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COUNCIL CHAMBER, 7:40 P.M.

Monday, November 22, 1954.

Council met in regular session. Present 8; Bratrud, Goering, Hooker, Humiston, Jensen, Perdue, Stojack, Tollefson. Absent 1; Battin.

Mayor Tollefson asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the previous meeting, copies of which had been mailed by the Clerk to each Council member. Mr. Perdue called attention to an error in "Unfinished Business" in his motion at the end of the paragraph, which should read "initiate a petition" instead of "adopt a resolution". He moved that the minutes be amended to correct this error. Motion seconded by Col. Hooker and carried unanimously. It was then moved by Col. Hooker, seconded by Mr. Perdue, that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved as amended and the reading thereof be dispensed with. Motion carried unanimously.

PETITIONS:

Media Hull and Harold Adams, for license for restaurant at 2143 South K Street. The Director of Health recommends the petition be denied for the reason that the applicants have not provided the proper sink after 30 days notice. The City Manager concurs in the recommendation. Moved by Dr. Humiston to concur in the recommendation. Motion seconded by Mr. Perdue and carried on roll call: Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Battin.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 14093.

BY THE COUNCIL:

Resolving that public necessity and general welfare requires that a zoning reclassification of Lots 8, 9 and 10, Block 1, McCloskey's Addition (5220 Pacific) from an R-2 District to a C-2 District be made and that this resolution be considered as a request by the City Council to initiate such amendment and that the City Planning Commission set a date for a public hearing and give notice of the time and place thereof, and after such hearing report its findings and determination resulting therefrom to the City Council. (Petition Ray O'Flyng).

Adopted on roll call November 22, 1954.
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Battin.

Resolution No. 14094.

BY JENSEN:

Concurring in the recommendation of the Chief of Police and Board of Contracts and Awards and awarding to Mallon Motors Inc. the contract for furnishing and deliver one 1955 Police Special V-8 Four door Sedan, two 1955 Police special V-8 Four-door Sedans to be painted with color designated, and one 1955 V-8 Panel Truck for the Police Department for the sum of \$7977.72 plus sales tax, less trade-in credit on one #33 1942 Plymouth Coupe, one #31 1950 Ford Sedan, one #29 1952 Ford Sedan-White Accident Prevention car, one #30 1952 Ford Sedan-White Accident Prevention car and one #44 1952 Ford Panel, for the sum of \$2450.00, making a total net bid after trade-in in the sum of \$5767.06 plus sales tax.

Adopted on roll call November 22, 1954.
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Battin.

Resolution No. 14095.

BY BRATRUD:

Authorizing a private sale of all right, title and interest of the City of Tacoma, acquired by and through local improvement district assessments and proceedings

For the foreclosure, to Gertrude McGahan, Mildred Boyce and Hazel M. Snyder, as executrices of estate of Arthur L. Snyder for sum of \$309.75 the property located at 3112 South 14th Street, and authorizing execution and delivery to said purchasers of a local improvement assessment deed. It was moved by Col. Hooker, Seconded by Mr. Perdue to suspend Rule 9 and carried unanimously on voice vote. The resolution was then adopted without having been read in full.

Adopted on roll call November 22, 1954.
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Battin.

Resolution No. 14096.

BY BRATRUD:

Authorizing private sale of all right, title and interest of City of Tacoma acquired by and through local improvement district assessments and proceedings for foreclosure thereof, for the sum of \$65.14 in cash to H. E. Wood of property located at 5607 North 47th Street, and authorizing and directing execution and delivery of local improvement assessment deed. It was moved by Dr. Humiston, seconded by Mr. Perdue to suspend Rule 9 and carried unanimously on voice vote. The resolution was then adopted without having been read in full.

Adopted on roll call November 22, 1954.
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Battin.

Resolution No. 14097.

BY BRATRUD:

Authorizing a private sale of all right, title and interest of City of Tacoma, acquired by and through local improvement district assessments and proceedings for foreclosure, to be made to John W. Hansen and Anna N. Hansen for the sum of \$73.41 in cash of the property located at 3336 South Ainsworth and authorizing and directing execution and delivery of a local improvement assessment deed. Moved by Col. Hooker, seconded by Dr. Humiston to suspend Rule 9 and carried unanimously on voice vote. The resolution was then adopted without having been read in full.

Adopted on roll call November 22, 1954.
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Battin.

Resolution No. 14098.

By Hooker:

Approving participation agreements between the Director of Public Works and the abutting property owners as follows: Piper Funeral Home, Jim Paine, Haldor A. Dahl and Donald H. Doud, Wm. J. Fechter Jr. for repair of sidewalks and curbs herein set forth. It was moved by Col. Hooker, seconded by Dr. Humiston to suspend Rule 9 and carried unanimously on voice vote. The resolution was then adopted without having been read in full.

Adopted on roll call November 22, 1954.
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Battin.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 15162.

Authorizing and directing City Attorney of the City of Tacoma to purchase and/or institute and prosecute an action in the Superior Court of the State of Washington, for Pierce County, under the right of eminent domain, for the condemnation and acquisition in fee simple of certain tracts or parcels of land for the purpose of widening and improvement South 19th Street from Mason Avenue to Orchard Street; and providing for the taking and damaging of said tracts or parcels of land and property rights and priv-

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illeges; and providing for the payment therefor. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15163. L. I. D. 2193.

