

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers, 4:00 P. M.
Tuesday, June 18, 1968

Council met in regular session. Present on roll call 9: Banfield, Bott Cvitanich, Finnigan, Herrmann, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.

Mrs. Banfield moved that the minutes of the meeting of June 4th, 1968 be approved as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

HEARINGS & APPEALS:

a. This is the date set for hearing for rezoning of the south side of So. 82nd St. between Hosmer & Alaska Sts., from an "R-2" to an "R-4-L" District, submitted by Silver Falcon, Inc.

Mr. Buehler, Director of Planning, explained that the applicants have requested the reclassification in order to construct a thirty-two unit apartment. The Planning Commission felt that, since a large portion of the abutting property to the west fronts on Hosmer St., a freeway frontage road, and therefore qualifies for freeway commercial zoning consideration, that this request for an "R-4-L" zoning meets the intent section of the zoning ordinance. There is also an "R-4-L-PRD" District abutting the site to the east, he added.

Mr. Don Schweger, Secretary-Treasurer of Silver Falcon, Inc., 9842 Gravelly Lake Drive, SW., explained their company had been in business since March of 1965 and it is composed of a group of forty-seven air force officers who formed the corporation for land investment and development. Mr. Schweger remarked they felt the rezoning request was in the best interest of the City and hoped the Council would approve same.

No protests being made, Dr. Herrmann moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the rezone and that an ordinance be drafted approving same. Seconded by Mr. Bott. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

b. This is the date set for hearing for rezoning of the north side of So. 90th St. east side of Interstate 5 and approximately 900 feet west of Hosmer St. from a "C-F-P" to an "R-4-L" District., submitted by Oscar Hokold.

Mr. Buehler, Director of Planning, explained this request is for an extension of an existing "R-4-L" District which is presently being developed by the petitioner.

No one appearing and no protests being made, Mr. Finnigan moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the rezone and that an ordinance be drafted approving same. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

c. This is the date set for the continued hearing for the establishment of a limited access highway to extend from So. 23rd to So. 19th St. lying parallel to and west of the existing Sprague Ave.

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Mr. M. B. Helmersen, 1937 So. Sprague, inquired if it would stop such action if the property owners filed a petition against Sprague Ave. being designated as a one-way street.

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, explained, as far as the one-way street designation is concerned, he felt the City Council's determination would be based on the traffic engineering department's recommendation.

Mayor Rasmussen explained, it was his understanding that by the adoption of this particular piece of legislation, the Council is only establishing the limited access on the new section of the highway, and that a request for a one-way street or restricted parking will be introduced at a later date.

Mr. Schuster, Public Works Director, explained that the limitation on this area is the access into and off of So. 19th St. The proposal is to permit only access from Sprague Ave. onto 19th St., and not from 19th St. onto Sprague Ave. There has not been any intention of making So. Sprague Ave. itself a one-way street between 19th and 21st, but, he added, some of the property owners have proposed that this be done.

After further discussion, Mrs. Banfield moved that the Council adopt the findings of facts relative to the establishment of a limited access highway to extend from So. 23rd to So. 19th St., lying parallel to and west of the existing Sprague Ave. Seconded by Mr. Bott. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

PETITION:

Petition submitted by Whitson Construction Co., Inc. requesting rezoning of the S. E. corner of So. 47th & Cedar from an "R-3" to an "R-4-L" District.

Referred to the Tacoma Planning Commission.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 19732 (postponed from the meeting of June 4, 1968)

Rejecting all bids for LID's 2382, 2388 & 2400 as they exceed the Engineer's estimate.

Mr. Schuster, Director of Public Works, explained this resolution was held over at the Council's request so that the Public Works Staff could contact property owners who would be affected by this local improvement district. The majority of the owners indicated they wished the bids rejected, so it is still the staff's recommendation that the bids be rejected, he added.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.
Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 19744 (postponed from the meeting of June 11th, 1968)

Authorizing the proper officers to expend the sum of \$7,060.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the cost of Tacoma's share of said Air Transportation System Advance Plan study from the Puget Sound Governmental Conference.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, explained that he had recently talked with the Port of Tacoma Commissioners, however, their Board does not meet until Wednesday, June 19th. He hoped that since they had been involved in the initial proceedings regarding the Airport, they might participate in the cost of this study.

