

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers  
March 14, 1972

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Deputy Mayor Jarstad, who stated that because of a lack of quorum last week, the Council would consider the Council Agenda of March 7, 1972, as the first order of business.

Present on roll call - 8: Egan, Herrmann, Maule, Moss, Nalley, Schroeder, Sonntag and Deputy Mayor Jarstad. Absent - 1: Mayor Johnston.

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CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of 1972 Budget Hearings of December 1, 2, 3, 6 and 7, 1971.

PETITIONS:

(For referral to the City Planning Commission)

- a. Candoo & Associates - requesting rezoning of the east side of Thompson Avenue approximately 105 feet south of South 37th Street from an "R-3" to an "R-4" District.
- b. Harold W. Jewell - requesting rezoning between South 10th and South 12th Streets and from Whitman to Vassault Streets from an "R-4-LPRD" to an "R-4-L" District.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 21549 Fixing Tuesday, March 21, 1972 at 7:00 P.M. as the date of the public meeting for the preliminary plat of Gregory Park Addition in the area of the north side of East 68th Street between the Flume Line right-of-way of Pipeline Road and Homestead Avenue. (SE&A Consulting Engineers & Planners)

Resolution No. 21550 Fixing Tuesday, April 11, 1972 at 7:00 P.M. as the date for hearing the request for vacation of a 20-foot section of right-of-way approximately 180 feet west of Roosevelt Avenue from Gregory Street to 310 feet north. (Tacoma School District No. 10)

ASSESSMENT ROLLS:

The Director of Public Works presents Assessment rolls for the following:

LID 3718 for sanitary sewers along East "D" Street from East 75th to East 79th Street; East 75th Street from East "D" to East "F" Street and other nearby streets.

LID 3721 for sanitary sewers along Manitou Way from South 50th Street south to approximately 300' south of South 52nd Street; South 52nd Street from Manitou Way west approximately 250'.

LID 4910 for permanent paving along South 7th from Mullen Street to Ruson Street; South 47th Street from Assin Street to Alaska Street; South 67th Street from Thompson Avenue to Yakima Avenue and other nearby streets.

LID 4938 for permanent paving along Mason Avenue from South 7th Street to South 8th Street; South 49th Street from Asotin Street to Alaska Street; South 61st Street from Yakima Avenue to Thompson Avenue and other nearby streets.

LID 4948 for permanent paving along South 8th Street from Stevens Street to Verde Street and Verde Street from South 9th to South 10th; also storm drainage only in Verde Street from South 8th to South 9th Street.

Fixing Monday, April 10, 1972 at 4:00 P.M. as the date for hearing.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of Tacoma Employees' Retirement System meeting of January 27, 1972.
- b. Monthly report, Personnel Department, December, 1971.
- c. Monthly report, Tacoma Employees' Retirement System of purchases and sales of investments, February, 1972.
- d. Monthly report, Police Department, Traffic Division, January, 1972.
- e. Monthly report, Director of Finance, December, 1971.

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Dr. Herrmann moved that the Consent Agenda, including Resolutions No. 21549 and 21550, be approved as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Maule. The motion passed on voice vote.

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REGULAR AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- a. This is the date set for hearing the request for rezoning of of the west side of Sprague Avenue between South 78th and 80th Streets from an "R-2" to an "M-1" District. (Planning Commission 2-7-72 recommended approval 6-0, 3 absent) (David V. Shecan & Associates, Inc.)

Mr. Buehler, City Planning Director, explained the proposed rezoning, pointing out that the petitioner had met all the standards and requirements for Parcel A. He noted that Parcel B would be processed later under a separate contract.

Speaking in favor of the rezone was Mr. William Kellis, 3320 North 21st Street, representing Mr. Shecan & Associates, Inc.

Mr. Maule made a motion to concur with the Planning Commission, seconded by Mr. Schroeder and passed by a voice vote.

