

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
Tuesday, Dec. 2, 1969.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Rasmussen at 4 P.M.

Present on roll call 9: Banfield, Cvitanich, Dean, Finnigan, Herrmann, Jarstad, O'Leary, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen. *ABSENT: 0*

The Flag Salute was led by Mr. Jarstad.

Mayor Rasmussen asked if there were any omissions or corrections to the minutes of the meeting of Nov. 18.

Mayor Rasmussen called attention to page 11 and moved that the typographical error in the 3rd paragraph, 3rd line down where the word "taxing" appears, be changed to "taking". Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

Mr. Cvitanich moved that the minutes of the meeting of Nov. 18th be approved as corrected. Seconded by Mr. O'Leary. Voice vote taken. Motion unanimously carried.

HEARINGS & APPEALS:

This is the date set for hearing for the request for a preliminary Plat of the revised Westgate's Wedgewood Park between Shirley & Pearl Sts. and between No. 37th & No. 40th Street extended, submitted by Whitacre Engineers, Inc.

Mr. Buehler, Director of Planning, explained this is the first Preliminary Plat to be forwarded to the Council for action in accordance with Substitute Senate Bill No. 169, relating to Lands-Platting, Subdivision, Dedication, which was enacted by the 1969 Legislature of the State of Washington.

Mr. Buehler pointed out on a map the location of the preliminary plat, and explained there are fifteen conditions that are recommended for approval and the representatives of the Whitacre Engineers, Inc. have agreed to all the conditions.

Mayor Rasmussen pointed out that one of the conditions of approval states that pavement is recommended. He wondered why it shouldn't be required.

Mr. Buehler explained that the current subdivision regulation requires only the minimum standards, however, the developer is putting in pavement. Mr. Buehler also stated letters were sent to all the divisions of the City asking for their recommendations for suggested changes in the platting regulations. The platting regulations will then be revised and an ordinance prepared for Council's approval.

Mayor Rasmussen wondered why sidewalks were not being placed on Pearl Street rather than just grading.

Mr. Buehler explained that the area will not have any access to the plat from Pearl Street and there are many grade changes that have to be made on Pearl St. under the Urban Arterial Program, so that is why the sidewalks were not recommended.

Mr. Tom Kidwell, representing Briston Corp., the developer, informed the Council they do plan to grade the sidewalk section and to place a pea gravel or crushed rock surface so that it will be usable as a walkway. He did not believe it would be too practicable to place a sidewalk on that area at this time because of the contemplated grade changes. He also mentioned that this was the Public Works staff's recommendation that this course of action be followed.

Mr. Cvitanich felt, if the Council wishes to change the conditions of approval they can do so.

Mr. Cvitanich then moved that Item 9, under Recommendations of Approval, be amended to read "that after the City completes the grade that the developer place a sidewalk on the Pearl Street area. Seconded by Mrs. Banfield. No roll call taken.

Dr. Herrmann felt this intention should be made known before such a condition is placed in a preliminary plat, as other developers have not had to comply with such a condition. He did not feel it was fair to impose such an added cost on the developer at this time.

Mr. Buehler read Chapter 271, Section 10, of the recent Legislative bill which pointed out the procedure that is to be used by Cities and Counties in reviewing Preliminary Plats.

Mayor Rasmussen asked that a copy of this law be sent to the Council and suggested that this hearing be held over for one week.

Mr. Finnigan suggested that Mr. Hamilton, Acting City Attorney, prepare a memo for the Council relative to the new law so the Council may be better informed.

Mr. Finnigan then moved to continue the hearing on Westgate's Wedgewood Park preliminary plat for one week, until Dec. 9, 1969. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

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This is the date set for hearing for rezoning of the east side of Hosmer St. approx. 630 feet north of So. 90th from an "R-2" to an "R-2-T" District, submitted by Fred Roberson.

Mr. Buehler explained this is a "T" zoning district which is an appropriate classification for the site as it provides a transition use between a "C-F-P" and an "R-2" zoning district. The applicant wishes to construct an insurance adjuster's office that would serve the entire area.

