

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers, 4:00 P. M.
Wednesday, Sept. 20, 1967

Council met in regular session. Present on roll call 5: Finnigan, Herrmann, Johnson, Murland and Price. Absent: Bott, Cvitanich, Haley and Mayor Tollefson. Mr. Bott arriving at 4:15 P. M.; Mr. Cvitanich at 4:20 P. M. and Mayor Tollefson at 4:25 P. M.

In the absence of Mayor Tollefson, Deputy Mayor Herrmann presided.

Mr. Johnson moved that the minutes of the meeting of Sept. 5, 1967 be approved as submitted. Seconded by Mrs. Price. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Mr. Paul Herlinger, Vice Pres. of the Civic Arts Commission, introduced Edward Seferian, Musical Director and Conductor of the UPS Tacoma Symphony.

Mr. Seferian explained that the annual program of free public concerts presently operates on a \$30,000 budget. The program involving participation of noted guest artists, is second to none among city concert series. He said they intend again this season to bring guest artists and make the concerts complimentary. He added, half of the orchestra's budget is received from community donations, with the remainder contributed by U P S. He asked the City Council to help in the amount of \$3500 because of the orchestra's increased needs for 1967 and 1968. 220
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Deputy Mayor Herrmann thanked Mr. Herlinger and Mr. Seferian for their presentations and assured them that the Council would take the request under advisement.

Presentation of award to Mr. W. D. Trueblood.

Mr. Rowlands explained that Mr. Trueblood developed a unique cooling system in the Photo Lab and has won a \$25.00 award.

Deputy Mayor Herrmann presented Mr. Trueblood with the award.

Mr. Trueblood was congratulated by Deputy Mayor Herrmann, Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, and members of the City Council.

HEARINGS & APPEALS:

a. This is the date set for hearing for the vacation of the alley between So. 15th & 16th Sts. from Union Ave. to Puget Sound Ave., submitted by Hillridge Co., Inc.

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 Mrs. Price. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

b. This is the date set for hearing for the vacation of No. 48th between Lee and Gove Streets, submitted by Mrs. Anthony Ukich.

Mrs. Price 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. Murland. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Mayor Tollefson arriving and assuming the Chair.

c. This is the date set for hearing on the appeal filed by James P. Healy et al on the denial of the request for rezoning of the west side of Pine St. between So. 45th & 47th Sts. from an "R-3" to an "R-3-F" District.

Mr. Buehler, Director of Planning, pointed out the property in question on the map, that is being appealed by the petitioner.

Mr. Healy, petitioner, explained that the erection of the Mall had worked a drastic change on the residential character of the neighborhood. When the Mall was developed they raised a forty-five foot high dirt bank on the east side of Pine Street, whereas before that wall was erected, the persons living in the homes affected by this petition had a beautiful view of Mt. Rainier. Now they have a view of a high bank. The bank is a great deal higher than the telephone poles, and these properties have lost their desirability as strictly residential properties.

Mr. Healy noted that four streets intersect with Pine St. between So. 38th and So. 48th. The first block is 100% commercial. The first block north of So. 48th is zoned "C-1" and it was anticipated that it would be developed into a commercial development. The first two houses north of So. 48th St. are zoned "C-1". He noted that the block between So. 45th and So. 47th St., bordering Pine St., is the only block which has an alley and it is the only block which can provide access for adequate off-street parking.

Mr. Healy felt that the granting of this petition would be for the public good and general welfare.

Mr. Finnigan asked if the petitioners were willing to pay for the complete construction of the alley.

Mr. Buehler stated this was not brought up at the Commission meeting.

Mr. Healy stated the majority of the petitioners live on the east side of Junett St. across the alley from the property in question; there had not been any mention of any alley improvement.

Mr. Johnson said he is in sympathy with the residents as he felt the construction of the Mall has ruined the area for residential purposes. He felt the request from the petitioner was reasonable.

After further discussion, Mr. Johnson moved to overrule the recommendation of the Planning Commission to deny this rezoning and that an ordinance be drafted approving same. Seconded by Mrs. Price. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

PETITIONS:

a. Alf L. Hystad submitting request for rezoning of property located on the west side of M St. and 150 feet of the south side of So. 41st from an "R-2" to an "R-4-L" District.

b. Conrad Schick et al submitting request for rezoning of the property located on the N. W. corner of So. 12th & Mullen Sts. from an "R-2" to an "R-4-L" & "R-3-PRD" District.

Referred to the Planning Commission.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 19357

Fixing Monday October 9, 1967 at 4 P M as the date for hearing on L I D 5447 for water mains in Highland from No. 9th to No. 11th; Winnifred and No. 9th from Shirley to Highland 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, Haley.

