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City Council Chambers, 4:00 P. M. Tresday, January 9th, 1958 195

Council met in regular session. Present on roll call 8: Banfield, Bott, Finnigan, Herrmann, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen. Absent 1: Cvitanich. Mr. Cvitanich arriving at 4:25 P. M.

Mr. Murtland moved that the minutes of the meeting of Dec. 26th, 1967 be approved as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Before proceeding with the regular agenda Mrs. Banfield wanted to know how State Representative Ted Bottiger, a non-City resident, could say that the majority of the people favored a Model Cities program. She felt this is one of the most vicious pieces of legislation that has ever been passed. She added, she had campaigned against the program because it would take away property rights and place people in danger of losing their homes.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, explained that Mr. Bottiger was expressing a personal opinion in his talk.

Mayor Rasmussen commented that he had asked Mr. Rowlands for a full report regarding the selection of Mr. Bottiger to attend a recent Washington D. C. symposium of the National Institute of Public Affairs.

Mr. Richmond, Urban Renewal Director, said that urban renewal definitely was one of a number of resource tools used in Model Cities project, however, he would not say that the program endangered the rights of homeowners.

HEARINGS & APPEALS:

a. This is the date set for hearing for the vacation of the alley between Sprague Ave. and Ferry Street from So. Tacoma Way north to the P. S. H. #14 right of way, submitted by <u>Steiner-American Corporation</u>.

Mr. Buehler, Director of Planning, explained that no objections were voiced at the Planning Commission hearing and the Commission felt it should be approved subject to the conditions agreed upon by the various departments.

Mr. James Mason, Attorney representing the petitioner, stated this situation has arisen out of the construction of the Nalley Valley Freeway as the freeway has cut across the petitioner's property and has created a sub-alley next to the property. The petitioner is interested in having the alley vacated so their dry cleaning plant can be extended. They have agreed to comply to the conditions that the Planning Commission has recommended.

No protests being made, Mr. Finnigan moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the vacation and that an ordinance be drafted approving same. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

b. This is the date set for hearing for the rezoning of the N. E. corner of So. 23rd & Sheridan Ave. from an "R-3" to a "C-2" District, submitted by <u>L.Ray Scott</u>.

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Mr. Buehler explained that the petitioner proposes to operate a mortuary in this building. He proposes to remodel the existing non-conforming commercial structure and supply off-street parking for the establishment.

Mr. Bott requested that a letter of intent or an agreement be instituted between Mr. Scott and the City stating that the building would be completed within a year.

Mr. Buehler said that a letter of intent will be drafted and filed prior to the final passage of the ordinance.

No protests being made, Mr. Bott moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the rezone and that an ordinance be drafted approving same. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

c. This is the date set for hearing for the rezoning of the west side of Orchard St. and between No. 8th extended and No. 9th St. from an "R-2" to an "R-3" District, submitted by <u>Elsie M. Westbrook</u>.

Mr. Buehler stated the applicant has requested the reclassification in order to construct two duplexes. Since the depth of this site is shallow, it would be difficult and somewhat undesirable to develop for single-family homes.

Mayor Rasmussen asked how difficult would it be to present to the Council aerial photographs of rezone areas, rather than a small map that is now being used.

Mr. Buehler felt it would be more difficult as they are very hard to read because they are only 1 to 400 scale and much smaller. These maps shown are on a 1 to 200 scale and much easier to read.

No protests being made, Dr. Herrmann moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the rezone and that an ordinance be drafted approving same. Seconded by Mr. Bott. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

d. This is the date for hearing on the appeal filed by <u>James M. Cronen</u>, on the denial of the request for rezoning of the south side of So. 72nd St. between Ash and Alaska Sts. from an "R-4-L" to an "R-2" District.

Mr. Buehler explained this property is on the scuth side of So. 72nd St. between Alaska and Ash St. which has recently been rezoned to an "R-4-L" at the request of Mr. Edward Brenden, et al. The Planning Commission at its meeting of Dec. 18th, 1967 has recommended denial of this rezoning petition for a reclassification to an "R-2" District. He added, there is a traffic problem on Alaska St. and 76th which needs study.

Mr. Finnigan asked if this property were reverted back to an "R-2" zoning, what would be the situation with the owner of the property and the developer, under their "R-4-L" zoning.

