

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
Tuesday, December 3, 1968

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Rasmussen at 4 P. M. Present on roll call 7: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen. Absent 2: Finnigan and Herrmann.

The Flag Salute was led by Mr. Cvitanich.

Mrs. Banfield asked that the minutes of the meeting of Nov. 19th, 1968 be checked on Page 8, 3rd paragraph on the comment where she mentioned that refrigerators are 'set out' in parking lots rather than 'sold' out of parking lots.

Mr. Cvitanich moved that the minutes of the meeting of Nov. 19th, 1968 be approved as corrected. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Mayor Rasmussen presented five and ten year Safe Driver Awards to various employees from the Public Works, Police and Fire Departments.

Mayor Rasmussen, Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, and members of the City Council congratulated the recipients for their safe driving record over the years.

Mayor Rasmussen introduced Mayor Joe Vraves of Fife, Washington who asked to speak to the City Council relative to the sewer contract with Tacoma.

Mayor Vraves asked that the City Council consider changing the Town of Fife's sewer contract with Tacoma to allow them to extend its service to South King County and hookup to a new housing development. Mayor Vraves suggested that the agreement, approved on July 20th, 1965, be amended to include the land adjacent to the Town of Fife so that the Lakehaven Development Co. can develop the land.

He said the inclusion of this additional area of service will prove to be advantageous for both Tacoma and Fife.

Mr. Cvitanich asked that an analysis from the City's staff be made before any action is taken on this matter.

Mr. Johnson asked Mayor Vraves if the homes are to be erected on the assumption they could connect to the Fife sewer system.

Mayor Vraves explained they have made no promises, but it was his understanding they thought they might have to use some alternate system.

Mr. Anderson, City Engineer, explained that from an engineering standpoint the development of the sewer was a good plan, however, from an economic standpoint and how it would effect the City of Tacoma, would be a determination that has to be made by the City Council.

Mayor Rasmussen asked if the Council amended the original agreement, would it be possible to place an extra charge in the agreement as the City would be serving areas outside of the original agreement.

Mayor Vraves felt that the cost would have to be negotiated with the Lakehaven Sewer District.

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Mayor Rasmussen said from the engineering standpoint it would be logical, therefore, he felt the Council should try to make it feasible by whatever charges would be proper.

Mr. Cvitanich felt the Council must obtain more information relative to the cost estimates from the City's engineers, from terms of the City's population growth within the community and terms of future projection.

Mr. Johnson asked if the City has additional property to construct an additional treatment plant at the site of the Sewage Treatment Plant that processes the Fife sewage.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, explained additional property would have to be obtained one of the reasons for the delay in this request is the fact that there is a Pierce County sewer study that should be completed by February, as well as the fact that to build a new treatment plant would require more land than the City has at present. He suggested that this be brought up at a study session on December 16th.

Mayor Vraves stated, they had been asked by the Pollution Control Board to find out if this plan was feasible. He added, a vote on the matter this evening would be appreciated.

Mayor Vraves stated their engineer is present and he would answer any questions the Council might ask.

Mr. Sleavin, Engineer, informed the Council that the first stage of the Kennedy report has been completed for Pierce County. This is the stage that will affect this particular basin. The second stage affects other areas in Pierce County. He added, basically it calls for a large trunk to feed the new area which would then connect in the general area of the present treatment plant. The Kennedy report calls for a central treatment plant so eventually a larger trunk will have to be installed to serve this basin. He noted that the Lakehaven Development is willing to pay for an eighteen inch line from the present twelve inch line into their area. They felt that a change in the agreement would allow this new area to start developing.

Mayor Rasmussen asked Mr. Rowlands to look into the matter of financial feasibility and report to the Council at a study session.

HEARINGS & APPEALS:

This is the date set for hearing for Offstreet Parking Space Standards.

