec. 5.30.0202.

It was then moved by Mr. Steele that the Ordinance be approved as redrafted and also that the words "or homers" be added after the word "rollers" on line 9 of Sec. 5.30.020. Seconded by Mrs. Price. Voice vote on the motion resulted as follows: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 1, Porter

Mr. A. G. Nolan, a member of the Puget Sound Pigeon Fanciers stated that in behalf of all the members of the Club he would like to express their thanks to the Health Dept. and Dr. Fargher for their cooperation in this problem.

He said that all three clubs in Tacoma will pledge themselves in every way possible to assist the Health Dept. in enforcing this Ordinance.

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

Roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 1, Porter.

Ordinance No. 16589:

Providing for the improvement of L I D 3511 for sanitary sewers in the vicinity of So. 18th and Walters Road. Read by title. 10

Mr. Lloyd L. Seal, Jr of 8430 So. 18th, requested the Council to postpone action on this Ordinance for at least one or two weeks. He said the State Dept. of Fisheries and State Pollution Commission are also interested in this matter. 102

He explained that at the hearing held by the L I D Committee on May 25th, he understood there would be two readings of the Ordinance and a 80 day period for filing protests after the Ordinance had been approved; but, he said, later in discussing this matter with Mr. Hamilton, Assistant City Attorney, he was informed there would be only one reading of the Ordinance.

Mr. Easterday moved that final action on this Ordinance be postponed until June 21, 1960. Seconded by Cvitanich. Roll call was taken on the motion to continue Ordinance No. 16589 until June 21, 1960: Ayes 1; Nays 6, Bott, Cvitanich, Murtland, Price, Steele and Mayor Hanson; Absent 1, Porter. The motion was declared lost.

Mr. Murtland, who was a member of the L I D Committee at the time of the hearing on L I D 3511, stated Mr. Sell was aware of the fact that a sanitary sewer L I D is different than those of other types of L I D's and that there was no 30 day waiting period.

Mr. Sell stated he was in opposition to the construction of two sewers where one would suffice. He said it was contemplated that sewers would be constructed on So. 18th and 19th Street. He said there are five residents on So. 18th Street who would not receive any benefits from this improvement, as their property is below the street level. He pointed out that the sewer should be built between 18th & 19th Streets and also one on 17th Street to accommodate those homes which are below the street level.

He added he has taken this matter up with the Pollution Commission and the Fisheries Dept. and believed that within a week they would have some objections to present to the Council regarding the pollution of the Titlow Beach, Day Island Lagoon.

Mayor Hanson stated that the City shares the concern for the pollution of the waters in the Sound, and he said, the reason the sewer rates were increased was to eliminate the pollution problem which exists.

Mr. Rowlands explained that up until 3:00 P.M. today, the number of protests received on this project was reduced from 57% to a little over 45%.

Mr. Rowlands further added that on May 23rd a letter was received from the Health Dept. strongly recommending this L I D be approved as there is a real health problem in this area. Much of the soil in this area is of high clay content and there is a great deal of spring water which causes the sewage from septic tank drainfields to overflow and create a public health hazard. He further explained, after the construction of the sewers much of the seepage will continue but will not be contaminated as it is at the present time.

Mr. Ray Smith, Chief Sanitarian of the Health Department, stated they have received many complaints from residents in the area of heavy sewage concentration in the yards; He said they have examined the soil and found that a couple of feet down a hardpan condition exists. In 1955 their Department wrote a letter to the Planning Commission wherein they objected to the construction of a home in this area inasmuch as a blue clay soil condition existed and would not allow proper drainage.

They have worked very closely with the State Pollution Control Commission and it was the City's recommendation that they would permit additional houses to be built in this area on the basis of the limit amount of pollution that exists.

Mr. Wangsmo, residing on So. 18th Street, explained to the Council he was in favor of the improvement, but could not understand how the people who live on the north side of So. 18th Street could connect to the sewers if the sewers were placed between So. 18th and 19th Street and in So. 17th Street, as Mr. Sell suggested.

Mr. Robert Miles of 8425 So. 18th, stated his basement will be 16 feet below the street level and the sewer line approximately 10 feet below the street level. He suggested the City postpone the construction of the sewers until after the Treatment Plant has been built.

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Mrs. Price said inasmuch as a health problem exists, the Council should proceed as soon as possible.

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney stated if the Council passes this Ordinance by a unanimous vote then the provision in the State Law which grants an additional 30 days to file protests will not apply, but, if the Ordinance does not pass by a unanimous vote, the 30 day provision is in effect therefore allowing the filing of additional protests within a 30 day period.