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- b. This is the date set for hearing Wm. Edwards Construction Company's (Forrester Realty & Mortgage Company) appeal on the Planning Commission's decision to deny their request for rezoning the north side of North 26th Street between Vassault and Narrows Drive from an "R-1" to an "R-4-LPRD" District. (1-3-72 Planning Commission recommended denial 9-0.)

Mr. Buehler explained the history behind the petition of the Wm. Edwards Construction Company which extended back to June 30, 1967 when Forrester Realty & Mortgage Company, acting as an agent for Edwards Construction Company, filed an original application with the City. He noted that Mr. Edwards was advised by letter if he wished to submit any new information relative to his proposed development, to do so prior to December 3, 1971, in order to allow sufficient time for departmental review. No additional information was forthcoming and the Planning Commission ultimately recommended denial January 3, 1972 by a vote of 9 to 0.

No one appeared at the meeting speaking in favor of Edwards Construction Company. However, speaking against the proposal and for the denial were the following: Mr. Denis Keene, President of the Skyline Club, 2730 North Vassault; Mr. Dan McCray, 2824 North Bristol and Mr. Fred Garnsey, 2628 North Vassault Street.

Mrs. Egan made a motion to concur in the recommendation of denial by the Planning Commission, seconded by Mr. Moss and the voice vote carried.

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FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 19530 Authorizing condemnation of certain properties to be used for the construction of the Bayside Drive.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes - 7: Herrmann, Maule, Moss, Nalley, Schroeder, Sonntag and Deputy Mayor Jarstad.  
Nays - 1: Egan. Absent - 1: Mayor Johnston.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 19531 Providing for the improvement of L.I.D. 3728 for sanitary sewers in South Tyler from South 74th Street north approximately 800 feet.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes - 8: Egan, Herrmann, Maule, Moss, Nalley, Schroeder, Sonntag and Deputy Mayor Jarstad.  
Nays - 0. Absent - 1: Mayor Johnston.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 19532 Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L. I. D. 4956 for paving of American Lake Blvd. from South Gove to South Mullen Street.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes - 8: Egan, Herrmann, Maule, Moss, Nalley, Schroeder, Sonntag and Deputy Mayor Jarstad.  
Nays - 0. Absent - 1: Mayor Johnston.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 19533 Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to include the East side of Custer Road between South 56th and South 62nd extended from an "SR-9" and "RMH" to an "R-4-LT" District. (City Planning Commission)

The ordinance was set over for final reading.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 21551 Authorizing the execution of an agreement with Tacoma Harley-Davidson, Inc., for one year commencing April 1, 1972, for the leasing of motorcycles.

Police Chief Smith pointed out that this is the second year the City has entered into a contract with the Harley-Davidson, Inc. of Tacoma and that they both find it to their mutual benefits. He said the new contract does reflect a 6% increase in cost.

Dr. Herrmann moved to adopt the resolution, seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote was taken with the following results:

Ayes - 8. Nays - 0. Absent - 1: Mayor Johnston.  
The Resolution was declared adopted.

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Acting Mayor Jarstad continued over Items 14 through 16 to follow the next Agenda and concluded this Agenda at 7:45 P. M.

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C O N S E N T   A G E N D A

Approval of the minutes of the meetings of February 22nd, February 29th and March 7th, 1972, as submitted.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 21552

Fixing Tuesday, March 28, 1972 at 7:00 P.M. as the date for hearing the request for rezoning the east side of Pacific Ave. between Spooner and South 78th Streets extended east from an "R-2" and "R-4-L" to an "R-2-T" and "R-4-LT" District.  
(R.B. Strobel & H. Roy Farrington)

Resolution No. 21553

Fixing Tuesday, March 28, 1972 at 7:00 P.M. as the date for hearing the request for rezoning the south side of South 82nd between Hosmer and Alaska Streets from an "R-2" to an "R-3" District. (Golden Ridge, Inc.)