Mr. Buehler, Director of Planning, explained that the proposed ordinance relative to offstreet parking space standards would update the standards to meet the increase that is necessary in the various developments that have taken place. It is also contemplated to work into the ordinance to consolidate the offstreet parking into one section. He noted that bonus incentives have been built into the new regulations to encourage businessmen to build joint parking areas.

Mr. Buehler informed the Council that the standards have been reviewed with interested parties and endorsed by the Urban Affairs Committee, Board of Tacoma-Pierce County Realtors and the American Institute of Architects, Southwest Wash. Chapter. These organizations felt these standards were very acceptable.

Mr. Murtland observing the standards as set forth in the proposed ordinance, thought 2.5 offstreet parking spaces per 1,000 square feet of gross floor area was low. He added, in some cases, buildings of 1,000 square feet or less have four full time employees who would park each day, therefore, leaving no area for customer parking. Consequently, Mr. Murtland felt that more parking area should be allotted for customer parking for business offices.

Mr. Cvitanich questioned whether a suggested standard for high school parking areas with one stall for every three pupils, would be adequate.

Mr. Buehler said he would be glad to bring more information to the Council on these particular categories.

Mr. Bott inquired what would be the requirements of the proposed convention center.

Mr. Buehler stated, this would be under a special use. He added, if there should be a multiple use, as a hotel, auditorium, restaurant, etc., it would be a combined use of these standards.

Mayor Rasmussen thought there would be underground parking at this site.

Mr. Cvitanich moved to continue this hearing for two weeks, until Dec. 17th, 1968. Seconded by Mrs. Banfield. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 19950

Authorizing the sale of salvage items to various bidders.

Mr. Cvitanich moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Banfield.

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

Ayes 7: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.

Nays 0: Absent 2: Finnigan and Herrmann.

The Resolution was declared passed by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 19951

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the State Highway Commission to relocate certain facilities within the limits of Primary State Highway No. 1 between the City limits and the King County line.

Mrs. Banfield moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

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

Ayes 7: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.

Nays 0: Absent 2, Finnigan and Herrmann.

The Resolution was declared passed by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 19952

Fixing Thursday, December 26, 1968 at 4 P. M. as the date for hearing for the vacation of the air space above the east side of Commerce St. and the west side of Pacific Ave. (petition of Dean Witter & Commonwealth Title Co.)

Mr. Cvitanich moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Johnson.

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

Ayes 7: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.

Nays 0: Absent 2; Finnigan and Herrmann.

The Resolution was declared passed by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 19953

Awarding the bid for the official City printing to the Tacoma Daily Index for the calendar year 1969.

Mrs. Banfield moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

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

Ayes 7: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.

Nays 0: Absent 2; Finnigan and Herrmann.

The Resolution was declared passed by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 19954

Appropriating the sum of \$12,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the 1963 Storm Drain Construction Fund for the purpose of building and constructing a new outfall structure in Garfield Gulch.

Mr. Cvitanich moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Banfield.

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

Ayes 7: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.

Nays 0: Absent 2; Finnigan and Herrmann.

The Resolution was declared passed by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 19955

Authorizing the execution of an agreement between the City of Tacoma and Pierce County providing for a joint construction and financing of a storm drainage system to alleviate flooding conditions in both the City of Tacoma and the County of Pierce.

Mr. Cvitanich moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Banfield.

Mr. Robert Anderson, City Engineer, explained this agreement between the City of Tacoma and Pierce County for joint construction and financing of a storm-drainage system near the Freeway, from So. 96th and Ainsworth and So. 92nd and Alaska is to alleviate flooding conditions over a 4,350 acre area. The storm sewer line to connect with the City's trunk system will be constructed by Pierce County.

Mr. Cvitanich asked if there was a penalty clause in the agreement, if violated.

Mr. Anderson explained, there is no penalty clause in the contract as they would hope that the two municipalities would be able to work any problems out in a satisfactory manner.

Mr. Cvitanich felt this should be resolved at this time.