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

Ayes 4: Finnigan, Herrmann, Johnson and Murtland.

Nays 5: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen. Absent 0.

The Resolution was declared Lost by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 19746

Fixing Tuesday, July 16, 1968 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for hearing for the vacation of portions of West Union Ave. and So. 16th St. between the south-westerly line of Union Ave. & So. 17th Street. (Petition by Fred W. Brockhoff)

Mrs. Banfield moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.

Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 19747

Fixing Monday, July 8th, 1968 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for hearing for L I D 5467 for water mains in the area bounded by So. 40th St., Alder St., So. 48th St. and Junett Street.

Mrs. Banfield moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.

Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 19748

Authorizing the sale of certain equipment to the town of Fircrest.

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

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.

Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 19749

Authorizing a partial release of easement on property at South "I" St. north of Center Street in order to clear title.

Mr. Finnigan moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.

Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 19750

Authorizing the execution of the renewal of the lease between the City and the United States Coast Guard for certain moorage space for Coast Guard patrol boats in the Municipal Dock building commencing from July 1, 1968 to June 30th, 1970.

Mr. Cvitanich moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Banfield.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.
Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 19751

Awarding contracts for the furnishing of the annual supply of heating fuel requirements for the period of July 1, 1968 through June 30th, 1969, to various bidders.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Banfield.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.
Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 19752

Accepting certain offers to sell real property from R. W. Wonders, etal for the amount of \$28,000.00 at 1126 Market Street; New Tacoma Urban Renewal Project No. Wash. R-14.

Mr. Finnigan moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann.

Mr. James Wright, Director of Urban Renewal, explained that the property at 1126 Market St. is owned by the Wonders' family. There is a one story frame building which was built in 1889, the assessed value is \$9,290 and the 1968 taxes are \$786.86.

Mr. Zatkovich asked how this sale price compares to the appraisal value.

Mr. Wright stated he did not have the appraisal information with him, however, negotiations are based on the appraisal price and it has been approved by the U. S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development.

Mrs. Banfield felt that Mr. Wright should obtain the appraisal price for the Council's information before a vote is taken on the resolution.

Mr. Wright stated he felt the appraisal price was a matter of confidence between the Urban Renewal staff, appraisers and officials of the U. S. Dept. of Housing & Urban Development. He explained, when appraisals are made for the Urban Renewal Dept. then a property survey is made and a recheck of the appraisal work is done, after which a 'concurd in price' is determined. This is the only price that the department is allowed to disclose during project negotiations.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, felt this type of information should be given the City Council in confidence.

Mayor Rasmussen felt that the City Council should be given all information on urban renewal property negotiations, therefore, he stated, such data must be furnished the Council in the future.

Mr. Wright explained the procedures and the urban renewal plan.

Mr. Cvitanich felt the original urban renewal plan was not being carried out because a rest home is being considered that would be located next to the new fire station in the Fawcett Urban Renewal area.

Mr. Wright explained that he felt the Planning Commission would be approving such a location on the basis of planning, not on the basis of urban renewal.

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

Ayes 7; Bott, Finnigan, Herrmann, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.

Nays 2: Banfield and Cvitanich. Absent 0.

The Resolution was declared passed by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 19753

Classifying Arterials in the City of Tacoma into three functional classes in order that the City may continue to participate in the Urban Arterial Construction Program.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Johnson.

Mr. Robert Anderson, City Engineer, explained that the State Law provides that the Urban Arterial Board must review and revise the classification for the urban arterials as necessary, to conform with its uniform standards for classifying urban arterials. Therefore, this suggested classification for Tacoma reflects the application of these standards. At a meeting on June 27th, 1968 the Urban Arterial Board will review these classifications and then, perhaps recommend revisions.

Mr. Anderson further stated, the functional classification plans to be adopted by the Board are to be used in the Urban Arterial Program and serve as the basis for their appropriation request to the 1969 Legislature.

Mr. Anderson pointed out the Major Arterials, Secondary Arterials and Collector Arterials on a map prepared by his department. He felt it was to the best interest of the City to comply with the State Law in order that Tacoma may continue to participate in the Urban Arterial Construction Program.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.
Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 19754

Appropriating the sum of \$3,025.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Cumulative Reserve Fund for Capital Outlay M & O for the purpose of purchasing office equipment for the City Manager's office and the Health Department.