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, explained the legal problem that probably would arise concerns the fact that the property was zoned for an apartment development in November 1967, and the City might be subjected to a suit because there was a question whether the Council legally could rezone a property so soon after the first rezoning. He also believed the developer has the legal right to build on the site despite any new action.

Mr. Finnigan asked if this is rezoned back to an "R-2", would the City be liable in any respect.

Mr. McCormick felt the City Council would not be liable, but he felt they would probably be subjected to a suit to restrain them from rezoning it back. The presumption is that the Council will use their best judgment and if they do that, the Council should not be held liable for that reason.

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Mr. McCormick further stated, he questioned very much if the Council has the right but the Supreme Court of the State of Washington has not determined that fact.

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Mr. Zatkovich felt with all the people involved in this rezone, more consideration should be given by the Council to the petitioner.

Mr. Keith McGoffin, attorney for Mr. Brenden, explained his client intended to proceed with construction and said Mr. Brenden has already filed for a building permit. He also said some site preparation was taking place.

Mr. Cronen, petitioner, explained he had 95 signatures requesting an "R-2" rezone. He felt the four-story apartment building being planned is entirely out of line. There is an extreme traffic problem that now exists in the area, and with a large apartment building as planned, the traffic would triple.

Mrs. Carmichael, a property owner in the area, inquired relative to the process of filing plans for a building permit.

Mr. Schuster, Director of Fublic Works, explained, when his department receives a set of plans for a building and the fee is paid for a building permit, they are sent to the Building Division to see that they conform to various regulations that are in effect. Often times there are changes made when the plans come into the Building Division relative to driveways, location of storm drains, utilities, etc., which are quite common in any plans submitted.

Mr. Johnson moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission to deny the request for rezoning of the above property to an "R-2" District. Seconded by Mr. Murtland. Roll call was taken. Ayes 4: Nayes 5: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen. MOTION LOST.

Mr. Cvitanich moved to overrule the recommendation of the Planning Commission and that the request be granted and an ordinance be drafted rezoning same. Seconded by Mr. Zatkovich. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

e. The City Planning Commission recommending denial of the petition submitted by Conrad Schick, et al for rezoning of the west side of Mullen St. between So. 10th extended and So. 12th St. from an "R-2" to an "R-3-PRD and R-4-L" District.

An appeal was filed by the petitioner and the suggested date for hearing is February 13, 1968.

Mr. Bott moved that Feb. 13th, 1968 be set as the date of hearing on the above denial. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote taken. Mction carried.

RESOLUTIONS :

Resolution No. 19512 (postponed from the meeting of December 26th, 1967)

Accepting the offer to sell real property in the Urban Renewal area Wash. R-14 to the Tacoma Sportmen's Association, Inc.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Murtland.

Mr. Zatkovich asked if the tenants had been contacted in regard to this sale.

Mr. Richmond, Urban Renewal Director, stated his staff had contacted all of the tenants and informed them of their rights.

Mr. Zatkovich said he had talked to a tenant in the Sportsmen's Bldg. who had insisted he had not been contacted by an urban renewal representative and that the tenant had to seek information on his own.

Mr. Richmond noted that urban reneval procedure calls for notifying all persons concerned that their area had been included in an urban reneval project. He informed the Council that a meeting had been held at the Winthrop Hotel one and one-half years

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ago with 120 people in attendance. They also had in attendance Small Business Adminiscration representatives who could advise them on financial matters. He added, when conants move from the building their expenses for relocation are paid by the Urban Conewal Dept. The owner of a structure negotiates the lease-hold leases with the conants, because the value of the lease is reflected in what Urban Renewal pays for the property. He also mentioned that an economic value is established whether conant is in a building or has moved out.

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Mr. Zatkovich was critical of what he termed the improper method in which inants of the Todd Building had been handled as the tenants had not been notified by the City on the advice of the owners.

Mr. Richmond maintained he has followed established procedures and remarked that some cities have put up extra funds to help persons adversely affected by oban Renewal. He further stated the three story building which the City is buythey will be used as a park-type open space in connection with one of the two protacted Pecific-Commerce parking garages.