Resolution No. 21554

Fixing Monday, April 24, 1972 at 4:00 P.M. as the date for hearing L.I.D. No. 3722 for sanitary sewers in the Port Industrial Area.

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ASSESSMENT ROLLS:

The Director of Public Works presents the Assessment Roll for the following:

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LID 6928 installing modern street lights on existing wood poles at street intersections along No. Hawthorne Street from 6th Avenue to North 9th Street.

Fixing Monday, April 10, 1972 at 4:00 P.M. as the date for hearing.

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ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of Public Utility Board meeting of February 23, 1972.
- b. Minutes of Special Meeting of Board of Park Commissioners, February 24th and regular meeting of February 28th, 1972.
- c. Minutes of Planning Coalition meeting, March 2, 1972.
- d. Monthly report, Municipal Court of Tacoma, Traffic Violations and Court Cases, February 1971 and 1972.
- e. Monthly report, Workload for Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment, February, 1972.
- f. Dept. of Public Works filing Update Cost Estimate, Urban Arterial Project No. 8-1-128(04), Phase D; No. 8-1-128(04) Phase C; and No. 8-1-128(26)
- g. Dept. of Civil Defense filing Personnel and Administrative Claim for February, 1972.
- h. Light Division, Water Division, Belt Line Division, Annual Financial Report, December 31, 1971.
- i. State Auditor filing Report of Examination for Tacoma Industrial Airport for year 1970.

Dr. Herrmann moved to approve all of the items listed on the CONSENT AGENDA, including Resolutions 21552, 21553 and 21554, as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote taken, and carried. The items were declared approved.

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REGULAR AGENDA

COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. Shoreline Management Permit Application - Pierce County Chlorine Contact Facilities for Tacoma's West Slope Treatment Plant.
- b. City Planning Commission recommending establishment of a Reserve Fund for Waterfront Acquisition and Development.
- c. Civil Service Board submitting their proposed Resident Employment Plan which has been submitted to the Model Cities Executive Board.

Mr. Jarstad moved to place the items on file, seconded by Dr. Herrmann.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- a. This is the date set for hearing the request for rezoning the north side of South 88th Street between Pacific Avenue and South "C" Street extended from an "R-2" to a "C-1" District. (2-7-72 Planning Commission recommended approval 6-0, 3 absent.) (Pochel Distributing Company)

Mr. Buehler, Planning Dept. Director, reviewed for Council the reasons for the Planning Commission's recommendation for approving this rezone request.

Dr. Herrmann moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission, seconded by Mr. Moss. Voice vote carried.

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b. This is the date set for hearing the request for rezoning the south side of South 72nd Street between Ash and Alaska Streets from an "R-2" to an "R-4-L" and "C-2" District. (2-7-72 Planning Commission recommended approval 6-1, 2 absent) (Edwin C. Brenden).

Mr. Buehler, Planning Dept. Director, reviewed the Planning Commission's reasons for recommending approval of the rezone.

Mr. Hal Murtland, representing the petitioner, advised that there is to be a Shell Oil station built on this area. There will be two accesses to the station on 72nd Street. The service station will be used primarily for freeway traffic. The petitioner is willing to accept restrictions placed by the Planning Commission.

Mr. Bob Grant, representing Shell Oil Company, said there will be an access to Ash Street and the station will not generate a great deal of traffic as it will be merely servicing vehicles passing along the freeway. He also advised that they would agree to the conditions as outlined by the Planning Commission.

Mr. Edwin Brenden, the petitioner, advised that he has plans to develop the remaining property in a year or two.

Mayor Johnston arrived at 8:15 P.M.

Mr. Buehler requested that in addition to the restrictions outlined by the Planning Commission, that an additional condition be placed on the service station, and that is that the sign height limit shall be 35 feet.