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

Mr. Johnson then moved to adopt the substitute resolution as submitted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Mrs. Banfield mentioned that a new executive chair had been purchased two years ago for the then Health Director.

Mr. Rowlands stated the chair obtained in 1966 would be handed down to another person in the department.

Mr. Bott was concerned as to whether the County was paying its share of the Health Dept. operations.

Mr. Clar Gaisford, Director of Finance, assured the City Council they

were paying their share.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.
Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 19755

Authorizing the Director of Personnel to continue the policy of non-discrimination against persons suffering physical disabilities in the acceptance of applications for Civil Service positions in the City of Tacoma.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Banfield.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.
Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Resolution No. 19756

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute for and on behalf of the City an agreement with the United States Post Office for the transportation of postal employees engaged in official business upon the City Transit buses commencing July 1, 1968 and ending June 30, 1969.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Johnson.

Mr. Cvitanich asked why there wasn't a slight increase from (22 1/2 c) per ride.

Mr. Rowlands explained this was an agreement tendered to the City by the Postmaster General and this policy had been in effect for a number of years.

Mr. Murtland wished to know the rate when the original agreement was signed.

After further discussion, Mrs. Banfield moved that the resolution be set over for one week, until Tues. June 25th, 1968 so that more information may be obtained. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Roll call was taken on the motion, resulting as follows: Ayes 5: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen. Nays 4: Finnigan, Herrmann, Johnson and Murtland. Motion carried. 67-13

The Resolution was postponed until Tuesday, June 25th, 1968.

Resolution No. 19757

Submitting to the qualified electors of the City of Tacoma a proposition to be put on the ballot for the Sept. 17th, 1968 primary election as to whether or not the City of Tacoma should engage in a program of fluoridation of its domestic water system.

Mrs. Banfield said that she wished this resolution removed from the agenda so that another resolution might be brought in next week, stating there will be no flouridation of the water supply in Tacoma without first being submitted by a proposition on the ballot for the vote of the people. She also suggested that the Utility Board be contacted in regard to this matter.

Mr. Bott moved that Resolution No. 19757 be removed from the agenda. Seconded

by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

The Resolution was removed from the Agenda.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 18610

Vacating the west side of Alaska St. between So. 88th & 90th Sts. and the north side of So. 90th between Alaska St. and a point approximately 240 feet west thereof. (petition of John Hergert)

The ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 18611

Vacating right-of-way located between So. 10th & 12th Sts. from Villard to Shirley Streets. (petition of Jackson W. Bailey)

The ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 18612

Appropriating the sum of \$4,050.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the General Fund of the City for the purpose of purchasing (14) compartments and hangars for Fire Dept. vehicles.

The ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 18590 (postponed from the meeting of June 11th, 1968)

Amending Chapter 6.20.050 of the official code of the City to amend the compensation for the Board of Examiners for the Engineer & Firemen's licenses to thirty dollars per month.

Mr. Rowlands remarked that the information requested by the Council last week is being typed, in regard to Boards and Commissions, and suggested that this ordinance be held over for one week.

Mrs. Banfield moved that Ordinance No. 18590 be postponed until Tuesday, June 25th, 1968. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

The Ordinance was postponed until Tues. June 25th, 1968.

Ordinance No. 18606

Appropriating the sum of \$40,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the General Fund for the purpose of acquiring certain real property along Ruston Way.

Mr. Zatkovich moved to postpone the ordinance for two weeks, until July 2nd, 1968. Seconded by Mr. Bott.

Mr. Zatkovich stated he had been doing some investigating and felt that the Council should be more informed about this matter before voting.

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Mayor Rasmussen stated that during the two-week postponement, the Council might meet with the Tacoma Port Commission and request its financial cooperation in the venture.

Mr. Cvitanich said he has found that this has become much more complex and broader in scope than he ever imagined it could, therefore he felt this postponement was necessary.

Mayor Rasmussen stated there is no question in the merits of this project, but there is a question about acceleration in the appropriations in the future.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, also felt this should be discussed with the Tacoma Port Commissioners.