Mayor Rasmussen asked about air-right of building, particularly the Rust Bldg. as it had purchased the air rights above the Todd Bldg.

Mr. Richmond stated this was constituted as an easement above the fifth story. Mayor Rasmussen asked if the County assessor assesses air rights.

Mr. Richmond stated he had checked on that matter and he was informed that they did not have any air -right policy in the County.

Mayor Rassussen informed the Council that just recently air rights were leased for several hundred million dollars over railroad tracks. Air rights are becoming exceedingly valuable, and they should be taxable.

Mr. McCorwick explained that the brief which was submitted to the Supreme Court stated that when the City bought the property from the Todd Estate, the Commonwealth Title Co. and from the other owners, the City bought the title in fee simple, which means, that the City bought everything, including air rights. One of the conditions of the agreement of the Downtown Corporation, was they would offer a certain proposal as a bid; the reason for that is, in the event the City accepted their bid, it would be a valid bonafide bid; thereby they would have their participation in the cost of the entire project from these garages. The property for the garage site will have to be put up for public bidding under the State Law and anyone has a right to bid on it, providing it is used for the purposes for which the plan calls for. That in the proposal they agreed that they would pay the sum of at least \$300,000 for the site, he added. The City Council will determine who submits the better bid for the property. Then the air rights will be leased back to the corporation, and at the end of 35 years, or any time prior to that time, if une bonds are paid off, the City will own the garages.

Further, the proposal that the Downtown Corp. offered to bid, it provides that they will transfer the property back to the City subject to the lease. Urban Renewal has agreed that they would sell the air rights over the garages and the rights underneath Pacific Ave., not needed for Urban Renewal, to the Local Development Corp. for the sum of \$310,000 plus an additional payment of approximately \$475,000 to be used to start construction of the garages, so when this is completed the City will not own the air rights over these garages. The Local Development Corp. will own them as well as the property underneath the garages which will be developed for private development.

Mayor Rasmussen asked Mr. Richmond to submit a brief letter as to what are the powers of the City Council, the powers of the public generally, and the powers of Urban Renewal.

Mr. Richmond explained, any action that they take must be approved by the City Council as they cannot act without their approval in buying or selling or entering into any agreements. After any Urban Rnnewal Plan is accepted by the Federal Government and a contract is entered into with the City, the department is entirely depended upon the City Council for any decision.

Mayor Rasmussen asked that the Urban Renewal Dept. notify all tenants that are in the projected Urban Renewal area that they are going to be displaced.

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Mr. Burton W. Lyon, Jr., attorney representing the Sportsmen's Association, stated that negotiations have been going on with the City of Tacoma for a number of months. The Sportsmen's Club has leased other property and he felt the City Council was obligated to pass this resolution at this time as it has been a very carefully considered offer to sell.

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

Ayes 6; Nays 3, Banfield, Critanich and Zatkovich; Absent 0. The Resolution was declared passed by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 19513 (postponed from the meeting of December 26th, 1967)

Accepting a sealed bid from H. K. Western Inc. for property at the southeast 169 corner of Center & M Sts. in the Urban Renewal Project Wash. R-1.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Murtland.

Mr. Richmond explained they had a very difficult time selling this piece of property. One of the reasons was there are restrictions on the land since there is a Veterinarian Hospital next door.

The Resolution was passed by voice vote. Ayes 7; Nays 2; Banfield and Cwitanich; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 19524

Fixing Tuesday, Jan. 23, 1968 at 4 P. M. as the date for hearing for the reson . ing of the N. W. corner of So. 11th & Mason Ave. from an "R-2" to an "R-3" District. (petition of Frank Kupka)

Mr. Murtland moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Cyitanich.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote. Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 19525

Fixing Monday, Feb. 26, 1968 at 4 P. M. as the date for hearing on L I D 6894 for street lights on Ea. 40th from McKinley Ave. to Portland Ave. and other nearby streets.

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

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote. Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 19526

Awarding contract to Air Mac, Inc. on its bid of \$3,787.00 for one Power Sever Rodder.

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

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice wote. Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

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Resolution No. 19527

Accepting certain offers to sell real property from Francis J. & Helen A. Browne situated within the New Tacoma Urban Renewal Project No. Wash. R-14.