Mr. Anderson said, if the Council wishes such a clause in the agreement it

could be inserted, however, the State Health Dept. and Pollution Control Commission inspectors would be in close contact with this also.

Mr. Robert Hamilton, City Attorney, felt since the City and the County have agreed to abide by certain terms and conditions, and if any breach of those conditions might give rise to a cause for damages that would ensue, it would be very difficult to attach a clause that would be satisfactory.

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

Ayes 7: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.

Nays 0: Absent 2: Finnigan and Herrmann.

The Resolution was declared passed by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 19956

Reappointing Mrs. Margaret Edwards and Councilman M. S. Finnigan to a full three year term to the Human Relations Commission.

Mr. Cvitanich moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Banfield.

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

Ayes 7: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.

Nays 0: Absent 2: Finnigan and Herrmann.

The Resolution was declared passed by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 19957

Appointing Mr. Willie Stewart, Mr. Francis X Hoban & Mike Sambrano to a three year term to the Human Relations Commission.

Mrs. Banfield moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

Mr. Johnson moved that Substitute Resolution No. 19957 be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Bott.

Mayor Rasmussen explained that he had suggested Mike Sambrano of the Mexican-American community to be appointed to the Human Relations Commission for a three year term, as well as Willie Stewart and Francis X. Hoban. The substitute resolution submitted contains the names of Willie Stewart, Francis X. Hoban and Dr. George A. Tanbara. He noted that Dr. Tanbara has served very well and capably on the Commission but he did feel that Mr. Sambrano would also serve well and capably.

Mr. Murtland felt since Dr. Tanbara had been on the Commission for only one year, and has expressed an interest in continuing, he was well qualified and should be given the opportunity to continue on the Commission.

Mr. Bott felt that Dr. Tanbara is an outstanding man, a member of a minority race and he thought he should be appointed to the three year term.

Voice vote was taken on the adoption of the substitute resolution. Ayes 3: Bott, Johnson and Murtland. Nays 4: Banfield, Cvitanich, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen. Absent 2: Finnigan and Herrmann. Motion Lost.

Voice vote was taken on the original Resolution No. 19957. Ayes 4: Banfield, Cvitanich, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen. Nays 3: Bott, Johnson and Murtland. Absent 2: Finnigan and Herrmann. Motion failed as five votes are required to pass a resolution.

Mr. Bott asked if he could change his vote to 'Aye' so that the resolution can be considered again at the next Council meeting.

Mayor Rasmussen explained, Mr. Bott could change his vote at this time if he wishes. After some discussion Mayor Rasmussen declared the Resolution passed.

Ayes 5: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.

Nays 2: Johnson and Murtland. Absent 2: Finnigan and Herrmann.

The Resolution was declared passed by the Chairman.

Mr. Bott requested that the legal department draft an ordinance to expand the Human Relations Commission from thirteen to fifteen members, to be presented at the Council meeting on December 17th.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 18691

Providing for the issuance and sale of General Obligation Bonds of the City in the total principal sum of \$4,000,000 for the purpose of providing part of all of the moneys necessary to make certain capital improvements of the City.

The ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 18692

Authorizing the transfer of \$8,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the General Fund to the Tacoma Municipal Transit System Fund for the purpose of paying additional costs of ten diesel 51-passenger buses for the Transit System.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, discussed the advantages and disadvantages of purchasing ten new General Motors, 51-passenger diesel buses or the Flexible buses.

Mr. Douglas Hendry, Director of Transit, explained if this Flexible type of bus is added to the fleet the Department would have three makes of buses and that additional inventory would be required. He noted that General Motors promises three months faster delivery.

The ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 18693

Authorizing the condemnation of property necessary to construct, reconstruct and widen Union Ave. from So. 7th to a point midway between No. 7th and No. 8th Sts. under Improvement No. 4842.

