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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers, 4:00 P. M.
Tuesday, Feb. 14, 1967

Council met in regular session. Present on roll call 6: Finnigan, Haley, Johnson, Johnson, Price and Mayor Tollefson. Absent 3: Bott, Cvitanich and Hurtland. Mr. Bott arriving at 4:15 P. M. and Mr. Cvitanich arriving at 4:20 P. M.

Mrs. Price moved that the minutes of the meeting of Jan. 31, 1967 be approved as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Haley. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

A \$25.00 suggestion award was presented by Mayor Tollefson and Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, to the following employees of the Public Works Department, Cliff Zahow, Frank Morrone, Mike Pandrea and Wayne Eling for a joint suggestion concerning the installation of floodlights on the rear corners of utility flusher trucks.

The recipients of the award were congratulated by Mayor Tollefson, Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, and members of the City Council.

HEARINGS & APPEALS:

This is the date set for hearing on the appeal filed by George R. Marvin on the denial of the request for rezoning of property located on the north side of Marine View Drive and between McMurray Road & Lincoln Ave., extended from an "R-2", "R-4" and "C-1" to an "M-2" District.

Mayor Tollefson remarked that he had received a letter from Mr. Marvin's attorney asking that this hearing be postponed, as the Port Commissioner intends to file a petition for rezoning of a similar nature on the same side, and thought this matter should be resolved at the same time.

Mr. Haley moved that the hearing on the appeal filed by George R. Marvin be postponed until April 11, 1967. Seconded by Mr. Finnigan. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 19053

Accepting the report prepared by the Dept. of Public Works entitled Tacoma Street Needs 1967-1975.

Mrs. Price moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Haley.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.
Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 3, Bott, Cvitanich and Hurtland.

Resolution No. 19054

Accepting certain offers to sell real property situated within the New Tacoma Urban Renewal project No. Wash. R-14.

Mrs. Price moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Johnson.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 2, Cvtanich and Murland.

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Mr. Bott coming in at 4:15 P. M.

Resolution No. 19055

Awarding contract to Morris Construction, Inc. on its bid of \$1,673.15 for W. O. No. 9116.

Mrs. Price moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Cvtanich and Murland.

Resolution No. 19056

Adopting a Workable Program for Community Improvement of the City of Tacoma for 1967-68.

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Mr. Haley moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Price.

Mr. Richmond, Director of Urban Renewal, requested that the "Attachments to the Workable Program - 1967 Submission (1 each), listing the (21) items be made a part of the Workable Program.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Cvtanich and Murland.

Resolution No. 19057

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to enter into a lease agreement with West Coast Airlines, Inc. providing for additional office space and increased rental payments.

Mrs. Price moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Haley.

Mr. Phillips, Airport Manager, explained that West Coast Airlines' boardings at the Tacoma Industrial Airport totaled 4,796 in 1966 which is an increase of nearly 1,100 over the previous year. He added, Tacoma realized revenues totaling \$3,710 from the airline operation last year. The terminal is not far from paying its own way on the basis of West Coast's use alone, but he was still hoping that a lunch room could be built. He added, that in a year or two he hoped the terminal will completely pay for itself.

Mr. Cvtanich coming in at 4:30 P. M.

Mr. Rowlands felt if the West Coast Airlines would improve its Tacoma schedules, the boarding figures would dramatically increase.

Mr. Bott suggested that the City enlist the aid of the Chamber of Commerce in urging West Coast to improve its schedules and do more promoting of its local service.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Murland.

Resolution No. 19058

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute an easement with Mason County for a right of way for a County Road to be located in the area of Tacoma-Cushman transmission line west of Allyn, Washington.

Mr. Haley moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Price.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Martland.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 18223

Amending Section 1.12.480 of the official code relative to the compensation plan regarding Public Health Nurses.

Mr. Rowlands explained that under this proposal the first two steps of the present five-step pay plan for the nurses would be eliminated, and a new category will be added for public health nurses with some supervisory duties. The change will boost starting pay for public health nurses from \$500 to \$550. The top range for Public Health Nurse I will remain at \$600 but the new category Public Health Nurse II, will have a salary range of \$587 to \$645. The starting salary for graduate nurses will be from \$440 to \$480 under this proposal.

