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COUNCIL CHAMBER, 7:35 P. M.

Monday, February 28, 1955.

Council met in regular session. Present 7; Battin, Bratrud, Goering, Hooker, Jensen, Perdue, Stojack; Absent 2, Humiston, Tollefson. In the absence of the Mayor, Mrs. Goering, Vice-chairman of the City Council presided. Mayor Tollefson took his seat at 8:00 P. M.

It was moved by Dr. Battin, Seconded by Mr. Bratrud, that the minutes, copies of which had been mailed by the Clerk to each Councilman be approved and the reading thereof be dispensed with. Motion carried: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Humiston, Tollefson.

PETITIONS:

Herrick K. Allen, Chairman Municipal League School Committee, requesting that opportunities for registration in five or six different locations in the City be made available some week in March, preferably the week of March 21st. A letter was read from the Pierce County Democratic Central Committee, joining in this request. Marc Anderson, acting City Manager, reported that when outside registration was held last summer, the cost was \$200.00 and 200 voters took advantage of the opportunity. The cost this time will be approximately \$350.00 because of overtime pay, but they feel the results will be greater, as there is more demand for the service now and more backing behind the movement. The City Manager favors granting the request, Mr. Anderson added. It was moved by Dr. Battin to grant the petition. Motion seconded by Col. Hooker and carried on roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Humiston, Tollefson.

James Sisson, for license for restaurant at 1520 Broadway. The Director of Health recommends the petition be denied for the reason that the place does not meet the requirements of the Health Department. City Manager concurs in the recommendation. Moved by Col. Hooker to concur in the recommendation. Motion seconded by Mr. Perdue and carried on roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Humiston, Tollefson.

John S. Strauch, et al, requesting that Lots 19 to 24 inc. of Block 2705, Oakland Addition be rezoned from "R-3" District to "C-2" District (located at S. E. corner of Center and South Madison). Referred to City Planning Commission.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 14182.

By BATTIN:

Authorizing Investment Board of City of Tacoma to invest the sum of \$13,000.00 of the moneys in Cumulative Reserve Fund for Providing a new City Hall, in United States Government bonds.

Adopted on roll call February 28, 1955.
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Humiston, Tollefson.

Resolution No. 14183.

By HOOKEER:

Waiving residential requirements as set forth in Sec. 6.3 of the City Charter as to Anthony Bezer, for purpose of his appointment and qualification as Chief Accounting Officer, Department of Finance, for a period of six months from and after March 14, 1955, it being hereby found that such waiver is in the best interest of the City.

Adopted on roll call February 28, 1955.
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Humiston, Tollefson.

Resolution No. 14184.

By HUMISTON:

Authorizing the application of the Town of Ruston to increase its contract demand from 500 kilowatts to 600 kilowatts.

Adopted on roll call February 28, 1955.
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Humiston, Tollefson.

Resolution No. 14185.

By GOERING:

Approving recommendations of the Director of Finance as set forth herein relative to interest rates and maturity dates for the General Obligation Street and Bridge Improvement Bonds, Series "A" of 1955 in amount of \$500,000.00. It was moved by Col. Hooker to suspend Rule 9, seconded by Mr. Perdue and carried unanimously on voice vote. The resolution was then adopted without having been read in full.

Adopted on roll call February 28, 1955.
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Humiston, Tollefson.

Resolution No. 14186.

By GOERING:

Approving recommendations of the Director of Finance as set forth herein relative to interest rates and maturity dates for the General Obligation Street Lighting Bonds, Series "A" of 1955 in amount of \$500,000.00. It was moved by Col. Hooker to suspend Rule 9, Seconded by Mr. Perdue and carried unanimously on voice vote. The resolution was then adopted without having been read in full.

Adopted on roll call February 28, 1955.
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Humiston, Tollefson.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 15259.

Vacating Morrison Street from Waterview to North Mason Avenue and the alley extending from Morrison Street to North 44th Street and lying between Blocks 9 and 11, Mason's Waterfront Addition. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15260.

