CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers, 4:00 P. M. Tuesday, April 2, 1968

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Council met in regular session. Present on roll call 8: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Finnigan, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen. Absent 1, Herrmann.

Mayor Rasmussen explained that corrections be made in the minutes, on page 6, third line down, changing the word 'six' to sixty', page 8, the roll call for ordinance No. 18523 should be changed to Nays 1, Murtland, and on Page 9 the roll call on Ordinance No. 18530 be changed to Ayes 9; Nays 0.

Mr. Murtland moved that the minutes of the meeting of March 19th, 1963 be approved as corrected. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

HEARINGS & APPEALS:

a. This is the date set for hearing for the vacation of So. 18th & Union Ave., submitted by the <u>Automobile Club of Washington</u>.

Mr. Russell Buehler, Director of Planning, explained that this vacation is cue to the present alignment on Union Ave. Originally the City had asked the property owners for the dedication of this land for a possible transition between Union Ave. and Pugez Sound Ave. Since that time, the transition plan has been abandoned and Union Ave. has been reconstructed. At the time of the original dedication, the City had promised that the land would revert to the property owners if it were not used.

No one appearing and no protests being made, Mr. Johnson moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission to vacate the above property and that an ordinance be drafted approving same. Seconded by Mr. Zatkovich. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

b. This is the date set for hearing for the rezoning of the west side of lacific Ave. between So. 76th & So. 78th Sts. extended, from an "R-2" to an "R-4-L" District, submitted by Whitson Construction Company.

Mr. Buehler explained this is a request for a reclassification in order to construct a twenty-eight unit apartment complex. The applicants have agreed to a number of site conditions which include 1.5 off-street parking stalls per unit, a 65 foot front yard setback, permanent cement concrete driveway, curbs and gutters, underground wiring and sanitary and storm sewers. The site is located directly across Pacific Ave. from an existing "R-4-L" zoning district.

No one appearing and no protests being made, Mrs. Banfield moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission to rezone the above property and that an ordinance be drafted approving same. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

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PETITIONS:

- a. Alvin L. Morris & Son, Inc. requesting rezoning of the S. W. corner of Co. 54th & L Si. from an "R-2" to an "R-3" District.
- b. Daniel M. Mullen, requesting rezording of the S. E. corner of So. 74th and Prespect from an "R-2" to an "R-4-L" District.
- c. <u>Norman A. Runyan et al</u> requesting rezoning of the N. W. corner of So. 66th & Cheyenne St. from an "R-2" to a "C-2" District.

Referred to the Planning Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS:

a. Communication from Sharon Pretti. Secretary of the Pierce County Chapter of the Washington Pilots Association explaining at its last board meeting of the Pierce County Chapter of the Washington Pilots Association, prepared a resolution supporting the continuing improvement of the Tacoma Industrial Airport as proposed in the program outlined in the request for Federal Aid.

Placed on file.

b. Communication from <u>Karl J. Beaty</u> calling attention to page 22 of the 1968 Budget relative to the Organization Chart of the City of Tacoma Government.

Mr. Beaty was present to substantiate his complaint.

Mayor Rasmussen explained to Mr. Beaty that the City Council is recommending that he meet with Mr. Gaisford, Finance Director, to settle this matter.

Mr. Gaisford, Finance Director, asked if Mr. Oles, could be present when Mr. Beaty meets with him, as Mr. Oles has quite a financial background and he hoped that Mr. Beaty would not object.

Mr. Beaty explained to the City Council that there are five different points that he wishes clear up. He agreed to meet with Mr. Gaisford.

Mayor Rasmussen said he has received a communication from Jack Elich, President of Tacoma Boys' Club & Camp relative to the need for a Boys' Club in the Central area of Tacoma.

After some discussion, Mayor Rasmussen moved that this communication be included in the Model's Cities application which is due on April 15, 1968. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, explained that this area as well as other areas will be studied as two or three various groups have requested recreational activities within these areas. This is a phase of the Model Cities study which will be utilized by the grant. As far as the specific implementation of the program, there will have to be monies made available.

Mayor Rasmussen said, if the City obtains the grant, the Federal government wishes to know what the City will support before the grant is used.

Mr. Ovitanich felt the Council should concern themselves with more than just the Hilltop area. He felt that the Council should wait until the Model Cities Application is granted until it commits itself.

Mr. Murtland stated the Model Cities Application is a planning study

grant.

Mayor Rasmussen explained he had been conferring with a number of persons including the Park Board relative to installing a swimming pool in the Hilltop

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area. He felt such a facility would solve a number of problems and he felt it should be added to the Model Cities application.