Mr. Finnigan moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Murtland. Mr. McGavick, Attorney representing Mr. and Mrs. Browne, stated negotiations were settled agreeably.

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Mr. Richmond explained, originally the Urban Renewal Program was set up for ites clearance programs, and then it became more prominent in Commercial areas and now it is going back and relating itself to residential areas in rehabilitation, conservation and code enforcement, to give greater Senefit to individuals.

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

Syes 7; Nays 2, Banfield and Cvitanich; Absent 0. The Resolution was declared passed by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 19528

Accepting certain offers to sell real property from G. R. & Bdith Sharman situated within the New Tacoma Urban Renewal Project No. Wash. R-14.

Mr. Finnigan moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Murtland. Mr. Earl Mann, Attorney representing Mr. and Mrs. Sharman, explained when the constants left the building and how many are still under their leases.

Mayor Rasmussen asked what properties were owned by absentee landlords that aspired this drastic action.

Mr. Richmond explained that the corner property at 13th and Pacific and a building in the 904 block were owned by people residing in Seattle, another building in the middle of the block was owned by people in Tacoma.

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

Ayes 7; Nays 2; Banfield and Cvitanich; Absent 0. The Resolution was declared passed by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 19529

That an Urban Coalition Convocation be called for the City of Tacoma to take place on the 19th day of February, 1968, said conference to be known as the "Tacoma Area Conference on Community Problems."

Dr. Herrmann moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Murtland.

Mr. Johnson who was Chairman of a Committee to check into this matter, reported that it would be a good opportunity for the City of Tacoma to hold this conference on Feb. 19th, 1968.

Mrs. Banfield asked what were the results in Congress on this Urban Coalition and for what purpose is it.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, explained this Urban Coalition program was organized this part summer, during August 1967. The purpose of the coalition was to bring together leaders from throughout the United States from government, labor, industry, ousiness, religion and social welfare fields. They were to try to have a dedication from all those people to come to study the problems that were facing Urban America today.

Mr. Rowlands added, he had the opportunity to attend this particular convocation and it was a very inspiring experience to hear the leads of America. It was requested that local coalitions and convocations be held in all areas of the country

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to begin the task of implementing the goals on the local community level.

Mayor Rasmissen asked Mr. Johnson if his committee had decided who should be at this convocation if it were held in Tacoma.

Mr. Johnson explained that the committee felt an invitation by the Mayor should be sent out to the top leaders in the City of Tacoma. A suggested list will be presented to the Mayor at a later date.

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Mr. Cvitanich expressed favoring such a convocation, however, he was concerned with the cost. He added, he had no objections as long as it is not another 'lip service committee meeting'. He felt that the people accepting the invitation should work diligently together.

Mr. Johnson suggested that the list be made up of people who are in a position to offer employment.

Mayor Rasmussen suggested that the resolution be amended in the first paragraph after the words," BE IT RESOLVED etc." to read, "That a Tacoma Area Conference on Community Problems be called for the City of Tacoma to take place on the 19th day of February, 1968.

Mr. Johnson moved that the Resolution be amended in the first paragraph after the words BE IT RESOLVED, etc. to read "That a Tacoma Area Conference on Community Problems be called for the City of Tacoma to take place on the 19th day of Feb. 1968. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Mr. Cvitanich suggested that funds be solicited from the community to pay the expenses.

Mr. Cvitanich then moved that a paragraph be added to the Resolution, as follows, "BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all expenditures made relating to this conference and project shall be payable only upon the approval of the Mayor and Council. Seconded by Mr. Zatkovich. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

The Resolution as amended was passed unanimously by voice vote. Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Mr. Hodges, Director of Human Relations Commission, stated his department was prepared to do the ground work, and coordinating for the conference, if the Mayor and Council so approve.

Resolution No. 19530

Submitting to the electorate of the City of Tacoma a proposition or propositions as to what form of government the people of the City of Tacoma desire for their City, which opinion will be advisory only to the Council.