Mayor Rasmussen felt this was "spot zoning" and did not see why the adjacent property owners didn't object to the rezone.

Mr. Roberson, applicant, explained he had contacted the other owners in the area and since they were not planning to change their property to some other use, they did not seem interested. However, he did feel that eventually the entire area would be zoned commercial.

Mr. Buehler explained the Council approved the procedure that property owners would have an option whether they wished to change their zoning.

Mr. Cvitanich felt that the Planning Commission functions as a zoning board and that there should be a better Comprehensive Plan for the City.

Mr. Finnigan felt if the property owners in the "R-2" area have an opportunity to change their zoning he did not see why the Council should enforce another zoning upon them.

After some discussion, Mr. O'Leary moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission and that an ordinance be drafted approving same. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote taken. Motion unanimously carried.

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This is the date set for a meeting with the initiating parties for the annexation of both sides of Crystal Springs Road between So. 19th & 23rd St. West extended, submitted by Henry O. Johnson et al.

Mr. Buehler explained this meeting is for the Council to decide if the City will accept the 75% petition and if the bonded indebtedness and comprehensive plan of the City is to be included in the annexation. These items will then be spelled out in a resolution for the Council's approval next week. Mr. Buehler also noted that letters were sent to all the property owners relative to these conditions.

Mayor Rasmussen inquired as to what type of paving is on Crystal Springs Rd., as well as what garbage facilities are used by the property owners.

Mr. Johnson, 2000 Crystal Springs Rd., petitioner, explained that a private firm has the contract for the garbage collection in the area.

Mr. Buehler explained that the road is covered with an asphalt type paving as are all other County roads in that area. He also mentioned that water, garbage and fire protection are taken care of by franchises. Under the franchise agreements the firms are allowed to continue for five years.

Mayor Rasmussen felt there should be more property owners included in this petition, he understood the Boundary Review Board would not allow small annexations.

Mr. Finnigan moved to accept the petition for annexation with the proviso that the added indebtedness is assumed and that the comprehensive plan will not be required and that a resolution be drafted approving the same. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote was taken. Motion unanimously carried.

COMMUNICATION:

Joseph C. Lane, Pres. Pacific Cascade Properties, Inc. wishing to appear before the City Council to discuss their proposed development for a building on Parcel B-5A of the Center St. Project on So. 27th and Yakima Avenue.

Mr. Cvitanich felt that communications from the public should be placed under Citizen's Comments on the agenda, and that the staff be so informed.

Mr. Lane explained he had contacted the Urban Renewal Dept. and the City Attorney's office and had been informed to submit a letter to the Council asking to be heard relative to their proposed development.

Mayor Rasmussen felt that the Urban Renewal Dept. should have submitted this request from Mr. Lane.

Mr. Lane further stated that Parcel B-5A had been purchased originally for the J. C. Penney Co. warehouse. Since that time the Penney Co. increased their building requirements as the site was not adequate to handle the new plan. The Council then approved a request for a six month extension of time so that Pacific Cascade Properties could negotiate for another client. On July 24th another proposal was submitted to the Council with the General Electric Co. as the client. Due to the strike that has developed, the General Electric Co. was unable to act on the proposal within the six month period allotted. Therefore Mr. Lane added, he was requesting a ninety day extension so that the contract to build an office and appliance warehouse for GE at So. 27th and Yakima can be consummated.

Mr. Wilcox, District Operative Manager for GE Supply Co., Division of GE, explained the company does have a definite interest in the site, however, the approval from the corporate headquarters must be obtained. Assurances have been made that this will be forthcoming and with the additional requested time it will be possible, he added.

Mr. Wilcox further explained that the present building is not adequate for the operations in Tacoma and the new building will be approx. one third larger.

Mr. Dean wondered what advantage would it be in moving the operations with only one third additional space.

Mr. Wilcox explained there would be room for additional expansion on the new site. The projections over the next ten years is for their business to be more than doubled in volume. This new warehouse would also be more efficient in its operation.

Dr. Herrmann moved to concur in the request and grant a 90 day extension to Pacific Cascade Properties inc., relative to the proposed development. Seconded by Mr. Jarstad.