Mr. Robert Anderson, City Engineer, explained this ordinance is relative to land acquisition necessary to widen Union Ave. from So. 7th to a point midway between No. 7th and No. 8th St. under the urban arterial improvement project involving 6th Ave. and Union Ave.

The ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 18694

Appropriating the sum of \$75,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the General Fund for the purpose of improving certain new park or open spaces located generally on So. I St. between So. 14th & 15th Streets.

Mayor Rasmussen moved that in the second paragraph, 4th line down, that the words, "located generally on South I Street between South 14th and South 15th Streets, and" be deleted from that paragraph. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. No vote was taken.

Mr. Johnson felt that appropriating funds for land that the City does not own is premature. He felt the ordinance should be removed from the agenda and brought back if and when the land is acquired.

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Mayor Rasmussen felt the ordinance was necessary to back up the City's application for federal-state grants to purchase the land.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, said that money for development of the site would possibly be available in federal grants through the Model Cities program.

After some discussion, Mayor Rasmussen moved that Ordinance No. 18694 be removed from the agenda. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

The ordinance was removed from the agenda.

Ordinance No. 18695

Vacating the alley between 26th St. N. E. & 25th St. N. E. & between 62nd Ave. N. E. & 64th Ave. N. E.

The ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 18679

Amending Title 13 of the official code relative to Zoning Ordinance Text changes for Apts. in an "R-3-PRD" and reduction of the required setback for a Canopy in a "C-F-P" District.

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

Ayes 7: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
Nays 0: Absent 2: Finnigan and Herrmann.
The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18680

Providing for the improvement of L I D 5463 for water mains in 141st St. East from cul-de-sac west of 126th Ave. to 127th Ave. East and other nearby streets.

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

Ayes 7: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
Nays 0: Absent 2: Finnigan and Herrmann.
The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18681

Providing for the improvement of L I D 5470 for water mains in 35th St. N. E. from Browns Pt. Blvd. to 49th Ave. N. E. and in 48th Ave. N. E. from 35th St. N.E. south to the cul-de-sac.

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

Ayes 7: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
Nays 0: Absent 2: Finnigan and Herrmann.
The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18682

Providing for the improvement of L I D 3675 for sanitary sewers on So. Mullen from Center St. to So. 31st Street.

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

Ayes 7: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
Nays 0: Absent 2: Finnigan and Herrmann.
The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18683

Providing for the improvement of L I D 4856 for paving on East 59th from East F to East G and other streets.

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

Ayes 7: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
Nays 0: Absent 2: Finnigan and Herrmann.
The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18684

Providing for the improvement of L I D 6906 for street lighting on No. Villard from No. 31st St. to No. 37th and other nearby streets.

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

Ayes 7: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
Nays 0: Absent 2: Finnigan and Herrmann.
The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18685

Providing for the improvement of L I D 6908 for street lighting on 57th Ave. N. E. from 29th St. N. E. to 31st St. N. E. and other nearby streets.

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

Ayes 7: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
Nays 0: Absent 2: Finnigan and Herrmann.
The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18686

Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L I D 6882 for street lighting on Thompson Ave. to So. M and other nearby streets.

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

Ayes 7: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
Nays 0: Absent 2: Finnigan and Herrmann.
The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18687

Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L I D 3663 for sanitary sewers in the vicinity of No. 12th & Pearl Street. (Westgate-6th Addition)

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

Ayes 7: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
Nays 0: Absent 2: Finnigan and Herrmann.
The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18688

Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L I D 4805 for paving and storm drainage on So. 43rd from Hosmer to Wilkeson; East 50th from A to East B and other nearby streets.

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

Ayes 7: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
Nays 0: Absent 2: Finnigan and Herrmann.
The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18689

Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L I D 4815 for paving on Cushman from So. 51st to 53rd; Montgomery from So. 72nd to 74th; I St. from So. 83rd to So. 84th and So. 83rd from Yakima Ave. to I Street.