Resolution No. 19358

Fixing Tuesday October 3, 1967 at 4 P M as the date for hearing for the rezoning of property on the south side of So. 72nd between Alaska & Ash Sts. from an "R-2" to an "R-4-L" District. (petition of Edwin C. Brenden)

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

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

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Resolution No. 19359

Awarding contract to Tonnesen Construction on its bid of \$91,425.00 for Improv. No. 2649, Unit "A".

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, Haley.

Resolution No. 19360

Awarding contract to Lige Dickson Co., on its bid of \$616.55 for W. O. No. 54932.

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, Haley.

Resolution No. 19361

Authorizing the purchase of land at Mossyrock, Washington from Charlie and Lena Roberts for the sum of \$500.00 which acquisition will provide for adequate yard space for a residence for the Senior Hydroplant Supervisor.

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

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

Resolution No. 19362

The City of Tacoma does hereby join with the Metropolitan Park District to apply for a grant to the Dept. of Housing and Urban Development for the Metropolitan Park District in the estimated amount of \$61,622.50 for land for open-space uses.

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

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

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 18391

Vacating South 8th St. between Vassault & Lexington St., extended. (petition of Tacoma School District No. 10-Hunt Jr. High School)

The ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 18392

Amending Sec. 12.12.430 of the official code by adding a sub-section 1104 to include a Human Relations Commission Director in the pay and compensation plan.

The ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 18386

Vacating the west side of Jefferson St. between So. 23rd and So. 25th Street. (petition of Public Works Dept.)

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

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

Ordinance No. 18387

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the official code by adding a new section 13.06.065-72 to include property on the northeast corner of No. 25th and Stevens St. in an "R-4-L" District. (petition of Arthur J. Broback)

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

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

Ordinance No. 18388

Amending Chapter 12.12 of the official code by adding a new section 12.12.090 to allow any resident of the City over the age of 65 years to ride upon any and all transit buses operated by the Tacoma Transit System on a monthly pass for the purchase price of \$2.00 between the hours of 9 A. M. and 3 P. M. and after the hour of 6 P. M. and on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays at any time.

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

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

Ordinance No. 18389

Providing for the improvement of L I D 5445 for water mains on No. 11th from Highland to Pearl; in Hunter on No. 12th & 13th from Highland to Woodlawn and other nearby streets.

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

Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Bott and Haley.
The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18390

Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L I D 6862 for street lighting on No. 30th to 38th from Stevens to Orchard Street.

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

Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Bott and Haley.
The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a. The Director of Public Utilities presents the assessment roll for the cost of L I D 5434 for water mains in So. 36th from Lawrence to Nevada Ave. and other nearby streets.

Mrs. Price moved that Monday, October 23, 1967 at 4 P. M. be set as the date for hearing on the assessment roll for L I D 5434. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

b. The Director of Public Works and Public Utilities presents the assessment roll for the cost of the following:

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1. L I D 4789 for paving on Melrose from Fife to Oakes; No. 16th from Cheyenne to Verde; Alaska from So. 21st to 23rd; Villard from No. 18th to No. 21st Street.
2. L I D 5421 for water mains in Roosevelt Ave. from Ea. 68th to a point 774 feet south of the south line of East 68th Street.
3. L I D 5428 for water mains in Shirley on No. 33rd to No. 35th St.
4. L I D 6864 for street lighting on Ea. 57th to 63rd from McKinley Ave. to East K Street.

Mrs. Price moved that Monday, Nov. 13, 1967 at 4 P. M. be set as the date for hearing on the above assessment rolls. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

MC-501 Homer King Complaint

Placed on file

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

Report from the City Planning Dept. for the month of Aug. 1967.

COMMENTS:

Mr. Rowlands submitted a copy of the report from the Tacoma Chamber of Commerce relative to Puget Sound Air Pollution Control Agency. He said it will require two more months before all the suggestions from various agencies are compiled for completion of the report.

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Mr. Cvitanich asked, relative to the status of the lights on No. 21st St. Mr. Rowlands stated the equipment has been ordered for some months now, and the contract has been let.

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Mr. Murtland asked why some stop lights at certain times of the day change to amber and red at night. He asked what saving is accomplished by doing this. He felt the change was most confusing.

Mr. Schuster stated they were trying to obtain easier movement of traffic for evening hours. There is no savings to the City, only that the traffic is less.

Mrs. Price asked about a report on the traffic light on Junett & 6th Ave. Mr. Rowlands stated a recommendation has been made and will be forwarded to the Council next week.

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There being no further business to come before the Council, upon motion duly seconded and passed the meeting adjourned at 6:45 P. M.

W. M. Sullivan
Mayor of the City Council

Attest: Josephine Necton
City Clerk

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