Mayor Rasmussen felt that a sixty day extension would give them sufficient time as he felt this borders on property speculation which is not approved by the Urban Renewal regulations.

Mr. Lane explained that his company does not speculate but are builders and they have tried their very best to interest a client in this particular site. As soon as the letter of intent comes from GE headquarters he would submit it to the Council.

Mr. Wright, Director of Urban Renewal, explained the reason Mr. Lane is before the Council at this time is to make the Council aware of the progress they have made since last June and the reasons they are asking for an additional extension of time.

Voice vote was taken on the motion to grant a ninety day extension on the proposal made by Pacific Cascade Properties, Inc. for the property on So. 27th and Yakima Ave., resulting as follows: Ayes 7: Dean, Finnigan, Herrmann, Jarstad, O'Leary, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen. Nays 1: Banfield. Absent 1: Cvitanich (temporarily). Motion carried.

Mayor Rasmussen asked Mr. Hamilton if a resolution should be brought to the Council on this matter.

Mr. Hamilton felt that a motion would be sufficient but he suggested that this be ratified by formal resolution.

Mayor Rasmussen asked that the resolution be prepared for next week's agenda. Mr. Hamilton stated this will be done.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 20474 (postponed from the meeting of Nov. 25th)

Approving and endorsing the construction of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System in order that oil and oil products may be brought from the North Slope in Alaska to Port of Valdez for eventual transshipment to this and other areas.

Mr. O'Leary moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Banfield.

Mr. O'Leary moved to amend the resolution in the first Be It Resolved, third line down after the word "System", by inserting the following statement, "PROVIDED that, every possible precaution is taken to preserve ecological balance in Alaska." Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

Voice vote was taken on the resolution, as amended, resulting as follows:

Ayes 8: Banfield, Cvitanich, Dean, Finnigan, Jarstad, O'Leary, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
Nays 1: Herrmann. Absent 0.

The Resolution was declared passed by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 20475

Fixing Monday, Dec. 22nd at 4 P.M. as the date for hearing for L I D 4917 for paving on East G from East 46th to East 48th Street.

Mrs. Banfield moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. O'Leary. Voice vote was taken on the resolution, resulting as follows:

Ayes 9: Banfield, Cvitanich, Dean, Finnigan, Herrmann, Jarstad, O'Leary, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
Nays 0: Absent 0.

The Resolution was declared passed by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 20476

Fixing Monday, Jan. 12th at 4 P.M. as the date for hearing for L I D 6912 for street lights on 38th Ave. N. E. from 33rd St. N. E. to Brown's Pt. Blvd. and other nearby streets.

Mrs. Banfield moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. O'Leary. Voice vote was taken on the resolution, resulting as follows:

Ayes 9: Banfield, Cvitanich, Dean, Finnigan, Herrmann, Jarstad, O'Leary, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
Nays 0. Absent 0.

The Resolution was declared passed by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 20477

Accepting the annexation petition of William D. Brown for the area on both sides of 96th between Hosmer & F. I. A. #5 (Freeway)

Mr. Finnigan moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote was taken on the resolution, resulting as follows:

- Ayes 9: Banfield, Cvitanich, Dean, Finnigan, Herrmann, Jarstad, O'Leary, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
- Nays 0: Absent 0.

The Resolution was declared passed by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 20478

Approving the Plat of Wick's Second Addition on the north side of Westgate Blvd. between Vassault & Defiance Sts.

Mr. Finnigan moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote was taken on the resolution, resulting as follows:

- Ayes 9: Banfield, Cvitanich, Dean, Finnigan, Herrmann, Jarstad, O'Leary, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
- Nays 0: Absent 0.

The Resolution was declared passed by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 20479

Authorizing the purchase of a building and the removal from the site, located on the Tacoma Industrial Airport by Mr. Marion S. Madsen.

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

Mrs. Banfield asked what type of a building was advertised for sale and what was the assessed value.

Mr. Phillips, Airport Manager, explained the building was a two-story dwelling and was purchased in conjunction with the 1967 Federal Airport Aid Project for the purpose of demolition & removal. It is located in the cleared zone for the runway. The appraised value of the house is \$14,100 and the total appraised value of the entire property is \$16,900. The Federal share is approx. 51.25% of the project.