Mr. Johnson felt the motion made by Mayor Rasmussen should be arended to indicate that this letter should be included as supporting data that will be insidered after and/ if the application is funded.

Mr. Johnson therefore moved that Mayor Rasmussen's motion be amended to inlude that this latter be supporting data that will be considered after the Model laties application is approved. Seconded by Mr. Murtland. Voice vote taken and the motion as amended. Motion carried.

Communication from the Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma relative to the Model Citles program.

Placed on file.

Communication from Madison School Park Committee relative to summer programs sponsored by the Metropolitan Park District.

Mayor Rasmussen stated that the Council had asked that an ordinance be irafted appropriating an additional \$30,000 that had been requested by the Park District. He added, the ordinance will be on the agenda next week and asked that Mrs. Dawson of the Madison School Park Committee be so advised.

A Telegram addressed to Mayor Rasmussen and the Tacoma City Council was received from Alice Dunn, Director of the Eastside Multi-Service Center.

Mrs. Dung was present and explained that the new Eastside Youth Center had been destroyed by fire Saturday, March 30th, 1968. She added, all the material and labor that has gone into rehabilitating this building has been given by the community. No federal funds had been involved. At this time, they are again asking for support from the City Council as a Youth Center on the East side of Tacoma is very important.

A number of youths spoke on the advantage of having a center to be used for planned activities for the youth of an area.

After further discussion, Mr. Cvitanich suggested that Mr. L. H. Pedersen of the Labor Council be the liason between the City Manager's office to help with the rebuilding of this youth center.

Mayor Rasmussen stated the Council will have to explore many things, however, he asked that the matter be referred to David Rowlands, City Manager, to work in conjunction with Mrs. Dunn and the Park Board.

Communication from Frances C. Smith relative to the Sister City Program.

Placed on file.

Mayor Rasmussen read a communication he had received from Marshall McCormick, City Attorney, relative to the financial data available to the City from the TideAir Co. Mr. McCormick had stated that Mr. W. D. Whinery, Jr., TideAir owner, had been advised by his attorney and bank representatives that he did not have to make this financial data available to the City.

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Mr. Cvitanich asked if the City were to make a management audit of the Airport, would the City be entitled to check the TideAir Company's books and records Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, replied that the City would not be allowed access to private information without TideAir's approval.

Mayor Fasmussen remarked, that the situation pointed out that there is a need for a new policy in regard to City lease agreements.

Mr. Cvitanich inquired if the report that he had asked for relative to dues paid to the National League of Cities and their disbursements had been committed.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, distributed a report to the City Council relative to the allocation of funds in the Town Affiliations Association.

Mr. Rowlands said he had talked to Mr. Dakland who is Executive Director of the Town Affiliation Association and he had forwarded a letter to him which did not arrive until too late to distribute to the Council on the agenda.

He explained that the total yearly budget for the association will never exceed \$30,000. However, he thought if all of the cities that have been invited to be members in the Town Affiliations Association paid their dues it would amount to \$52,000. This appears to be unlikely, he added.

There are various services provided by the Association, naming a few; annual regional conferences, assistance to formalizing new affiliations, continuance of information services, etc. He added, many programs in the past have been incorporated into the new Town Affiliations Association's program. It is also felt that this Association would be of assistance to the cities.

Mr. Cvitanich explained this \$300.00 which has been requested by Mrs. Sass as the City's representative to our Sister City, will be well spent as she has done an excellent job over the years and is certainly to be commended. Next year if the dues increase, then the City Council can again determine if they wish to participate.

After some discussion, Mr. Cvitanich moved that the City Council appropriate \$300.00 to continue within the National League of Cities and to affiliate with the Town Affiliations Association program. Seconded by Mr. Johnson.

Mayor Rasmussen stated, since the last Council meeting a number of letters have been received questioning why a non-resident of the City represents the City of Tacoma in the Sister City Program. In reviewing the matter with the staff he had found that the Mayor of Kitakyushu, Japan had not answered his most recent communication. Therefore, he felt the Mayor of Kitzkyusu was not interested in the Sister City Program. He continued, knowing the Japanese as sensitive people, he wondered if they would not want to receive any emissary from Tacoma below the rank of Mayor. This was why he had moved to delay the matter until he finds that the City of Kitakyusu wishes to participate in the Sister City program.

Mr. Finnigan remarked that he had never heard any objections before to the program.

After some discussion, Mayor Rasmussen explained the question is on the motion to postpone the matter for two weeks. Roll call was taken on the motion, resulting as follows: Ayes 2; Nays 6; Bott, Cvitanich, Finnigan, Johnson, Murtland and Zatkovich. Absent 1, Herrmann. Motion Lost.