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

Mr. Zatkovich moved that the Council adept-City of Tacoma Proposition No. 2 contained in the resolution, and delete Propositions No. 1 & 3 from the Resolution. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

Mr. Finnigan felt it would be unjust to the electorate to place the resolution on the ballot on Feb. 6th as it would not allow the electorate sufficient time to be properly informed of its contents. He added, it was up to the Council to explain the advantages and disadvantages of the various forms of government. He suggested that all three propositions not be put on the ballot as the City would

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have to share the cost of the special election in the amount of approximately 330,000. Furthermore, the results of such an election would not give the Council 4 true expression from the voting public if the public has not been informed.

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Mr. Zatkovich felt this would be a vote of confidence from the people. Proposition No. 2, if the voters agree to retain the Council-Manager form of Government that would be it. Then if they wished to change the Charter that can be done.

Dr. Herrmann felt the form is not as important as the contents. Next week there will be a resolution on the agenda calling for a freeholders election. If the Council passes the resolution for freeholders, the freeholders will examine the Charter and make recommendations as to the forms of government to the Council, without cost, to determine what the people want. There are many forms of government that should be studied before the people are given the opportunity to vote as changes must be made with deliberation and study.

Mr. Murtland felt the results of the balloting on this particular resolution would be advisory only and not legally binding on the City Council, but it does not determine what would be maintained.

Mr. Johnson stated that under a freeholders' election the voters would get action. On this particular proposition advise would be given without results.

Mrs. Banfield felt if the people wished to vote, the Council must give them the opportunity.

Mr. Cvitanich felt the community is divided on one question, should it retain this form of government or not. The Council should submit this to the vote of the people. If the freeholders route is to be considered, the Council should give the freeholders some direction.

Mayor Rasmussen stated, at the last election for freeholders, it was passed by a very narrow margin. He suggested that all three propositions be put on the ballot.

A number of citizens spoke in favor of as well as in opposition to the resolution.

Mayor Rasmussen advised that County Auditor Jack Sonntag verified that the question could be presented in conjunction with the Tacoma School District's February 6th bond and millage election.

Mr. Bott explained he was interested in knowing just how the electorate felt on this issue, however, he favored the freeholder approach to any change.

Mayor Rasmussen asked for a roll call on Mr. Zatkovich's motion that the Council adopt Proposition No. 2, contained in the resolution and delete Propositions No. 1 & 3 from the Resolution.

Roll call was taken on the motion to amend the Resolution. Ayes 6; Nays 3, Finnigan, Herrmann and Murtland; Absent 0.

Roll call was taken on the resolution as amended.

Ayes 5; Nays 4; Finnigan, Herrmann, Johnson and Murtland; Absent 0. The Resolution was declared passed by the Chairman.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 18477

Creating and establishing a new fund in the City of Tacoma to be known as the Tacoma Civic Arts Commission Fund.

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Mayor Rasmussen suggested that the Council consider this ordinance during the next week relative to what type of construction can be placed on City property.

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The ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 18478

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the official code by adding a new section 13.06.065-80 to include property on the N. E. corner of So. 47th & Lawrence Sts. in an "R-4-L" District. (petition of Walter C. Witte)

The ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 18474 (as amended)

Amending Sec. 6.38.050 & 110 and adding a new section 6.14.050 and repealing Sec. 8.20.220 of the official code relative to public dance halls and cabarets and establishing the hours, and in particular when New Year's Eve falls on Sunday.

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

Ayes 8; Nays 1, Finnigan; Absent 0. The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18475

Amending Chapter 2.05 of the official code and adding subsections (e) and (f) relative to the Inspection of Signs.

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

Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0. The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18476

Repealing Ordinance No. 18414 which set up L I D 5447 for water mains on No. 9th from Shirley to Highland; Highland from No. 9th to 11th and in Winnifred from No. 9th to Dahl St.

Mr. Cvitanich remarked that the L I D Committee has suggested that the City Council and the Department of Public Works and the staff meet in a study session as soon as possible in regard to property owners being assessed for too many L I D's at one time.

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

Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0. The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Director of Public Utilities presents the assessment roll for L I D 5432 for water mains in Mildred from 6th Ave. to So. 8th; So. 10th to So. 12th; So. 8th from Mildred to Vassault St. City Cruncil Minutes - Page 10 - Jan. 9th, 1968

Mr. Finnigan moved that Monday, Feb. 26th, 1968 be set as the date of hearing at 4 P. M. on the assessment roll for L I D 5432. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

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a. HC-515 Annual Report

Placed on file,

b. HC-516 Review of one way Streets.

