

COUNCIL CHAMBER, 7:30 P. M.

Monday, December 2, 1957.

Council met in regular session. Present on roll call 7. Battin, Bratrud, Goering, Jensen, Perdue, Stojack and Mayor Anderson. Absent 2, Humiston and Tollefson.

It was moved by Mr. Stojack, seconded by Dr. Battin that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved and the reading thereof be dispensed with. Motion carried on roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Humiston, Tollefson.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 15158:

By HUMISTON:

Fixing Monday, December 30, 1957 as the date for hearing on the vacation of East 60th Street from McKinley Avenue to East F Street.

Adopted on roll call December 2, 1957  
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Humiston, Tollefson.

Resolution No. 15159:

By STOJACK:

Fixing Monday, December 30, 1957 as the date for hearing on the vacation of the alley between North 27th Street and North 28th Street from Madison to Monroe.

Adopted on roll call December 2, 1957.  
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Humiston, Tollefson.

Resolution No. 15160:

By TOLLEFSON:

Awarding contract to Titus Motor Company for furnishing 6 two-door sedans, 4 four-door sedans, 1 four-door station wagon and 3 half-ton pickup trucks for the sum of \$21,365.60.

Adopted on roll call December 2, 1957  
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Humiston, Tollefson.

Resolution No. 15161:

By BRATRUD:

Authorizing issuance of a local improvement assessment deed to Kirby P. Hickey for \$400.00 for property located on the north side of Thurston Street between Asotin and Cushman.

Adopted on roll call December 2, 1957  
 Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Humiston, Tollefson.

Resolution No. 15162:

By PERDUE:

Authorizing the City Attorney to enter into a stipulation with the United States Attorney for payment by Bonneville Power Administration to the City the sum of \$77,155.00 for the taking of an easement for right of way for an electric power transmission line 125 feet wide, extending southerly from the Cowlitz Substation, approximately 6 miles.

Mayor Anderson asked Mr. Barline if he would brief the Council on the resolution.

Mr. Barline said the request for the Resolution was thoroughly explanatory. He said this was a piece of property the City has just acquired which extends from the South Tacoma Switching Station to the Cowlitz Substation. He advised that the City needs this additional right of way, as well as the Bonneville Power Administration, so they can build a new tie to the Bonneville transmission line into the Cowlitz substation. Rather than each of them acquiring the property individually, there was a mutual understanding that the City acquire all of the property, then transfer to Bonneville Power Administration the portion they need, he added. "This is done strictly on a percentage basis", he said. The area Bonneville Power Administration proposes to acquire is 42.49% of the acreage--they are paying the City 42.49% of the total cost, which is \$181,000.

Adopted on roll call December 2, 1957  
 Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Humiston, Tollefson.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 15984:

Amending Section 6.64.050 of the Official Code - increasing Occupation Tax on telephone business to eight percent and adding Business and Occupation Tax amounting to two percent on business of transmitting, distributing and selling natural gas. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15985:

Appropriating \$25,000 from the General Fund to be transferred to the Police Relief and Pension Fund; for the purpose of paying claims for back pension to retired police personnel and increased pensions to Police personnel, declaring an emergency and that this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon publication. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 15980:

Amending Section 1 of Ordinance No. 15960 - Abolishing the Municipal

Shops Revolving Fund. (Transferring and placing the amount of \$104,257.00 in Account "B" Equipment Purchase and Replacement Account of the Equipment Rental Fund, which was set forth in the 1957 annual budget.) Read by title and passed.

Roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Humiston and Tollefson.

Ordinance No. 15981:

Amending the Charter and Official Code of the City - relating to Gross Earnings Tax (Water, Light and Garbage Divisions and Sewer Utility). Read by title and passed.

Roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Humiston and Tollefson.

Ordinance No. 15982:

Vacating that portion of the half-street abutting the west side of Block 5, Edward P. Miller's 1st Addition. (property beginning at the centerline of Sprague Avenue and South 17th Street.) Read by title and passed.

Roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Humiston and Tollefson.

Ordinance No. 15983:

Creating and establishing the appointive position of Assistant Director of Finance; providing for the method of appointment and declaring a public emergency making necessary the immediate passage of this ordinance and the taking effect thereof immediately after publication. Read by title.

Mayor Anderson asked Mr. C. A. Gaisford, Director of Finance, if there was someone in his office that could be advanced to this position.

Mr. Gaisford advised that this was a specialized field in Tax Auditing, and that no one in his office was qualified for the position. He added that this was made a general classification so that the person appointed could, not only work in the Business and Occupation Tax Office but could fill in, in the five positions in the Finance Office as well.

Mayor Anderson then asked Mr. Gaisford if there was anyone in his office who was more or less an assistant to him.

Mr. Gaisford advised there was no one, but, he said, he had a Chief Accounting Officer, Tony Bezer, who acts. The only other appointive position in this office is the City Treasurer, who is appointed by the City Manager.

Roll was then called on the ordinance, resulting as follows:

Roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Humiston, Tollefson.

ITEMS RECEIVED FOR FILING IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

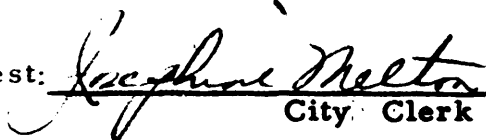
Report on the 47th Examination of the City of Tacoma, filed by the Division of Municipal Corporations.

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Attorney Allan Overland of 115 North Tacoma Avenue appeared before Council to protest the proposed location of an airport in the Gig Harbor area and advised he had petitions signed by approximately <sup>300 to</sup> 1,000 persons in the area. He added that the airport would reduce property values and county tax revenues. He said the area suggested is a potential "Mercer Island" and that the airport would destroy it as a residential area. There are other sites equally desirable for an airport, he added, which do not entail the loss of good residential and tax areas. Mr. Overland said he understood that Puyallup was quite willing to have the airport located in their area. 466

Mayor Anderson asked if anyone else wished to speak before Council. No one responding, the Council adjourned at 8:00 P. M.

  
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President of City Council

Attest:   
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City Clerk