

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
October 16, 1973

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Present on roll call: 7 - Egan, Herrmann, Moss, Nelley, Schuur, Sonntag and Mayor Johnston. Absent: 1 - Jarstad (One Council Vacancy)

The Flag Salute was led by Mr. Schuur.

Mayor Johnston moved to excuse Mr. Jarstad from tonight's meeting due to illness. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote was taken and carried.

C O N S E N T A G E N D A

Approval of the minutes of the meeting of October 9, 1973.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 22455 Fixing Tuesday, October 30, 1973 at 7:30 p.m. as the date for hearing the request for rezoning the northeast corner of South 11th and Ainsworth Avenue from an "R-3" to an "R-3-T" District. (HRF Corporation)

Resolution No. 22456 Fixing Tuesday, November 13, 1973 at 7:00 p.m. as the date for hearing the request for vacation of South 14th from Yakima Avenue easterly 150 feet and the alley from South 14th and 15th between South "G" Street and Yakima Avenue. (St. Leo's Church)

ASSESSMENT ROLLS:

The Director of Public Utilities presents the Assessment Rolls for the following:

LID 5519 - water main and fire hydrant in South 92nd Street from Alaska Street to a point approximately 630 feet east of Alaska Street.

LID 5520 - water mains and fire hydrants in Pearl Street from North 42nd Street to North 45th Street; North 43rd and 44th Streets from Pearl Street to Winnifred Street and Winnifred Street from North 44th Street to North 45th Street.

LID 5521 - water mains and fire hydrants in South 19th Street from Mason-Tyler Transition to Mullen Street and in Mullen Street from South 19th Street to South 18th Street.

Fixing Monday, November 12, 1973 at 4:00 p.m. as the date for hearing.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of Public Utility Board meeting of September 26, 1973.
- b. Monthly Towing Report, September, 1973, Bill's Towing & Garage, Inc.
- c. Monthly Report, Traffic Violations & Court Cases, September, 1973, Municipal Court.
- d. Monthly Financial Report, August 31, 1973, Light Division, Water Division and Belt Line Division.
- e. Quarterly Report, Third Quarter, 1973, Program Management System.

Dr. Herrmann moved that all of the items listed on the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 22455 and 22456, be approved. Seconded by Mrs. Egan. Voice vote was taken and carried. The items were declared approved.

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PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Johnston proclaimed Wednesday, October 24, 1973 as "United Nations Day" in the City of Tacoma.

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REGULAR AGENDA

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 19952 Appropriating \$5,714.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Federal Shared Revenue Fund for the purpose of establishing and operating a Recreation and Leisure Time Management Program to be administered by the Human Development Department.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Egan, Herrmann, Moss, Nalley, Schuur, Sonntag and Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Jarstad (One Council Vacancy)

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 19953 Authorizing the acceptance of a grant award in the amount of \$100,000.00 from U. S. of America Department of HUD for continuing the Program Management System and temporary loan in the amount of \$25,000 from the General Fund to the Program Management System Fund.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Egan, Herrmann, Moss, Nalley, Schuur, Sonntag and Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Jarstad (One Council Vacancy)

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 19954 Appropriating the sum of \$13,335.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Federal Shared Revenue Fund for the purpose of employing an additional Buyer for the Purchasing Division to be administered by the Finance Department.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Egan, Herrmann, Moss, Nalley, Schuur, Sonntag and Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Jarstad (One Council Vacancy)

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 19955 Appropriating \$19,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Federal Shared Revenue Fund for the purpose of establishing and operating an indirect cost recovery program-A87 to be administered by the Finance Department.

Roll call was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Egan, Herrmann, Moss, Nalley, Schuur, Sonntag and Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Jarstad (One Council Vacancy)

The Ordinance was declared passed.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 19956 Appropriating \$20,499.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Federal Shared Revenue Fund for the purpose of transferring said sum to Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department to expand the operation of the Poison Information Center.

Fred Pritchard, Administrator of the Mary Bridge Children's Hospital reviewed the program and answered questions for Council.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 19957 Approving the action of Tacoma-Pierce County Board of Health in appropriating \$8,298.00 of which the City will contribute 50% or the sum of \$4,149.00 for the purpose of carrying out a Senior Citizens Flu Immunization Program and authorizing a transfer of \$4,149.00 from the Contingency Fund to the General Fund for said purpose.

Brandon Gallagher, Director of the Pierce County Community Agency, reviewed the program and answered questions for Council.

It was suggested by Council members that other areas in the City be established for the flu shots in addition to the locations in the central area of the City.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 19958 Appropriating \$64,442.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Federal Shared Revenue Fund for the purpose of transferring same to Tacoma Public Library to provide continuance of special library service to senior citizens.