Mr. Rowlands explained that the adjustment will indicate a 5 percent wage boost for most of the nurses. With fringe benefits taken into consideration, the salaries of the City and County nurses will be in line with other nursing salaries paid in the area.

The ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 18225

Establishing the land disposition policy for Urban Renewal Projects now in existence and those which may be undertaken in the future and adding Chapter 14.96 to the official code and repealing Ordinances No. 16921 and 17047.

Mr. Rowlands explained that he would like to call Council's attention to a few matters that have transpired. Approximately two years ago when the Downtown New Tacoma Project was started the staff met with the members of the downtown group, the Central Association and others, and at that time there was an interest in the establishment of what is known as the Design Review Board. Inasmuch as the property owners and merchants are to be deeply involved financially in the downtown program, the staff is now submitting to the Council their recommendation in the form of an ordinance. Mr. Rowlands said it has been suggested that the Ordinance be amended on Page 2, Section 14.06.020-- 10th line down, that the number twelve be changed to eleven. There have also been some other suggestions, that in addition to representatives from architectural and professional engineering fields the words, businessmen and property owners should be included. This ordinance has been geared for the New Tacoma Project only.

Dr. Herrmann asked why the fields have to be specified for the Board.

Mr. Rowlands remarked, the thought at the time was that the staff should have some liaison with these groups as they will be involved in the design, appearances and for the downtown development, etc., plus the financial requirements. He felt this was the consensus of opinion when the City Council discussed the matter approximately a year ago.

Mr. Haley felt the Civic Arts Commission should also be involved in this project.

Mayor Tollefson suggested that they could include a member of the Civic Arts Commission of Tacoma-Pierce County in the ordinance.

Mr. Hilby asked if a motion was needed to amend the ordinance. Mayor Tollefson thought just a redraft was necessary for this section for the next meeting of the Council.

Mr. Finnigan inquired what the procedure would be to notify these property owners that would be involved. Will they have to submit their proposals to the review board and then adjust their proposals before they could complete their plans of development.

Mayor Tollefson felt that all plans would be similar rather than many different types of architecture.

Mr. Corey Richmond, Urban Renewal Director, explained at the time a person makes a bid for a piece of property he is fully informed that it will be subject to the review board. In the bid itself only a sketch is required, a detailed drawing does not have to be included.

Mr. Rowlands explained that the Downtown Group wanted to be sure to be heard by someone who they could review and explain their plans as they felt the City staff would probably be too rigid. They felt they would have a better hearing from a design review board.

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, explained that any recommended modified plan is submitted to the City Council for their final determination. This, however, applies only to the Urban Renewal projects.

The ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 18226

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the official code by adding a new section 13.06.130-39 to include property on the south side of So. 12th St. between Pine & Junett in a "C-2" District. (petitioned by the Peerless Laundry)

Mr. Johnson stated he still felt as he did last week, that this business should not be opened to the requirements of a "C-2" zoning. He asked Mr. McCormick if anything else could be done to accomplish this.

Mr. McCormick remarked that it was his impression that this is the only legal way that Mr. Hudson's plans could be put into effect.

Mr. Johnson said he understood that the unloading of the trucks that are in full view of property owners on Junett St. has been one of the objections. He wondered if Mr. Hudson could arrange for the trucks to be unloaded in the parking lot.

Mr. Honeywell, attorney for the petitioner, stated the trucks could be moved if there was space available. He added, they could be unloaded at the rear of the new portion of the building. He understood they were not to load on the Junett Street side.

Mr. Rowlands suggested that a letter stating these facts from Mr. Honeywell would be in order.

Mayor Tollefson said he did not believe a letter is required as it was a voluntary statement at last week's meeting as to where the trucks would be loading. Furthermore, in a "C-2" zoning, it calls for certain off-street parking and in this facility, perhaps, the one across the alley will have to be used in order to accommodate the building and the customers.

Mr. Buehler, Director of Planning, stated, the applicant's plans call for additional off-street loading and parking areas, and normally the staff requests a letter of intent stating the petitioner will accomplish the requirements that the Council has requested.