Placed on file.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

Tacoma Employees Retirement System report for Nov. 1967.

COMMENTS:

Mr. Johnson thought that the Model Cities program should be considered as soon as possible.

Mr. Johnson then moved that the Model Cities program be placed on the agenda for a hearing on Jan. 23, 1968. Seconded by Mr. Murtland. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

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Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, suggested that the hearing be held with the thought in mind of making a determination by the Council at that time, whether the Council wishes the City to re-apply for the Model Cities grant. If the Council decides that a re-application should be submitted, it will take in all probability four or five weeks to set up the program. The dead line is set for the middle of April, 1968.

Mr. Rowlands asked the Council if they wished someone present at this hearing from the Dept. of HUD, San Francisco at the hearing.

Mayor Rasmussen asked Mr. Rowlands if the City of Tacoma has consulted with Seattle in regard to the application for the Model Cities Program.

Mr. Rowlands stated they had not, but he would be happy to contact them to have a representative present.

Mr. Cvitanich suggested that McCarver School auditorium be used as the place for the hearing as it is in the Hilltop area, and it would give the residents an opportunity to be present at the meeting.

Mr. Johnson noted that a communication from Harry Sprinker, Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, has requested that the City Cruncil attend an informal joint meeting on Tuesday, 3:15 P. M, Jan. 23rd, 1968 for a presentation regarding a Community Shelter Plan.

Mr. Johnson amended his motion that a Special meeting of the City Council be held at 7 P. M. at McCarver School on January 22, 1968 with the Model Cities Program being the only item on the agenda. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote taken. Mction carried.

Mr. Finnigan remarked there are two area-wide vacancies in organizations to

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which Tacoma belongs. One is the Puget Sound Governmental Conference and the other is on the Executive Board of District No. 10 of the Association of Wash-ington Cities.

Mr. Finnigan then moved that Mr. Johnson be appointed to the Puget Sound / 195 Gevernmental Conference Board. Seconded by Dr. Herriann. Voice vote taken. 20 Motion carried.

Mr. Finnigan then moved that Mr. Murtland be appointed to the Executive Board of the Association of Washington Cities, District #10. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

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Mayor Rasmussen announced his nominees to serve on the Advisory Brand for the Job Trainee Corps.; W. E. Disbrow, George McPheeters, Fred Van Camp, Joseph Peyton, John Epps, Henri R. Linton and Eunice Betts.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the above persons be appointed to the Advisory Board for the Job Trainee Corps. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Mayor Rasmussen said he would like to appoint Mr. Finnigan to the Human Relations Commission and he would entertain a motion.

Mr. Cvitanich moved that Mr. Finnigan be appointed to the Human Relations Commission. Seconded by Mr. Zatkovich. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Mayor Rasmussen requested that resolutions be prepared for next week's agenda for the last two appointments.

Mayor Rasmussen stated that a week ago Mr. Murtland had requested a report on air pollution relative to the diesel vehicles maintained by the City. \checkmark

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, stated he had contacted Mr. Hendry , Transit Direc- y^3 tor, and a condensed report will be submitted Friday.

Mayor Rassussen requested a report from Mr. Rowlands as to when an examination for laborer positions had been given by the City. If it had not been recently, he asked that one be scheduled.

Mayor Rasmussen requested that Mr. Hodges, Director of Human Relations Commission, investigate complaints by certain Hilltop area residents that they / cannot obtain home repair loans from local savings and loan institutions.

Mr. Frank Russell, 1728 Karljohan, President of the NAACP, asked that a proclamation by the Mayor declaring a Negro History Week be instituted. He also expressed the opinion that the City should re-apply for the Model Cities grant. City Council Minutes - Page 12 - Jan. 9th, 1968

Mayor Rasaussen asked Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, to reserve space in the County-City Bldg. for the week of Feb. 11th through 17th, 1968 for a display of Negro history materials.

Mr. Rowlands stated he would take care of the matter.

Mr. Bott moved that a proclamation be declared by the Mayor making Feb. 11th through 17th, 1968 as Negro History Week in the City of Tacoma and that a space be provided in the County-City Bldg. for a display of Negro history materials. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

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

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