Mr. Sonntag moved to amend the restrictions to include a height limit of 35 feet for the sign. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Voice vote approved. Mr. Schroeder moved to approve the rezone as recommended by the Planning Commission with the additional restriction on sign height. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann.

Voice vote taken and carried with two dissenting (Egan and Nalley).

PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Johnston proclaimed the week of March 12 through March 18, 1972 as "Girl Scout Week".

Mr. Schroeder left at 8:30 P.M.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 19534

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to accept the additional sum of

\$110,000 from the U. S. of America for the Public Employment Program and appropriating from said Public Employment Program Fund the sum of \$110,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purpose of carrying on the program.

Mrs. Regina Glenn, the Manpower Coordinator for the City, explained that this is a one year grant. It will cover 42 jobs and take in the entire Pierce County area, including Schools, Port, Pierce County and City.

After discussion the ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Mr. Jarstad and Mr. Nalley moved for a 10 minute recess. The meeting reconvened at 8:45 P.M.

Ordinance No. 19535

Amending Section 1.12.220 of the Official Code by adding subsection I and providing for the termination and expiration date relative to two additional vacation days for calendar year 1972.

Councilman Sonntag explained his reasons for requesting the ordinance for the two days additional vacation. When a resolution was brought to Council a couple of weeks ago, he was advised by the Legal Dept. by a legal opinion, that the resolution providing for two extra holidays for January 25th and 26th was illegal. Consequently, he asked that the ordinance setting up the termination and expiration dates of the two additional vacations be brought to Council.

Mr. Lewis C. Hatfield, Chairman of the Civil Service Board, explained to the Council the Board's feeling regarding the granting of the two additional days vacation for City employees. He explained that one of the main reasons for the request was because certain refuse collectors had reported to work on the morning of January 25th, the day of the big storm, and were sent home. Some refuse collectors were permitted to work, others were told to go home. The following day, some were told to stay home and others were permitted to work. Consequently, this was not felt to be equal treatment of the employees under the intent of Civil Service. Because of this and other instances, and in light of the fact that there was no "voice of the City" speaking for the administration advising employees whether they should be at work or not, confusion resulted and the Board felt that a compromise of this sort would be in order.

It was the feeling of some Council members that an action of this nature would set a precedent. There were Council members also who felt granting of additional days of vacation, in some instances, would cost the City additional money.

Mr. Dino Batali, representing the Teamster's Union, advised Council that 75% of the Teamsters were paid those days of the snow storm. He felt that next year contingencies of this nature would be a negotiable item.

Fred Van Camp, Civil Service League representative, spoke in favor of the ordinance.

Mayor Johnston requested the City Manager to put together an approximate cost to the City of these additional vacation days and present these figures to the Council next week before roll call is taken on the ordinance.

The ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

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Ordinance No. 19536

Amending Section 1.12.390 of the pay and compensation plan relative to salary adjustments for certain technical engineers effective January 1, 1972.

Mr. Stanley Bixel, Personnel Director, explained that this ordinance covered those positions which were not covered in the salary and wage proposals granted by Council last December. At that time there were two groups that had not come to agreement with the management team. The matter was placed in the hands of the State Mediator. The ordinance is a result of the findings of the State Mediator.

This ordinance was placed in order for final reading next week.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 21555

Authorizing the sale of certain real property in Barker's Addition to Tacoma by competitive bid and directing the monies realized from such sale to the Board of Trustees of the Tacoma Public Library.

Mrs. Egan moved to adopt the resolution, seconded by Dr. Herrmann.

Voice vote: Ayes - 8. Nays - 0. Absent - 1: Mr. Schroeder.  
The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 21556

Authorizing the adoption of a program for community improvement (Workable Program) for 1972-1973.

Dr. Herrmann moved to adopt the resolution. Seconded by Mr. Moss.

Mr. Gary Sullivan, Urban Renewal Director, advised Council that this program is for one year. He also reported that there was an error made on Page 7 and submitted to Council a substitute Page 7.