Mr. Phillips further explained that the house was rented about a year ago and the lease terminated at the end of last month. No bids were submitted pursuant to advertising and the problem seemed to be that the house had to be taken apart since one section had been built onto the other, and could not be moved more than about a half mile on a County road. As stated in the resolution, Mr. Marion S. Madsen has offered to purchase the dwelling for the sum of \$200 and remove the same from the Airport site.

Mr. Finnigan pointed out if the City retains the ownership of the house it would have to pay for the demolition and its removal.

Mr. Phillips said he had checked with F. A. A. and they will accept the agreement with Mr. Madsen as offered, and the project will then be closed out.

Mr. Madsen explained he had submitted his \$500 certified check to the City and would remove the house within a year, and would do the work himself.

After some discussion, Mr. Zatkovich moved to postpone action on Res. No. 20479 for one week, until Dec. 9. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

The Resolution was postponed until Dec. 9, 1969.

Resolution No. 20480

Directing the City Council to undertake a study of the City's insurance needs and its program of acquiring insurance and requiring the submission to and approval by the Council of all bids or quotations for insurance.

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

Mr. Omar Bratrud, representing the Pierce County Insurance Agents Assn. said the Pierce County Agency is the body that now handles the insurance for the City through an advisory committee. He added, in 1950 when the City was under the Commission form of government, the various commissioners worked out their own arrangements for insurance in their departments. This became a rather complicated procedure as a multitude of policies were involved. At that time the Mayor established the Insurance Advisory Committee through the Pierce County Insurance Agents Assn. In 1953 an administrative regulation was issued by City Manager Frank W. Backstrom which stated that insurance matters were to be handled by the Administrative Ins. Committee consisting of the Manager, Director of Public Utilities, City Attorney, Public Works Director and the Finance Director. This latter procedure has been followed and the committee's duty was to submit recommendations regarding insurance and bonding needs and obtain quotations and bids from insurance companies. They also have selected a three-man insurance advisory committee from names submitted by the P.C. Ins. Agents Assn. Generally, the members obtain bids from the insurance companies which they represent, however, if sufficient bids cannot be obtained by them, the committee contacts other agents who are members of the County Assn., he added.

Mr. Bratrud requested that the resolution be postponed as there is no provision in the resolution for any emergency action if some insurance matter should come up. Also there is some question as to what the Council can do in purchasing insurance for the Public Utility Dept. He also suggested that the Mayor appoint a committee of three Council members to sit in deliberation with the Advisory Insurance committee to work out a more applicable resolution if it is deemed necessary.

Mr. Bratrud continued, they believed that the insurance program for the City has been handled exceptionally well.

Mr. O'Leary explained that all through the proposed budget, the group life insurance has been increased and he wondered if it should be placed out for bid.

Mr. Taylor, a member of the P.C. Ins. Advisory committee, explained there has been no rate change in group life since it was written in 1968. What has happened, is that the volume of coverage has been increased, he added.

Mayor Rasmussen moved to amend the resolution in the first Be It Resolved, on the first line, after the word "Tacoma", by inserting the words "jointly with the Public Utility Board", and then finish the paragraph as written. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

Voice vote was taken on the amendment. Motion unanimously carried.

Mr. Jarstad wondered since Mr. Bratrud has mentioned that the resolution did not mention any emergencies, should this be included in the resolution.

Mayor Rasmussen felt that with the amount of money spent on the insurance programs, the Council should be the body that approves the policies rather than leaving it in the hands of an Advisory Committee. This resolution proposes that a committee be appointed to meet jointly with the Public Utilities Board and determine if this is the policy they want to follow in the purchase of insurance. Then the second recommendation in the resolution is that the committee come before the Council with their recommendation for the purchase of insurance. He felt there is no emergency that couldn't be covered by an emergency meeting of the Council. He felt if a planned insurance program is adopted, there would be no emergency.