Mayor Rasmussen said that the owners of the Top of the Ocean restaurant had stated they wished to sell some of their land to the City. He requested that Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, look into the matter.

Roll call was taken on the motion to postpone the ordinance; Ayes 6: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Johnson, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen. Nays 3: Finnigan, Herrmann and Murtland. Absent 0. Motion carried.

The Ordinance was postponed until Tuesday, July 2nd, 1968.

Ordinance No. 18607

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the official code of the City by adding a new section 13.06.050-22 to include property on the S. W. corner of So. 54th and L Sts. in an "R-3" District. (petition of Alvin L. Morris & Sons, Inc.)

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

Ayes 9; Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Finnigan, Herrmann, Johnson, Murtland, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.

Nays 0; Absent 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18608

Approving and confirming the Assessment Roll for L I D 3642 for sanitary sewers in the vicinity of So. 92nd and Hosmer Sts.

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

Ayes 9: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Finnigan, Herrmann, Johnson, Murtland Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.

Nays 0; Absent 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18609

Approving and confirming the Assessment Roll for L I D 4800 for pavement on Union Ave. from So. 12th St. to approximately 300 feet north of So. 28th St.

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

Ayes 8: Banfield, Bott, Cvitanich, Finnigan, Herrmann, Johnson, Murtland and Zatkovich.

Nays 1; Mayor Rasmussen Absent 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Director of Public Works presents the assessment roll for the cost of L I D 4806 for alley paving between L & K Sts. from No. 9th to No. 10th and other nearby alleys.

Mrs. Banfield moved that Monday, July 22, 1968 at 4 P. M. be set as the date for hearing on the above assessment roll. Seconded by Mr. Bott. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

COMMENTS:

Mr. Johnson remarked that a letter from A. E. Saunders, President of the Puget Sound National Bank, has been received and Mr. Saunders has requested that the City Council give their unqualified support to the "Design for Progress" as they believed that industry would put up the required funds if this was accomplished.

Mayor Rasmussen informed the Council that he had requested the City Attorney to draft a resolution endorsing the aims of the "Design for Progress" organization and it will be on next week's agenda. He remarked that the resolution would stipulate that this organization proposes no governmental changes and is not involved in politics. 20

Mr. Murtland stated that a communication from Donald F. McKay, President of the Old Tacoma Improvement Club, has requested that the hearing scheduled for June 25th, 1968 on the rezoning of the NE corner of No. 26th & Starr Sts. petitioned by Mrs. S. W. Anderson, be postponed until July 2nd, 1968. Mr. McKay has requested this postponement because their attorney is away from the City until that time. Mr. Murtland felt this was a fair request.

Mr. Murtland then moved to postpone the S. W. Anderson hearing for the rezoning of the NE corner of No. 26th & Starr Sts. from an "R-2" to an "R-4-L" District until July 2nd, 1968. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote taken. Motion carried. 13

Mr. Cvitanich explained, this hearing will be very controversial. However, some members of the Planning Commission feel there is an over-abundance of apartment houses in the City. He felt that the Planning Commission would appreciate direction by the City Council in regard to these rezoning requests for apartments.

After further discussion, Mr. Bott moved that the Planning Commission be requested to furnish a plan for proper planning in the Old Town area. Seconded by Mr. Murtland. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Mr. Finnigan asked what was being done to alleviate the traffic problem in and around Pt. Defiance.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, felt the Metropolitan Park Board should take steps to have a study made of this matter.

Mr. Finnigan moved that Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, Mr. Schuster, Public Works Director and the Board of Park Commissioners meet, and within a month return to the Council their recommendations on the traffic problem. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. Voice vote taken. Motion carried. 8

Mayor Rasmussen asked that Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, direct a letter for the Mayor's signature, to the Metropolitan Park Board Chairman, explaining the Council's determination.

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Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, stated a decision by the Council should be made next week on whether to demolish the Old City Hall Annex or accept a businessman's offer to buy and restore the building.

Mayor Rasmussen stated, a study session is scheduled for Monday, June 24th, 1968 and this matter can be taken up at that time.

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Mayor Rasmussen commended Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, for his presentation regarding budget preparations and that his intention to prepare an early preliminary 1969 budget for the Council's study was appreciated.