Mrs. Egan moved to substitute the revised Page 7, seconded by Mr. Moss. Voice vote carried.

Mr. Ted Amel spoke in favor of the resolution.

Voice vote was taken on the resolution as follows:  
Ayes - 7. Nays - 0. Absent - 2: Mr. Schroeder. Mr. Sonntag (temporarily).  
The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 21557

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Boeing Company for furnishing a systems analysis of the City Transit Operation.

Dr. Herrman Moved to adopt the resolution. Seconded by Mrs. Egan.

Mr. Harvey Singleton, Consultant, presently employed in providing an analysis of the Transit services, advised Council that this resolution would provide an agreement with the Boeing Company for services of their engineers in making an analysis of the City transit operations. The Boeing Company has had an individual



working in the Transit Dept. for the past 5 weeks at Boeing's expense. In order to continue this service it will be necessary for the City to enter into an agreement with the Boeing Company and the City would then be responsible for the expenses incurred for this analysis service. He explained that the City would benefit from this, as it will lead to improved services.

Mr. Donaldson, City Manager, advised that it is hoped that this survey and analysis made by the Boeing people will reduce the losses currently encountered by the Transit system.

Mr. Hendry, Transit Director, recommended approval of the resolution.

Mr. John Zelenak, 5414 South "J" and Mr. George Goe, 414 North Yakima, spoke against the resolution.

Voice vote: Ayes - 6. Nays - 1: Nalley. Absent - 2: Schroeder. Sonntag(temporarily)  
The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 21558

Authorizing the execution of a lease agreement with Harvey Benson d/b/a Agricultural Dealers Supply for a certain portion of Municipal Dock Building for a period of five years for a rental of \$1,245 per month.

Dr. Herrmann moved to adopt the resolution, seconded by Mrs. Egan.

Mr. Leonard Morse, Deputy Property Clerk, advised the Council that the prior lease was a month to month lease for a portion of the building at a rent of \$430 a month. The new lease is a 5 year lease for the entire building at a rent of \$1,245 per month.

Voice vote: Ayes - 7. Nays - 0. Absent - 2: Schroeder. Sonntag(temporarily).  
The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 21559

Authorizing the execution of a modification of Lease Agreement between the City of Tacoma and Mrs. Josephine Strom for premises located at 1710-1712 South K Street.

Mayor Johnston moved that this resolution be continued for one week, seconded by Mrs. Egan.

Voice vote: Ayes - 7. Nays - 2. Absent - 2: Schroeder. Sonntag(temporarily).  
The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 21560

Authorizing the proper officer of the City to make application for on-the-job training proposal (TMRP) with the Employment Security Dept., State of Washington.

Mrs. Egan moved to adopt the resolution, seconded by Mr. Maule.

Voice vote: Ayes - 7. Nays - 0. Absent - 2: Schroeder. Sonntag(temporarily).  
The Resolution was declared adopted.

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Resolution No. 21561

Amending Resolution No. 21458 relative to salary and wages of certain classified and project positions of the Emergency Employment Project.

Dr. Herrmann moved to adopt the resolution, seconded by Mrs. Egan.

Voice vote: Ayes - 7. Nays - 0. Absent - 2: Schroeder. Sonntag(temporarily).  
The resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 21562

Authorizing the execution of an application for a grant in the sum of \$32,000 under the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 for a community relations project entitled "Community Involvement for Improved Communications."

Dr. Herrmann moved to adopt the resolution, seconded by Mrs. Egan.

Police Chief Smith explained the program to Council.

Councilman Nalley asked the Manager's office to submit a report, or study, on all federal grants that the City is participating in, how long they may last, and what amounts of monies are involved.

Mr. Donaldson, City Manager, suggested that a study session be scheduled with Council members to discuss this matter. He said a report is already in progress.