Dr. Herrmann felt that it would be worthwhile for the Council and Utility Board to undertake a study of the insurance needs and meet with the P. C. Ins. Agent's committee. However, the resolution states in the last Resolve that on and after this date all bids or quotations for insurance to be purchased by the City or any of its departments shall be submitted to and approved by the Council prior to the time any policy or policies shall be purchased.

the resolution passes this evening it would supersede any committee's findings. Therefore, he suggested that the resolution be postponed or the last Resolve be deleted.

Mr. Finnigan felt the intent was to familiarize the Council with the various insurance programs of the City. He reminded the Council that the insurance business is a very special type of business and there are innumerable complexities in the development of insurance policies. He felt that it would be best to leave such decisions to the City's Insurance Committee rather than having the Council solely responsible for the insurance of any insurance.

Mayor Rasmussen felt the Council has the ability to make a determination as to what insurance is to be purchased by the City.

Mr. Zatkovich felt the insurance matter for the City has been a monopoly and the bids and quotations should be submitted to the Council for its approval.

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

- Ayes 6: Banfield, Cvitanich, Dean, O'Leary, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
- Nays 3: Finnigan, Herrmann and Jarstad. Absent 0.

The Resolution was declared passed by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 20481

Directing the proper officers of the City to execute a proper instrument to remove the height restriction presently at the New Commonwealth Title building.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mayor Rasmussen.

Mr. Wright explained that on June 10 the Council adopted a resolution concerning the partial removal of height restrictions on property owned by the Commonwealth Title Co. The Council further indicated its intent to permit removal of the entire height restriction upon payment of the difference between \$6,525 and \$22,500. At the present time the Urban Renewal Dept. has had a request from the Commonwealth Title Co. in which they have explained the need of building to the full height and agrees to pay \$22,500 for the removal of the height restriction. Mr. Wright further added, this particular change is desirable as the additional story will bring the building up to a plaza level with the Dean-Witter Bldg. which will provide for an open space all the way from the north wall of the new parking garage to the Bank of Tacoma Bldg. which will make a more pleasing design appearance.

Mayor Rasmussen asked Mr. Hamilton if there had been any progress in recovering the air rights for the citizens as he has requested.

Mr. Hamilton explained letters had been written and as soon as replies are received he will submit them to the Council for their determination.

Mr. John Newlands, attorney representing the Commonwealth Title Co. purchased the property subject to a height limitation on the property of two stories. He also stressed that the City did not retain the air-rights in this case. Mr. Newlands asked that the City act with the utmost speed in determining whether it will accept their offer as negotiations with the builder can fluctuate greatly depending upon the timing of approval by the City. He also mentioned that the Commonwealth Title Co. has proceeded as required and with diligence.

Voice vote was taken on the resolution, resulting as follows:

- Ayes 7: Dean, Finnigan, Herrmann, Jarstad, O'Leary, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
- Nays 2: Banfield and Cvitanich. Absent 0.

The Resolution was declared passed by the Chairman.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 18986

Granting a CATV franchise to TeleCable Communications Corporation.

Mrs. Banfield moved to postpone Ord. No. 18986 until Jan 6, 1970. Seconded by Mr. Zatkovich. Voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

The Ordinance was postponed until Jan. 6, 1970.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 18974 (postponed from the meeting of November 25th)

Amending Sections 6.41.040 & 050 of the official code to increase the license fee for Christmas trees from \$5 to \$15 and the deposit fee from \$15 to \$50 and declaring the immediate passage of this ordinance.

Mayor Rasmussen announced that Mr. McLennan, Director of Tax & License has asked that this ordinance be removed from the agenda.

Mr. Cvitanich moved to remove the ordinance from the agenda. Seconded by Mr. Zatkovich. Voice vote was taken. Motion was unanimously carried.

The Ordinance was removed from the agenda.

Ordinance No. 18976

Vacating So. 58th from Madison to Durango St., including the intersecting 80 feet of Proctor Street right-of-way. (petition of Frank Stojack)

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

Ayes 9: Banfield, Cvitanich, Dean, Finnigan, Herrmann, Jarstad, O'Leary, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.