Voice vote was taken on Mr. Cvitanich's motion to appropriate \$300.00 out of the Legislative Budget to continue within the National League of Cities and affiliate with the Town Affiliations Association's program. Motion carried.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 19649

Fixing Monday April 22, 1968 at 4 P. M. as the date for hearing for L I D 5462 for water mains in Cedar St. from So. 19th to So. 23rd Street.

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

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

Resolution No. 19650

Fixing Tuesday April 16, 1968 at 4 P. M. as the date for hearing for the rezoning of the south side of East 56th Street between the Pipe Line Road and Roosevelt Ave. from an "R-2" and "R-3" to an "R-4-L" PRD. (petition of Silver Falcon Inc.)

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

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

Resolution No. 19651

Fixing Tuesday April 30, 1968 at 4 P. M. as the date for hearing for the vacation of property on the north side of So. 56th St. between Lawrence and Montgomery St. extended. (petition of Conifer Company)

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

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

Resolution No. 19652

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute and deliver to the City of Tacoma a local improvement assessment deed for property located at So. 74th and Wapato for thelsum of \$160.08.

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

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

Resolution No. 19653

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute and deliver to the City of Tacoma a local improvement assessment deed for vacant land at So. 82nd & Sheridan for the sum of \$88.67.

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

Resolution No. 19654

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute and deliver to the fity of Tacoma a local improvement assessment deed for vacant land located at So 30th & Tyler Sts. for the sum of \$167.65.

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

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

Resolution No. 19655

Authorizing the sale of surplus and miscellaneous timber to St. Regis Paper Company for Parcel A & B and to Seaboard Lumber Company for Parcel C.

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

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

Resolution No. 19656

Authorizing the execution of an agreement between the Dept. of Public Utilities, Light Division and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union No. 483, concerning wages, and hours of electrical workers effective April 1, 1968.

Mr. Finnigan moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Banfield Mr. Erdahl, Director of Utilities, explained that wage negotiation meetings were started on Nov. 7th, 1967 with the expectation of reaching an agreement prior to the contract expiration of April 1, 1968. The agreement provides for wages and working conditions for electrical workers. An increase was allowed in the basic journeyman rate, for lineman or wireman of approximately 6.3% from \$4.57 to \$4.86 per hour. Other classifications in the agreement have been adjusted in accordance to the established percentage of the journeyman's rate which each position warrants. He added, while all settlements in the industry have not been made at this point, they believe with the settlements and offers that have been made, the general area pattern has been formed.

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

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 18541

Providing for the improvement of L I D 2400 for grading and an oil mat surface on East 60th from K to L St.; also storm drains on East 60th from L to M Street.

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

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

Ordinance No. 18542

Providing for the improvement of L I D 6899 for street lighting on wooden poles on Vassault Street from No. 23rd to No. 26th Street.

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

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

Ordinance No. 18543

Providing for the improvement of L I D 6901 for street lighting on Ferry Street from So. 19th to So. 21st Street.

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

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

Ordinance No. 18544

Providing for the improvement of L ID 5455 for the construction of water mains in Park Ave. from So. 37th to So. 38th Street.

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

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

Ordinance No. 18545

Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L I D 5437 for water mains in 1st St. Court East from Fife Heights Drive East easterly approximately 1100 feet to the cul-de-sac.

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

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

Ordinance No. 18546

Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L I D 4804 for paving on Cushman Ave. from So. 78th to So. 80th Street and various other southend Streets.

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

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Herrmann. The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman. City Council Minutes - Page 8 - April 2, 1968

Ordinance No. 18547

Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L I D 4798 for paving on To. Fife from Sc. 68th to So. 70th and other nearby southend streets.

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

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Director of Public Utilities presents the following assessment rolls:

- a. LID 5440 for water mains in Sheridan Ave. from So. 84th to So. 82nd; So. 82nd from Sheridan Ave. to So. L Street.
 - b. LID 5441 for water mains in Tacona Ave. from So. 92nd to So. 94th Street.

Mr. Finnigan moved that Monday, May 13, 1968 at 4 P. M. be fixed as the date for hearing on the above L I D's. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

MC-523 - Tacoma Area Coalition.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, explained the distinction between the local Urban Coalition and the recently sponsored Tacoma Area Conference on Community Problems. He said the Tacoma Area Coalition is a body of community leaders committed to seek jobs for the disadvantaged and work for racial harmony.

Mrs. Banfield asked who authorized Tacoma to become a part of the National group.

Mr. Rowlands explained that any local coalition is automatically affiliated with the national group.