Mr. Cvitanich asked if the City property is to be assessed and, if so, will it be charged to the person who might purchase it at a later date.

Mr. Rowlands replied this is an improvement to the property and would be classed as such when the property is sold.

Roll was called on the Ordinance, resulting as follows: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 1, Porter.

ITEMS FOR FILING IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

Report from the Municipal Court for the month of May, 1960.

COMMENTS:

Mr. Rowlands distributed a memo from the Association of Washington Cities in respect to Convention sites. He said the question has arisen many times as to whether the convention should be held in large or smaller cities. The A. W. C. would like an expression from the Tacoma City Council in this regard. Mr. Rowlands stated the Association of Washington Cities was quite concerned of the fact that when sessions are held in smaller cities many delegates must drive ten or fifteen miles in order to obtain housing.

Mayor Hanson said he thought the Committee in charge of making recommendation with reference to the city to be chosen should have knowledge of their ability to house the delegates.

Mr. Steele explained that at the last session, the Resolution Committee had talked of submitting a Resolution to the effect of holding the sessions only in the cities of Seattle, Spokane, Tacoma and Yakima, but did not submit it for fear of offending some of the slightly smaller cities.

Mayor Hanson asked the Council members to submit their vote to Mr. Rowlands and he in turn would notify the A. W. C.

Mr. Rowlands asked the Council members how many would be attending the Park Board Cruise on Thursday, June 16th at 1:00 P.M.

Mr. Murtland, Mrs. Price, Mr. Cvitanich, Mr. Steele & Mayor Hanson indicated they would attend.

Mrs. Price advised she had received a call from a person a few days ago in reference to incinerators. This party asked if there were any regulations in reference to using incinerators during certain hours of the day.

Mrs. Price explained that many times when people are using their barbecues or eating their meals in the backyard someone will start to burn their incinerators causing a great deal of smoke and unpleasant odors thus forcing them indoors.

She asked that regulations be placed so that no burning could be done on Saturday afternoons or Sundays, which seems to be the time most people are picnicing in their yards.

Mr. Rowlands stated he would have this matter checked into as it may come under the Nuisance Ordinance. He added that in the future Tacoma may have to

enforce the same law as Los Angeles wherein they do not allow burdingof any kind. He said possibly the system could be arranged where any type of rubbish, paper or garbage could be picked up. He added this is getting to be more and more of a problem.

Mr. Steele advised that he, Mr. Easterday and Mr. Bott had attended the Utilities luncheon on Monday. He said they were sorry more of the Council had not attended and also took a tour through the Utility Building.

Mr. Easterday said Mr. Barline suggested at this meeting that a visit be scheduled to the Cowlitz with the members of the Council and Utility Board so the City Council can be apprised on the progress being made at the Cowlitz.

Mr. Bott said he had an occasion to visit the construction project on East 4th Street which is being done by outside contractors and observed the careless manner in which they were proceeding with the work. He said the streets were left open and the equipment was scattered which causes quite a hazardous condition.

He said he thought the Public Works Department is having no end of trouble with the contractor. He urged that all contracts be given to local concerns as he thought they would be more cooperative.

Mr. Easterday asked that an amendment be made to the Charter whereby when a member is uninformed on a subject and he wishes to pass, his vote not be recorded as a "no" vote. He said he would like to see this matter discussed at a future meeting and changed in the City Council rules.

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, advised Mr. Easterday that Sec. 2.10 of the City Charter reads as follows: "Members present but not voting shall be recorded as voting in the negative." Mr. McCormick said for that reason any pass vote is registered as a "no" vote.

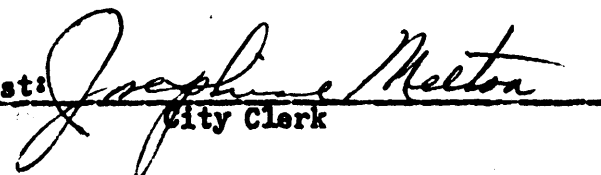
Mr. Cvitanich said it states in the City Charter that the Council, as a group, shall call for an independent audit, and asked if there had been an audit made of the Belt Line by an independent auditing firm.

Mayor Hanson said this was a matter that was to be discussed by the Council.

Mr. Cvitanich asked the members of the City Council to meet in the Conference Room immediately after this evening's meeting. He explained this meeting would be for the Council members only.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, upon motion duly seconded and passed, the meeting adjourned at 10:40 P.M.


Mayor of the City Council

Attest: 
City Clerk