Nays 0: Absent 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18978

Amending Section 1.29.080 of the official code relative to Clerical Staff Assistance for the Human Relations Commission.

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

Ayes 6: Banfield, Cvitanich, Dean, O'Leary, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.

Nays 3: Finnigan, Herrmann and Jarstad. Absent 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18979

Repealing Ordinance No. 18945 relative to the preservation of historical buildings.



Mrs. Banfield explained she had noted that the date of passage of the original ordinance No. 18945 was Nov. 12th instead of Nov. 18th, therefore the date should be changed on this ordinance.

Mr. Cvitanich moved to amend the ordinance by changing the figure 12 on the last line of the ordinance to 18. Seconded by Mr. O'Leary. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

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

Ayes 7: Banfield, Cvitanich, Dean, Jarstad, O'Leary, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
Nays 2: Finnigan and Herrmann. Absent 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18981

Vacating the alley from So. 75th to So. 76th between Yakima & I Streets. (submitted by Benny Anderson)

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

Ayes 9: Banfield, Cvitanich, Dean, Finnigan, Herrmann, Jarstad, O'Leary, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
Nays 0: Absent 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18982

Providing for the improvement of L I D 4914 for paving on No. 18th from Shirley to Bennett Street.

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

Ayes 9: Banfield, Cvitanich, Dean, Finnigan, Herrmann, Jarstad, O'Leary, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
Nays 0: Absent 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18983

Providing for the improvement of L I D 5496 for water mains in Sheridan Ave. from So. 80th to So.82nd Street.

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

Ayes 9: Banfield, Cvitanich, Dean, Finnigan, Herrmann, Jarstad, O'Leary, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
Nays 0: Absent 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18984

Providing for the improvement of L I D 6907 for street lights along Birmingham from So. 52nd to So. 54th and So. 52nd from Birmingham to Puget Sound Avenue.

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

Ayes 9: Banfield, Cvitanich, Dean, Finnigan, Herrmann, Jarstad, O'Leary, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
Nays 0: Absent 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18985

Providing for the improvement of L I D 6920 for street lights along Fawcett Ave. from So. 86th to So. 88th Street.

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

Ayes 9: Banfield, Cvitanich, Dean, Finnigan, Herrmann, Jarstad, O'Leary, Zatkovich and Mayor Rasmussen.
Nays 0: Absent 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Director of Public Works presents the following assessment rolls for hearing:

- a. L I D 4824 for paving on So. 38th from Thompson to Park Ave; Park Ave. from So. 37th to So. 38th Street.
- b. L I D 6894 for street lighting on East 40th from McKinley Ave. to Portland Ave. and other nearby streets.

Dr. Herrmann moved that Monday, Jan. 12, 1970 be set as the date for hearing on the above assessment rolls. Seconded by Mrs. Banfield. Voice vote taken. Motion unanimously carried.

COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL:

Mr. Cvitanich requested that Mr. Gaisford, Finance Director, submit as soon as possible a list of travel expenses for all departments in General Government and the Dept. of Public Utilities.

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Mayor Rasmussen appointed Mrs. Banfield, Mr. Cvitanich and Mr. Zatkovich on the Legislative Committee for the Special Legislative Session in Olympia starting January, 1970.

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Mayor Rasmussen appointed Mr. Dean, Mr. Zatkovich and Mr. O'Leary as a Committee to work with the Public Utilities Board to review the insurance policy of the City.

Mayor Rasmussen asked that the City Clerk send a copy of Res. No. 20480 to the Public Utility Board and request that they appoint a Committee to work with the Council's committee on the insurance problem.

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Mayor Rasmussen informed the Council that he has received a communication from Mr. Ed. McCleary asking the Council's permission to land a helicopter adjacent to the old fire station headquarters. He felt that the Council would desire to study this request before a decision is given.

Mayor Rasmussen stated that some action should be taken soon, relative to the old fire station headquarters, rather than allowing it to stand vacant.