Mr. Rowlands felt that the City could benefit from the experiences of other cities in an exchange of information and ideas on coping with racial problems. He further added, he did not believe there were any dues involved in membership, however, he would check.

Mrs. Banfield asked that Mr. Rowlands submit a report on the dues that the City of Tacoma pays to belong to various organizations.

Mr. Rowlands said a report would be made.

Mayor Rasmussen requested a financial report on the cost to the City of its sponsorship of the Feb. 19th Tacoma Area Conference on Community Problems which was held at the Winthrop Hotel.

Mr. Rowlands stated he would prepare such a report.

Mayor Rasmussen thought the Council should be more careful in becoming involved in too many organizations, as such a thing could nappens that an organization might turn up on the Attorney General's list.

Mr. Finnigan asked if Mayor Rasmussen believed in the Human Relations Commission.

Mayor Rasmussen replied he believed it can serve a good purpose, but he felt some people in the commission were involving themselves in matters that were none of their concern. He further stated he had visited Seattle's state provided multiservice center Monday. He had talked with Gov. Evans and, perhaps, there might be

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a chance that Tacoma will receive such a center.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

a. Report from the Fire Dept. for the month of February 1968.

b. Report from the Light and Water Division for the month of February 1968.

COMMENTS BY THE CITY HANAGER:

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, brought to the Council's attention that there will be an Association of Washington Cities Day to be held in Seattle at the Chamber of Commerce. President Bob Lewis of Spokane will speak on "Salute to the Cities".

Mayor Rasmussen stated he would be there for a meeting of the Puget Sound Governmental Conference and will attend the meeting at the Chamber of Commerce as a representative of the Tacoma City Council.

Mr. Johnson stated he would also attend.

Mayor Rasmussen felt the Council should have a study session in regard to their policy of attendance of Councilmen at meetings, especially conferences out of State.

Mr. Rowlands mentioned that the meetings the Council members attend are very informative. The members do meet with their associates of other ciries and discuss many problems which they have in common. He felt that the dividends received by Tacoma have been well worthwhile.

Mr. Rowlands submitted copies of the letter that Mr. Schuster, Public Works Director, sent to property owners relative to the closure of Wilkeson Sr. at South 38th, IMP No. 4826. A hearing is to be held in the Council Chambers on April 16, 1968.

COMMENTS BY THE CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Rasmussen said a study session had been held relative to the 38th St. district. Mr. Kosai, Traffic Engineer, met with the businessmen in the 38th St. district on Wednesday, April 3rd at 7:30 A. M.

Mr. Kosai stated that this will involve future plans of the businesses in this district. He also reported that a meeting Tuesday afternoon had resolved Mr. Lackey's problem.

Mayor Rasmussen asked Mr. Schuster, Director of Public Works, what method could be worked out, so the Council could be aware when restrictions relative to parking are to be posted in any neighborhood. He felt the public should be informed more than twenty-four hours in advance.

Mr. Schuster felt that prior to advertising for bids on a major project that a study session could be set up with the Council to review the plans. At the same time notices could be forwarded to the affected property owners.

Mayor Rasmussen asked Mr. Schuster to report on the survey that was conducted at Roosevelt Heights which was requested.

Mr. Schuster reported that Ralph Clair, a representative of the Public Work's staff was in that area to speak at the Roosevelt School at the invitation of the principal. He added, there was no survey being taken at that time. Mr. Clair explained to the group what the Public Works Dept. was attempting to do, such as

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removal of old buildings and cleaning up of areas in the City of Tacoma, He also explained at that time improvements were available through the L I D procedure, and he had no knowledge of any other method for doing this type of improvement at the present time.

Mr. Schuster added, apparently, he pointed out at one time, the City had used the Housing Improvement Agents in an area of about ten square blocks in another section of Tacoma. Evidently someone misunderstood him and thought this was going to happen in the Roosevelt Heights district. There is no plan for doing this in that area.

Mr. Schuster continued, there are plans that have been discussed with the City Council for working toward removal of old buildings and cleaning up different areas within the City.

Mrs. Banfield requested a financial statement from the Human Relations Commission each month.

Mr. Rowlands stated he would check into the matter.

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Mrs. Banfield reported that the Annual Report has been completed for the first draft and she hoped the final draft will be completed by Tuesday, April 9th.

Mrs. Banfield moved that the City Council approve the draft of the annual linancial Report for the Citizens of Tacoma. Seconded by Mr. Zatkovich. No action taken.

Mr. Cvitanich felt the Council should see the report in its final form before voting on such a motion.

Mayor Rasmussen stated the approval by the Council will be held up until they are able to check the final draft.