Mary Frances Borden, Director of the Tacoma Public Library, reviewed the program and answered questions for Council and introduced the following individuals who spoke in favor of the Ordinance: Pat Tyler, Activity Director for three nursing homes; Marion Pardini, Activities Director for Bayview Terrace and Rest Haven; Royal Freeman, Administrator of Life Manor; Alma Dedeaux, Administrator of the Orchard Park Convalescence Center; Tony Passanante, 4406 North 11th Street.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 19959 Amending Chapter 6.89 of the Official Code by repealing and reenacting Sections 6.89.010 through 6.89.050 relative to bingo, raffle or amusement games and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Richard Newman, Assistant Tax & License Director, advised that his information to Council would cover this ordinance and the following two ordinances.

Ordinance No. 19960 Amending Chapter 8.100 of the Official Code by repealing and reenacting Sections 8.100.010 and 8.100.020 relative to gambling activities and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Ordinance No. 19961 Amending Chapter 8.12 of the Official Code by repealing and reenacting subsection 29 of Section 8.12.010 relative to gambling and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Mr. Newman advised that the changes in the City's gambling ordinances are required in order to comply with action taken by the State Legislature at their mini-session in September. Mr. Newman confirmed that the rules and regulations on gambling are established by the State Gambling Commission; however, gambling can be denied by the City.

On question of Mr. Sonntag, Mr. Donaldson advised that the County is considering a tax structure that would be over the five percent already established by the City.

Mayor Johnston advised that the County Commissioners had expressed a desire that the County and City have a uniform tax on gambling. He suggested that before final reading of the ordinances, a meeting with the County Commissioners be held regarding the uniform tax. He suggested that if a tax increase is to be considered on final reading, he would suspend the rules to permit citizens to speak. Mayor Johnston directed the City Manager to arrange for the joint meeting.

Mrs. Egan asked for an opinion from the Legal Department on the City's options regarding gambling.

Ordinance Nos. 19959, 19960 and 19961 were set over for final reading next week.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 22448 (Continued from the meeting of October 9th)
Approving the establishing of the position of Nurse Practitioner-Family Planning in the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department.

Motion to adopt was made at the meeting of October 9, 1973 by Mrs. Egan. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22457 Authorizing the sale of surplus vehicles to various bidders.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Moss. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22458 Authorizing purchase from General Government miscellaneous furniture and computer equipment for Data Processing Division.

Mrs. Egan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Moss. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22459 Authorizing the removal of blackberry vines and debris from the property known as 3401 East "R" Street and costs to be charged against the owner of said property.

Mr. Moss moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Egan. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22460 Authorizing execution of contractual agreement with developers relating to an "R-3" PRD and "R-4-1" PRD District approximately 560 feet west of Alaska Street between South 80th and 82nd Sts.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Egan. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 22461 Authorizing the sale of certain surplus Airport vehicles to various bidders.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Egan. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

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COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Mr. Sonntag referred to a complaint he had received from Margaret H. Thompson, 6332 North 26th, relative to lack of a crosswalk and requested the City Manager's Office to contact the lady regarding the complaint.

Mr. Nalley commented regarding operation of the Minority Contractors and requested answers concerning procedures from Mr. Althemer and Mr. Palmquist. He felt that it would be appropriate to hold this discussion at a Study Session with Mr. Althemer and Mr. Palmquist present.

Mayor Johnston commented that it has come to his attention that the dates in which first class cities can consider budgets has been revised by the legislature. He asked that consideration be given to moving the Public Hearing on the budget into November.

Mayor Johnston referred to a communication he received from Clyde B. Gifford, 1401 East 31st, regarding problems on the Eastside of the City. Mayor Johnston moved to suspend the rules to permit Mr. Gifford to be heard. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mr. Gifford, representing the parents of the Eastside Community, spoke of children being molested going to and from school and molesters hiding in the brush on City property. He requested the City clean the area and fence the walkways to and from the school and have patrols at each end of the fence. He also suggested a committee be formed to include at least one resident of the area to study and determine improvements and safety factors.

Mayor Johnston requested the City Manager, with the assistance of City departments as well as the School District, investigate and resolve the problem immediately.

Mr. Gifford presented a petition to the Mayor containing 149 signatures.

Mr. Nalley made a motion that Council ask the State Mediator to appreciate the urgency of the teachers and trustees regarding the strike at Tacoma Community College and do everything possible to settle the strike before the school quarter is cancelled. The motion failed for lack of a second.

On proper motion, the meeting adjourned at 9 p.m.


GORDON JOHNSTON - MAYOR

ATTEST:


H. B. BOND - CITY CLERK