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A communication was read from Wilfred G. Brown, Pres. of the Board of Park Commissioners, requesting the City release property that had been deeded to the City of the Metropolitan Park District for the purpose of constructing the Cheney Stadium facility. Mr. Brown also stated the School district is now in the process of putting properties together of a sufficient size to accommodate the new Henry O. Foss High School facility. Since there apparently does not appear to be a need for property in the future expansion of Cheney Stadium, the Board is requesting that the City, as well as the County relinquish their interest in the property and execute the necessary instruments so the property can again be in the hands of the Park district. 159
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Mayor Rasmussen felt the Council should adopt a resolution that would release the City's hold on this particular land. He asked that Mr. Hamilton prepare the necessary resolution for next week's meeting.

Mr. Cvitanich asked that more information be submitted to the Council from the Park Board as well as the School board on this matter next week.

Mayor Rasmussen asked that Mr. Bond, Director of Public Information & General Services obtain such information for the Council.

A communication was read from Gerald Hulscher, Pres. of the North-West Boys' Club, Inc. inviting the Mayor and Council to the formal dedication and grand opening of the Club building on Sunday, Dec. 7, 1969 at 2 P.M. at 4604 No. 38th St.

A communication was read from Marshall McCormick, Acting City Manager, relative to the Design Review Board. Mr. McCormick suggested that the Director of Planning and Director of Public Works and their staffs could suggest a rough draft for an ordinance, which would create a Design Review Board. Then a resolution could be drafted appointing members to the Board who would serve without compensation. 391 ✓

Mayor Rasmussen asked that Mr. Cvitanich meet with the staff to draw up a rough draft of an ordinance.

Mayor Rasmussen asked that Mr. Mork, Asst. to the City Manager submit all the information he could find relative to the operation of the O.E.O. and O.D.I. He added, it was his understanding that the County of Pierce should be administering O.D.I. ✓

Mayor Rasmussen felt there were many questionable programs being administered and he wished the new Council members to become familiar with such programs.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Mr. Tom Wells, 841 East 48th St. explained he felt that Mr. Finnigan and Dr. Herrmann had violated several portions of the City Charter, therefore, as a citizen he asked that they resign from the Council.

Mayor Rasmussen requested that Mr. Hamilton review Mr. Wells' request.

Mayor Rasmussen explained that the Council will be making a decision very shortly as to whether additional consultants will be hired relative to the Community Improvement Program. He noted that a number of items must be discussed with the Council as he felt they were not at all necessary. ✓

Mayor Rasmussen also mentioned that a communication received from Mr. McCormick, relative to Cable TV, would indicate that the proposals received by the City were about on a par or better than many received by other cities. 309
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Mayor Rasmussen stated that an opinion which was requested relative to the Mayor's³⁷ salary being reduced said that it could not be reduced, but the Council could spell out the duties and services of the Mayor if they so desire.

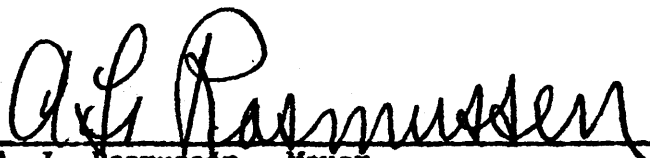
ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of the Neighborhood Improvement Council for November 18, 1969.
- b. Minutes of the Human Relations Commission for November 20, 1969.
- c. Report from the Director of Human Relations for Oct. 17 & November 20, 1969.
- d. Report from the Fire Dept for the month of October 1969.
- e. Community Improvement Program Status Report #4 - Sept. 1969 and resume.
- f. Report from the Tacoma Employees Retirement System for November 1969.
- g. Tacoma Police Dept. report for October 1969.
- h. State Examiner's report for City of Tacoma -59th Examination for January 1, 1968 to December 31, 1968.

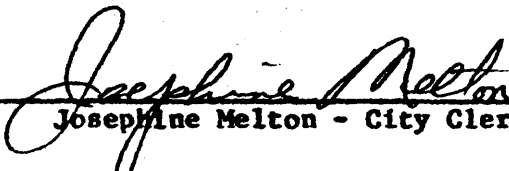
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Mr. Cvitanich moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Mr. O'Leary. Voice vote was taken. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M.



 A. L. Rasmussen - Mayor

Attest: 

 Josephine Melton - City Clerk