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

Ayes 7: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
Nays 0: Absent 2: Finnigan and Herrmann.
The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18690

Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L I D 4816 for paving on So. 17th from Cushman to Ainsworth; and alley paving between M & Sheridan from So. 19th to So. 21st and between J & K Streets.

Mr. Cvitanich, a member of the L I D Committee explained, since the alley has been paved, two property owners claim that they have been land-locked even though the zone and termini method of assessment did apply. It was the recommendation of the L I D Committee that the Council as a whole should make a determination.

Mr. Cvitanich brought up that on Sept. of 1967 a similar circumstance had arisen at the Council meeting and the Council had determined that the property owner should not be assessed for the improvement as he was not receiving any benefit. He felt the Council had established a precedent.

Mr. Robert Anderson, City Engineer, explained that these property owners under this ordinance have benefits even though they do not abut the alley. The zone and termini method gives the property owner abutting the alley a much higher assessment than one who does not, and it also recognizes the fact that the alley is a community benefit which in general increases the value over the total neighborhood.

Mr. Hamilton, City Attorney, explained that the question before the Council at this time is to determine whether or not in the judgment of the Council if the fair cash market value of the property has been increased by at least the amount of the assessment as a direct result of this improvement.

A number of Councilmen felt it was no more than fair that there should be some assessment and that the Council should not set a definite precedent that they would have to uphold.

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

Ayes 6: Banfield, Bott, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.

Nays 1: Cvitanich. Absent 2: Finnigan and Herrmann.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Director of Public Works presents the assessment roll for the cost of L I D 3650 for sanitary sewers in Huson from Center to So. 30th St.

Mrs. Banfield moved that Monday, Jan. 13th, 1969 be set as the date for hearing of the above assessment roll. Seconded by Mr. Murtland. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Mayor Rasmussen asked that Mr. Anderson, City Engineer, check into an L I D which was petitioned in the area of So. 10th and Steele St. as property owners have complained that the paving has never been completed. He also mentioned that a complaint had been received from a property owner in the vicinity of No. 7th and Proctor who stated they had petitioned for street lights two years ago and nothing has been done relative to the request.

Mr. Anderson said he would check on the matters.

Mayor Rasmussen moved that the Council reconsider the vote by which the Council adopted the motion to secure grants from the State of Washington and the United States Government to acquire land for open space purposes near I St. between So. 14th and 15th Streets. Seconded by Mrs. Banfield. Roll call was taken, resulting as follows: Ayes 3: Banfield, Cvitanich and Mayor Rasmussen. Nays 3: Johnson, Murtland and Zatkovich. Absent 3: Finnigan, Herrmann and Bott (temporarily). Motion Lost.

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Mr. Cvitanich mentioned he had read where a Seattle firm is taking over Tide-Air, Inc. at the Tacoma Industrial Airport. He asked if any Council member has heard anything regarding this matter.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, explained, the staff does not know the financial details, however, he had talked with Mr. Whinery, Jr. today and Clifford Sylvia is in the process of taking over the TideAir operation.

Mr. Cvitanich urged that the City Council discuss this matter thoroughly as he felt Mr. Whinery had violated the contract with the City of Tacoma as the fixed base operator at Tacoma Industrial Airport. He also said he did not think sufficient time was given to discuss the proposition that Mr. King presented, who represented the Flightcraft Co, who was also interested in taking over the TideAir operation. 240

Mayor Rasmussen stated that Mr. Hamilton, City Attorney, had prepared an opinion as to whether or not TideAir Inc. has violated the contract conditions.

Mayor Rasmussen said that Mr. Sylvia has agreed to meet with the Council on December 16th at a study session and he has indicated he would be agreeable to some changes in the contract.

Mr. Hamilton, City Attorney, explained this was a change of stock ownership, the corporate structure, TideAir Inc. is still the fixed base operator. The City's contract originally was with the corporation, not Mr. Whinery individually.

Mayor Rasmussen explained that he has had Mr. Hamilton prepare an opinion to be submitted to the Council for their perusal concerning the new Civic Center Development.