Authorizing the proper officers of the City of Tacoma to enter into an agreement between the City of Tacoma and the State of Washington, Department of Highways, for the construction of Federal Aid Project No. U-4601 (1), Milwaukee Way Extension; directing the transfer of Seventy-four Thousand Three Hundred Nineteen and 17/100 Dollars (\$74,319.17) from the City Street Fund to the City Street Investment Fund; and authorizing the expenditure of the same pursuant to the terms of the agreement. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15261.

Authorizing and directing the City Attorney of the City of Tacoma to

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purchase certain property to be used for the widening and improving of South 19th Street; and providing for the payment thereof. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15262.

Amending Section 21 of Ordinance No. 14793, entitled: "An ordinance to regulate the location and use of buildings and the use of land within the City of Tacoma; to limit the height of buildings; to prescribe building areas and lines, and for these purposes to divide the City into districts; etc." (Including Self-service laundry in "C-1" Commercial Districts and requiring they provide off-street parking spaces.) Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 15255.

Authorizing the proper officers of the City of Tacoma to enter into a renewal of the lease between the City of Tacoma and Western Steel Casting Company, a corporation; and setting out the terms and provisions thereof. Read by title. It was moved by Mr. Bratrud, seconded by Mr. Perdue to suspend Rule 9, and carried unanimously on voice vote. The ordinance was then passed without having been read in full.

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

Ordinance No. 15256. L. I. D. 5237.

Approving and confirming assessment and assessment roll for cost of improvement in L. I. D. 5237. Read by title. It was moved by Col. Hooker, seconded by Mr. Perdue to suspend rule 9 and carried unanimously on voice vote. The ordinance was then passed without having been read in full.

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

Ordinance No. 15257. L. I. D. 1936.

Providing for the construction of sewers in the alley between Winnifred and Highland Streets from Sixth Avenue to Bantz Boulevard, thence in Sixth Avenue from said alley to Pearl Street; also in Pearl Street from North 7th Street to approximately 300 feet south of Sixth Avenue; creating L I D 1936. Read by title. It was moved by Col. Hooker to suspend Rule 9, seconded by Mr. Perdue and carried unanimously on voice vote. The ordinance was then passed without having been read in full.

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

Ordinance No. 15258.

Regulating travel and traffic on the streets of the City of Tacoma; providing a penalty for the violation thereof; repealing Ordinances Nos. 10598, 11054, 11385, 11617, 11701 and 11965, and all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith; and declaring that this ordinance shall take effect immediately after publication. Read by title. It was moved by Mr. Perdue, seconded by Dr. Battin to suspend Rule 9, and carried unanimously on voice vote. Mrs. Goering called attention to an amendment, which it is necessary to make to this ordinance, copies of which had been furnished each Council member. It was moved by Mr. Jensen, seconded by Mr. Bratrud, to suspend Rule 7, relative to filing of new matter for Council's consideration, in order to take up this amendment. Motion carried unanimously. It was then moved by Dr. Battin to change section 37 of the ordinance to read as follows: "Section 37. Unlawful to Park or Stand an Unlicensed Vehicle. It shall be unlawful for any person to park any vehicle or to permit any vehicle to stand on any public highway of the City of Tacoma unless there shall be displayed on such vehicle the proper number of valid vehicle li-

cense number plates attached in the manner required by the Washington Motor Vehicle Act."; that a new Section 43A be added to the ordinance, to read as follows: "Section 43A. Unlawful Use of Parking Headlamps. Except in an emergency, it shall be unlawful to operate any vehicle upon the public highways of the City of Tacoma during the hours of darkness while said vehicle is lighted only by parking headlamps."; in Section 143B change "Taylor Way from East 11th Street to Southeastern City limits" to "Taylor Way from East 11th to Lincoln Avenue."; in Section 147 change "Taylor Way from East 11th Street to Lincoln Avenue" to "Taylor Way from East 11th to Southeast City Limits." Motion seconded by Col. Hooker and carried on roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Humiston, Tollefson. Mr. Nolan, assistant City Attorney, and Lt. Marshall of the Police Dept. were present and explained the changes in the ordinance, which would bring the City of Tacoma in line with the Uniform Traffic Code as nearly as it could be adapted to conditions in Tacoma. Mr. Nolan called attention to an omission in Section 202, which should have made provision for the ordinance taking effect immediately after publication, and suggested that a motion be made to cover this omission. It was moved by Mr. Perdue that Section 202 be amended by adding: "that immediate passage of this ordinance is necessary for the public safety and convenience of the users of the streets of the City of Tacoma, and that therefore a public emergency exists and this ordinance shall take effect immediately after publication." Motion seconded by Dr. Battin and carried on roll call: Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Humiston, the Mayor having taken his seat just previous to the roll call on this motion. Roll was then called on the passage of the ordinance as amended, resulting as follows:

Roll call: Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Humiston.

NEW BUSINESS:

Marc Anderson presented Marshall McCormick, Assistant City Attorney, who has been looking after the City's interest in Olympia as it pertains to State Legislation being considered by the Legislature which is now in session. Mr. McCormick gave the Council an inside picture of the workings of the two legislative bodies, and told them that 719 House Bills and 533 Senate Bills have been presented so far this session. He informed Council of the present status of various bills affecting the City of Tacoma, such as Police Pension Bills, water pollution, port, classification of cities, liquor closing hours, L I D foreclosures, toll road, liquor tax, etc. and explained the nature of these bills. Mr. Gordon Brown, State Representative, talked on H. B. 597- The Toll Road Bill and stated that 15 amendments to this act were adopted to-day without any objection and it was certain the measure would pass shortly.

Mrs. Goering stated that she had a matter to present to the Council, and asked that she be allowed ten minutes of the Council's time, and that Mayor Tollefson take the chair so she would feel free to talk.

Mayor Tollefson assumed Chairmanship for the balance of the meeting.

Mrs. Goering referred to Ordinance No. 15251, authorizing a grant to the Metropolitan Park District of \$20,000 for grading of a recreational center referred to as Heidelberg Field, which was tabled on February 14th until a report was received from the Park Board, and which she assumes has not been received as yet. Numerous rumors are being circulated as to her reasons for opposing the passage of this ordinance and she would like to clear up these rumors at this time. She said she was primarily interested in the financial cost of the installation and future maintenance costs of the center, and felt that the matter should be more fully investigated and that the citizens of Tacoma have a right to all the facts and to then make up their own minds whether or not they wish to have the Park Board proceed with the venture. It has been estimated by the Park Board that the ultimate cost of this project including covered grandstand, dressing rooms, lights, etc. would be

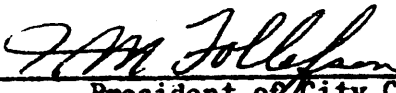
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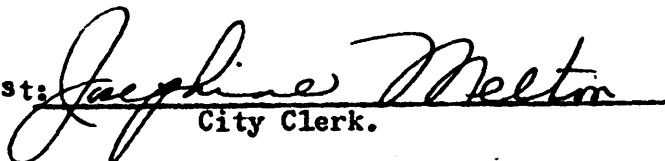
\$412,400 and the yearly maintenance cost would be \$10,500.00, she said. These figures were quoted from a report of a meeting with City Manager and Staff on November 19th. She called attention to the exorbitant cost of the Willow Beach Swimming pool which has reached \$216,444 at present while the estimate was \$200,000, and that maintenance is estimated at \$19,223 yearly for a maximum operation of fourteen weeks a year. She warned the City Council that the City Budget could not stand taking a half million from it, if and when the City has to assume operation of the Park District, and felt that more careful planning by the Park Board and closer cooperation with the City should be practiced. As to the strings in the naming of the field, she said that at a meeting at the Top of the Ocean on January 12th, Marshall Riconosciuto, representing the donor, Heidelberg Brewery, in reply to a question as to the naming of the field, had said that the one condition upon which the donation was made was that it be named Heidelberg Field, and to her knowledge that statement has not been retracted, so she felt there most certainly were strings attached to the gift.

Upon motion, duly seconded and carried, Council then adjourned at 9:05 P.M.



President of City Council.

Attest:



City Clerk.