Mayor Tollefson said the Council would request a letter from Mr. Hudson stating that the parking lot to the rear will be made available as soon as possible, and that Mr. Hudson's intention is to remove the house and not to destroy it, which is now on the property.

Mr. Buehler suggested that the letter also state that Mr. Hudson has some type of an air pollution control system in his plant.

Mr. Honeywell stated that a letter would be submitted before the final reading of the ordinance.

The ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 18224

Amending subsection A. 30 of section 13.06.290 & subsection A. 4 of section 13.06.310 of the official code to include all Laundries in a "C-2" District. (Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment)

Mr. Finnigan said he didn't think that placing all laundries under a "C-2" zoning district is correct. He felt the Council should consider each application on its own merit.

Mr. Buehler explained, since the cleaning and pressing establishments as well as self-service laundries are presently permitted in the "C-2" District, and that laundries are comparable to such uses, they should also be included in the "C-2" use regulations.

Roll call was taken on the ordinance, resulting as follows:

Ayes 5; Nays 3, Cvitanich, Finnigan and Johnson. Absent 1, Murtland.
The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Director of Public Works presents the following assessments for hearing:

- a. L I D 3616 for sanitary sewers on So. 12th from Mildred to Vassault.
- b. L I D 4727 for paving on So. 12th from Highland to Jackson Ave.
- c. L I D 4790 for paving on Ferry from So. 43rd to So. 48th.
- d. L I D 6856 for lighting on Shirley & Winnifred from 6th Ave. to So. 11th, etc.

Mr. Haley moved that Monday, March 27, 1967 at 4:00 P. M. be set as the date for hearing on the above assessment rolls. Seconded by Mrs. Price. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Report from the City Planning Dept. for the month of January 1967.
- b. Report from the Municipal Court during the month of January 1966 and 1967.
- c. Personnel report for the month of December 1966.

COMMENTS:

Mr. Rowlands reported, since his trip to California and Oregon he is more of the opinion that the State Legislature should find some means to help the cities. California and Oregon are given a portion of the sales tax, therefore, the cities are able to issue their own bonds at a better rate of interest. This is approved by the vote of the people as it does not affect their property tax levy, and as a result tremendous improvements are made. It is gratifying to note that in some areas the cities are getting their fair share. 5 9-30 d

Mr. Cvitanich stated, since he attended the meeting of the Puget Sound Governmental Conference in Seattle, he has changed his mind on the program relative to the City acting on a local level for the control of air pollution. He said he felt the \$28,000 the City has budgeted for this control should go toward a regional survey.

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Mr. Rowlands said, while in California last week he had learned that the anti-smog devices installed on vehicles are taking care of only eight or nine percent of the pollution from this source. The worst offenders seem to be large inter-state trucks and buses. He added, while the regional survey is going forward, the City will still work with local plants in an effort to alleviate some of the most obvious local problems.

Mr. Cvitanich stated that industry is concerned and that the Air Resources Council has done a good job.

Mr. Haley explained that industry is concerned mainly because of governmental pressure. He felt the City should still continue to develop their own plan of action. However, that does not mean that Tacoma cannot cooperate regionally. The City could still do some sampling of their own without spending a monumental sum of money.

Dr. Herrmann felt that most industries recognize their responsibility to the community.

Mayor Tollefson remarked that the regional concept is appreciated but most progress has come through some prodding, primarily from the general public, and the City has to be the moving force. He wondered if the City could explore the possibility of setting up an experimental station in this area. He suggested that an ordinance be drafted on pollution control which would be very rigid.

Mr. Rowlands remarked that the City has to have a criteria and felt there must be at least County-wide control.

Mr. Bott suggested that the Council appeal to the Utility Board to have the City's utility meter readers in uniform. He noted that plainclothes meter readers frequently startle the householders as they may be mistaken for a prowler.

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Mayor Tollefson announced the 3rd Annual Legislative Conference of the National League of Cities will be held in Washington, D. C. on March 12th through March 14, 1967. He hoped that some of the Council members would be able to attend.

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There being no further business to come before the Council, upon motion duly seconded and passed, the meeting adjourned at 5:35 P. M.

JAM Tollefson
Mayor of the City Council

Attest: Louphine Metton
City Clerk