Mr. Bud Bond, Public Information Officer, informed the Council that the information booth on the second floor should be in operation in about one week and one-half.

Mr. Zatkovich requested the City Attorney's office to draft an ordinance repealing the Tacoma Leash Law which he felt was unconstitutional as selective an enforcement is being used.

Mayor Rasmussen stated he would like to appoint Mr. Zatkovich as a member of the Puget Sound Governmental Conference.

Mr. Cvitanich moved that Mr. Zatkovich be appointed as a member of the Puget Sound Governmental Conference. Seconded by Mrs. Banfield, No action taken.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, explained that in the By-laws of the Puget Sound Governmental Conference, the City of Tacoma is allowed three delegates, the Mayor, City Manager and a City Councilman.

Mayor Rasmussen felt since this conference is a policy making organization it should be composed of only elected officials. He felt that two Councilmen should be sent to the conference from the City of Tacoma, and also the Mayor. He noted that he had proposed an amendment to the By-laws of the Puget Sound Governmental Conference, at the conference, that only elected members are allowed on the conference.

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Mr. Johnson felt the motion to appoint Mr. Zatkovich to the conference should be delayed until the conference votes on Mayor Rasmussen's amendment to the By-laws.

Mayor Rasmussen felt that would not be necessary as he felt they should know that Tacoma does have Councilmen that are interested.

Mr. Bost moved that Mr. Zatkovich could be an alternate to the conference, and in the event the By-laws are changed, he could then be appointed as a permanent representative from Tacoma's City Council. Lost for the want of a second.

Mayor Rasmissen moved if it were agreeable with the Council he would send a letter to the Puget Sound Governmental Conference stating that it is the desire of the Council to have an additional Councilman serve on the conference in place of the City Manager. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

Mr. Finnigan reported that many people on the Puget Sound Governmental Conference have stated that Mr. Rowlands has provided a great amount of assistance and guidance to the progress of the conference. He felt that the Council should hold up on any motion relative to the conference to see if a change in the By-laws has been acted upon.

Mr. Cvitanich thought they should be notified as how the majority of the Council feels at this time. He felt, Mr. Rowlands could attend, but the point is clearly delineated between policy and administrative matters.

Mrs. Banfield felt three elected persons should be on the conference and the only ones from Tacoma that should be allowed to vote.

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, felt the whole matter on any of the motions is to change the policy of the Council relative to the Puget Sound Conference representation.

Mr. Bott moved that all motions be tabled until the result of the vote of the Puget Sound Governmental Conference is determined. Seconded by Mr. Finnigan.

Roll call was taken on Mr. Bott's motion. Ayes 4: Nays 4: Banfield, Cvitanich, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen. Absent 1: Herrmann. MOTION FAILED.

Mayor Rasmussen stated the next vote is on his motion to send a letter to the Puget Sound Governmental Conference stating that it is the Council's desire to have an additional Council member serve on the conference instead of the City Manager. Roll call was taken: Ayes 4: Nays 4: Bott, Finnigan, Johnson and Murtland. Absent 1: Herrmann. MOTION FAILED.

Mr. Bott asked that he be excused from the Council meetings of April 9th and 16th, 1968.

Mr. Murtland moved that Mr. Bott be excused from the Council meetings of April 9th and 16th, 1968. Seconded by Mr. Johnsons. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Mr. Cvitanich reported that at the last Planning Commission meeting the Salvation Army is in the process of being relocated as a result of the Downtown Urban Renewal area, and he felt the Urban Renewal staff would extend a helping hand.

Mr. Cvitanich told the Council that he was in no hurry in regard to his last week's proposal that an election be held on whether the City wants to undertake future urban renewal projects. He stated he did not wish to harm the City's chances of qualifying for the Model Cities program.

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COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC:

Mayor Rasmussen stated he had a letter from Mr. Zelenak related to the curfew law, but he was unable to be here tonight.

Mr. Murtland requested that the Mayor and City Council meet in the Mayor's office on a personnel matter right after this meeting.

Mayor Rasmussen stated the press was welcome to attend.

Mr. Ernie Roberts, 1322 No. Jackson, noted that he was surprised when he noted that he could not pay his L I D assessment immediately.

Mr. Gaisford, Director of Finance, stated that property owners can pay their L I D assessments in one installment and no interest is charged. Owners do have the right, if they elect, to pay the L I D over a period of time.

Mr. Gaisford stated that Tacoma is one City that has been trying to change some of the L I D laws. They are antiquated and should be corrected.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, upon motion duly seconded and passed the meeting adjourned at 8:00 P. M.

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