Mayor Rasmussen requested that Mr. Gaisford, Finance, Director present a plan so that sub-committees from the Council would be available to study the proposed budget.

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Mayor Rasmussen stated the Public Utility Board has extended an invitation to the City Council to attend the launching ceremonies for two locomotives for the Municipal Belt Line Railway on June 19th, 1968 at 9:00 A. M.

Mayor Rasmussen asked Mr. Rowlands if he had obtained any information regarding the photographs that had been taken in the Roosevelt Heights area.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, explained that he felt perhaps a Home Improvement Agent from the Dangerous Building section of the Public Works Dept. had been the person who had taken the pictures.

Mayor Rasmussen remarked, in connection with the Building Dept., it was his understanding that no new personnel would be hired and they would proceed as instructed in the processing of the Home Improvement Program.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, stated it was not his understanding that this program would be curtailed. He did know, however, the agents were not going into any homes unless they were invited.

Mayor Rasmussen stated, he would like Mr. Rowlands to review the minutes of the study session where this was discussed and bring back a report to the Council. He felt it was the Council's direction that they would use the \$74,000 to build up the reserve fund instead of hiring new employees. Since the City was very short of housing, homes should not be taken down.

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Mayor Rasmussen asked for the total amount of membership dues for different associations for the General Government and the Dept. of Public Utilities.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, stated that the total for the General Government was \$17,812 and \$10,205 for the Dept. of Public Utilities.

Mayor Rasmussen asked that the Council review this carefully at the budget hearings.

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Mayor Rasmussen requested that Mr. Bond inform the Council relative to plans being made for Tacoma's Centennial in 1969.

Mr. Bond, Public Relations Officer, stated that members of the Chamber

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of Commerce hoped to organize a 100th year birthday celebration for the City. They have been exploring this possibility for about three months. They are hoping to organize a large committee for this event.

Mayor Rasmussen remarked he planned to appoint Mr. Finnigan as the Council's representative to this committee.

Mayor Rasmussen stated he would like a report from the Committee on the renovation of the Council Chambers as soon as possible.

Mayor Rasmussen requested that Mr. Rowlands contact the University Parking Co. Inc. in Seattle and see if they would be interested in bidding on the garages that will be constructed in Tacoma.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, explained that Pearson, Richards Inc. and Norman G. Jacobson Inc. are the architects who have been employed by the Downtown Parking Corp. to design the Tacoma garages. He was sure that anyone that wished to bid when the bids were advertised could do so.

Mr. Zatkovich asked if the Meter Maids had been phased into other positions.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, stated that in time attrition will take care of these positions.

Mr. Zatkovich also asked how the Civil Service Board felt about the oral examinations for Police Patrolman not being conducted.

Mr. Rowlands stated he would look into the matter and report next week.

Mr. Zatkovich mentioned a copy of a telegram addressed to the Washington State Congressmen, endorsing the needs of the underprivileged as expressed in the Poor People's Campaign in Washington, D. C. and wondered who proposed to send this telegram.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, reported that the Tacoma Urban Area Coalition members planned to send this telegram.

After some discussion, the City Council determined that the telegram was generally acceptable as long as it was not represented as an official communication from the City government.

Mayor Rasmussen asked Mr. Lynn Hodges, Director of Human Relations, if any City funds were being used relative to the Tacoma Area Urban Coalition Program.

Mr. Hodges stated, they were not.

Mrs. Banfield requested an itemized statement of the telephone bill of the Human Relations Dept.

Mr. Hodges stated, they do not do any bookkeeping in their Department and Mr. Gaisford, Finance Director, would have that information.

Mrs. Banfield asked Mr. Hodges what his definition was of sensitivity training.

Mr. Hodges stated the sensitivity training program was to bring about better insight, better understanding of other persons and awareness of one's impact on others.

Mr. Finnigan asked Mr. Rowlands if there were any sensitivity programs being conducted for City employees.

Mr. Rowlands, City Manager, replied that some of our employees are attending a human relations workshop at Pacific Lutheran University, and at least two of the employees were police officers. He noted that the workshop is financed in part with federal funds.

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Mr. Murtland moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Mr. Bott. The meeting adjourned at 10:00 P. M.

A. L. Rasmussen
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City Clerk

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