Mayor Rasmussen stated the City Council has been invited to attend the Pearl Harbor Day ceremonies at Mt. View Memorial Park at 3 P. M. on Dec. 7th. He asked that Deputy Mayor Bott attend to represent the City Council.

Mayor Rasmussen requested that Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, direct Mr. McLennan, Director of Tax & License, to take steps to collect the delinquent taxes for charitable organizations within the City. He also asked that copies of letters sent to these organizations regarding their delinquent taxes be submitted to the Council. Along with this information, also that the Council be informed of the date of filing of their registration form for the particular organizations that are involved. 264 + 296

Mrs. Banfield moved that the Council meet with the Park Board for a discussion concerning the open space property at So. 14th and I Sts. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

Mrs. Banfield felt the Council had overstepped their bounds by not inquiring as to whether the Park Board desires a project in the area.

Mayor Rasmussen explained this was why he had asked for a reconsideration of the vote to secure grants for open space purposes near I St. between So. 14th and 15th Sts. He thought that the grant application might be filed in the name of the Metropolitan Park District instead of the City of Tacoma. 281

Mr. Johnson felt it was a good idea to meet with the Park Board and Planning officials, however, he did not believe the Council had overstepped its authority as the City provides money for support of the Park District.

Mrs. Banfield felt if the City is going to involve itself in acquiring open space for churches and apartments, it will discourage private enterprise from securing property for parkways for their buildings.

Voice vote was taken on Mrs. Banfield's motion to meet with the Park Board. Motion carried.

COMMENTS BY THE CITY COUNCIL:

Mr. Zatkovich explained that at the American Legion National Convention a resolution was adopted condemning the Students for a Democratic Society for exerting a subversive influence on the young people in our nation, particularly encouraging evasion of the draft laws of our land and open defiance of the law.

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Mr. Johnson stated, that FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover had release a report some months ago, stating that the schools would become a battleground and that the SDS is one of the organizations responsible for such trouble.

Mr. Cvitanich was extremely pleased with his own stand against the Students for a Democratic Society.

Mayor Rasmussen warned that students who allow their names on questionable membership lists could have a record against them all their lives, and find it difficult to obtain employment.

Mrs. Banfield asked that an ordinance be drafted appropriating funds for lapel microphones for the City Council.

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Mayor Rasmussen stated he has had numerous calls from property owners complaining about the windshield survey recommendations made by the housing improvement inspectors, that their buildings were badly in need of repairs, and when they were rechecked, it was found that the buildings needed only minor repairs.

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Mayor Rasmussen said Ron Button, Bldg. Inspector, advised him he would contact the inspectors and review their duties.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Dennis Coffey, President of the German Club at Mount Tahoma High School explained their Club wished to raise funds for a trip to Europe this coming summer. He added, the students would be willing to do any type of work to earn money to help pay their expenses for the trip.

Mr. Cvitanich felt the citizens of the City should hire these fine students for any extra jobs to help them with their expenses for the trip to Europe.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of the Park Board Commissioners for Nov. 18, 1968.
 - b. Minutes of City Council Study Session of Nov. 22, 1968.
 - c. Minutes of the City Planning Commission for Nov. 18 & 25, 1968.
 - d. Report from the Tacoma Employees' Retirement System for Nov. 1968.
 - e. Report from the Light, Water & Belt Line Division for the month of Oct. 1968
- Placed on file.

Mayor Rasmussen asked Mr. VanCamp, Civil Service League Representative, if he has had time to check to see who should be omitted from the classified civil service list.

Mr. VanCamp stated a complete meeting had not been scheduled as yet.

Mr. Zatkovich stated a meeting will be scheduled soon but, so far, just a brief discussion had been held.

Mr. Cvitanich moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Mrs. Banfield. Voice vote was taken. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 P. M.

A. L. Rasmussen
MAYOR

Attest: Josephine Melton
City Clerk