Voice vote: Ayes - 7. Nays - 0. Absent - 2: Schroeder. Sonntag(temporarily).  
The resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 21563

Authorizing the execution of a project agreement between the City of Tacoma and the Urban Arterial Board for Project No. 8-1-128(42) South 25th from State Street to Pacific Avenue.

Dr. Herrmann moved to adopt the resolution, seconded by Mr. Moss.

Voice vote: Ayes - 7. Nays - 0. Absent - 2: Schroeder. Sonntag(temporarily).  
The resolution was declared adopted.

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Resolution No. 21564

Awarding contract to Lige Dickson Company on its bid of \$4,522.60 for construction of right turn lane at S.W. corner of South 19th and Sprague Avenue constituting Improvement No. 4844, Unit "C".

Mr. Masile moved to adopt the resolution, seconded by Dr. Herrmann.

Voice vote: Ayes - 7. Nays - 0. Absent - 2: Schroeder. Sonntag(temporarily).  
The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 21565

Accepting the bid of John D. Dobler in the sum of \$46,200.00 for the purchase of Parcel 13B in Urban Renewal Project Wash. R-3.

Dr. Herrmann moved to adopt the resolution, seconded by Mrs. Egan.

Mr. Gary Sullivan, Urban Renewal Director, described the proposed project for Council and advised that the traffic problem in the area would be worked out.

Mr. John Dobler advised Council that he is ready and willing to meet all set-back requirements for the proposed Town House project.

Voice vote: Ayes - 7. Nays - 0. Absent - 2: Schroeder. Sonntag(temporarily).  
The Resolution was declared adopted.

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CITIZENS REQUESTS TO BE HEARD:

John Zelenak, 5414 South "J", spoke to Council regarding the leasing of the Allied Arts Building and the planning of downtown Tacoma.

George W. Goe, 414 North Yakima, spoke to Council regarding the need for additional police officers in South Tacoma.

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COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mr. Jarstad commented on the Planning Department's request that \$30,000 a year for the next several years be set aside to acquire waterfront properties, and asked how the Council would go about funding this.

Mr. Donaldson, City Manager, said that his feeling was that the Planning Dept. was asking the Council to consider the establishment of a fund, and as monies became available that they be earmarked for matching purposed for other open space projects.

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Mr. Nalley requested City Manager Donaldson to prepare a report in the near future on the status of the City property inventory and computerization program, together with future plans.

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Mayor Johnston asked Public Works Director Schuster for a brief report on weather damage the City sustained in recent months, in view of Pierce County being declared a semi-disaster area. Schuster replied that snow and rain damage to City streets, slide removals and estimate costs for repairs would exceed \$198,000. He said his department had only \$21,000 budgeted to take care of such emergencies and that additional monies will have to be found.

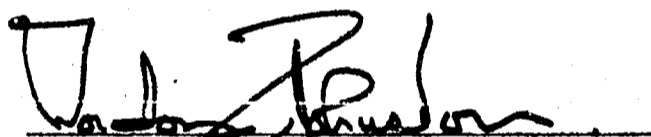
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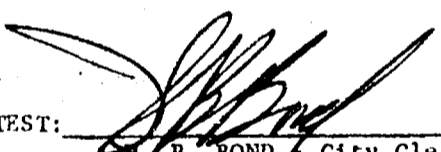
Mayor Johnston moved, seconded by Mr. Moss, that a three-man committee be named to discuss the Resident Employment Plan recently approved by the Civil Service Board, and bring to the Council a "common" recommendation that would be agreeable to the Civil Service Board and the Model Cities Executive Board. Appointed to the Committee were a representative of the Civil Service Board (to be named by the Board), Mr. James Walton, and City Councilman Dick Sonntag. Voice vote carried unanimously.

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ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. Herrmann moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Mr. Moss. The meeting adjourned at 11:20 P.M.

  
GORDON N. JOHNSTON - Mayor

ATTEST:   
R. B. BOND City Clerk