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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Special Meeting

Board Room
Public Utilities Building
11:30 A.M., Wednesday
March 24, 1965

Pursuant to due notice, a special meeting of the City Council of the City of Tacoma was held at 11:30 A.M. on March 24, 1965 in the Board Room in the Public Utilities Building at 3628 South 35th Street, Tacoma, Washington.

Present on roll call 8: W. G. "Gerry" Bott, George Cvitanich, Maurice S. Finnigan, C. Morrison Johnson, Mrs. Ellen R. Price, R. G. Haley, Arnold J. Herrmann, M.D., and Mayor Harold M. Tollefson. Absent 1: Hal Murtland.

Mayor Tollefson called the meeting to order and after roll call stated that the special meeting was called for the purpose of considering Resolution No. 18241, which was a resolution approving the bid and sale of 50 million dollars principal amount of Light and Power Revenue Bonds, Series of 1965, of the City of Tacoma.

Said Resolution No. 18241 was then read by the City Clerk.

After the resolution had been read, Dr. Herrmann moved to adopt said resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Mr. Haley. The matter was then opened for discussion.

Mayor Tollefson stated that the low bid was a very favorable bid and that it would result in a savings of approximately 2½ million dollars over the life of the bonds when compared with the interest costs of the last issues of bonds sold by the City in respect to the Cowlitz Project of 18 million dollars, where the effective rate was 3.81 compared to the present bid of 3.614. Mayor Tollefson also stated that at the conference held in New York last week with prospective bond purchasers, Mr. Erdahl had made a very fine presentation on behalf of the City of Tacoma and that the Harza Engineering firm representative had likewise made a fine presentation. He further stated that, while the bids were probably predicated upon the official statement of the City of Tacoma, this fine presentation was helpful in securing the favorable bid.

He also expressed his appreciation to Mr. Erdahl and to his staff, to the Chairman and other members of the Public Utility Board and to all other persons who had helped in preparing and presenting the matters to the prospective buyers.

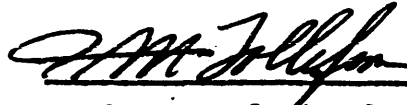
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Roll call on the resolution was then taken resulting in a unanimous vote of 8 Ayes. Absent, Mr. Murtland.

Mr. McGavick, Chairman of the Public Utility Board, then stated that he would likewise like to state that at the meeting in New York, referred to by the Mayor, both Mayor Tollefson and Mr. Erdahl had made fine presentations and at said meeting there were no questions directed to the representatives of Tacoma which in any way reflected upon the project or the issuance of the bonds, and he believed that the favorable bid was, in part, a result of this presentation.

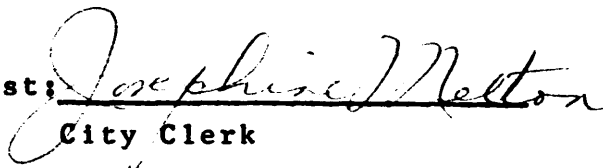
Archie McLean, Jr., City financial consultant, spoke at the request of Mayor Tollefson, and stated that the low bid the Council had approved was in fact an A-rated bid, whether or not our bond had an actual rating of A. He further stated that the reason for the excellent bids was in large part due to the fact that there was no litigation pending in regard to the Cowlitz; that the time of the call for bids was favorable; that the earnings of the utilities were better, not only in gross but that the water storage behind the dams was more favorable than in some of the prior sales. He further stated that he was sure that the presentation made by the City representatives in New York to the prospective bidders was also an important factor. He concluded in stating that he was certain that the buyers, by their low bid, recognized the caliber of the City Council, the Utility Board, and the other officials and staff members of the City of Tacoma.

Mayor Tollefson thanked all of the speakers. Mr. Haley moved to adjourn, which motion was seconded and carried, and the City Council adjourned at 11:45 A.M.



Mayor of the City Council

Attest:



City Clerk