Approving and confirming assessment roll for cost of improvement in Local Improvement District No. 2193. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15164. L. I. D. 2166.

Approving and confirming assessment roll for the cost of the improvement in Local Improvement District No. 2166. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15165. L. I. D. 4529.

Approving and confirming assessment roll for cost of improvement in Local Improvement District No. 4529. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15166. L. I. D. 2081.

Approving and confirming assessment roll for cost of improvement in Local Improvement District No. 2081. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15167.

Repealing Ordinances Nos. 14646, (L.I.D. 1885); 14662, (L.I.D. 1817) and 14672 (L.I.D. 2061). Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15168. L. I. D. 4544.

Providing for the improvement of the alley between Sixth Avenue and South 7th Street from Sprague Avenue to Grant Street by grading and paving; creating Local Improvement District No. 4544. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15169. L. I. D. 2214.

Providing for the improvement of the east side of Baltimore Street from North 26th Street to approximately 130 feet north of North 27th Street, and also on both sides of North 27th Street from Baltimore Street from approximately 291 feet east, by construction of sidewalks thereon; also grading and oil mat on North 27th Street from Baltimore Street for approximately 291 feet east; creating Local Improvement District No. 2214. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 15170. L. I. D. 5240.

Providing for the construction of an 8-inch cast iron water main in Winnifred Street from Sixth Avenue to South 11th Street, in Shirley Street from South 9th Street to South 11th Street, and a 6-inch cast iron water main in South 11th Street from Winnifred Street to Shirley Street; creating Local Improvement District No. 5240. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 15159.

Amending 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 the sizes of

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yards and other open spaces and for these purposes to divide the City into districts. ZONING ORDINANCE- by adding thereto a new section to be known as Section 9C. ("C-2" Commercial District, N W corner of 6th Avenue and North Pearl Street.) Read by title. It was moved by Mr. Bratrud, seconded by Col. Hooker to suspend Rule 9, and carried unanimously on voice vote. Mr. Wilcox of the Planning Department was called upon to explain the ordinance to the Council. He pointed out on a map the location of the area, and stated that the petitioners intend to put in a large shopping center with ample off-street parking. There is no shopping center within two miles, he said, and as no one remonstrated against the petition at the hearing, the Planning Commission recommended granting this request. The Council members asked numerous questions, which were answered to their satisfaction by Mr. Wilcox. At the conclusion of the discussion, the ordinance was passed without having been read in full.

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

Ordinance No. 15160.

Amending Section 6 of Ordinance No. 15132, entitled: "An ordinance to define 'Tacoma Harbor'; to establish rules and regulations for the movement, anchorage and lockage of vessels and watercraft within said Harbor; to prescribe the duties of the Harbor Master; to prescribe the duties and responsibilities of owners of docks, wharves and waterfront structures; to provide penalties for the violation hereof; and to repeal Ordinance No. 6245 and all other ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith." 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 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Battin.

Ordinance No. 15161.

Relating to the keeping, harboring and treatment of dogs and other animals; providing for the impounding and disposal of the same; declaring the keeping of and certain practices of certain animals to be public nuisances; defining offenses and prescribing penalties; and repealing Ordinance No. 10998 and all other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith. Read by title. It was moved by Dr. Humiston to suspend Rule 9. Motion seconded by Col. Hooker and carried unanimously. Several interested citizens spoke against the ordinance, one claiming it was not strict enough and should provide that all dogs must be kept on leash or confined on the owners' property; another objected to the requirement that the three witnesses must appear in court if they signed a petition declaring a dog to be a nuisance, and suggested that provision be made to accept an affidavit in lieu of appearing in person. Several Council members said they felt the ordinance was accomplishing its purpose, namely to take care of dogs loitering on school play-grounds; that it was impossible to please everyone, but that this ordinance was as good as any that could be proposed; and that it was good legislation in that it was uniform to the County ordinance. Stanton Griggs, Tacoma Humane Society President, said his organization approved the ordinance. After further discussion Dr. Humiston pointed out that the changes in the ordinance now up for consideration had been ordered at the hearing last week and therefore he moved that the ordinance be amended as submitted by the City Attorney. Motion seconded by Mr. Perdue and carried on roll call: Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Battin. The ordinance was then passed as amended without having been read in full.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Director of Public Works submitted the assessments and assessment rolls for the cost of the improvements in Local Improvement Districts, Nos. 2188, 2204, 4528, 4530. It was moved by Mr. Bratrud that December 21st, 1954 be fixed as the date for

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hearing on the above assessment rolls. Motion seconded by Dr. Humiston and carried on roll call; Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Battin.

The Clerk reported that a resolution had been presented too late to be placed on the Council agenda. It was moved by Dr. Humiston, seconded by Col. Hooker to suspend Rule 7, relative to filing of new matter for Council's consideration in order to consider Resolution No. 14099. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 14099.

By HOOKER:

Authorizing and directing Councilmen Omar Bratrud and Everett Jensen to attend the American Municipal Association Conference being held at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, commencing November 28, 1954 and ending December 1, 1954, and that reimbursement be made to them for the usual and necessary expenses incurred by reason of such attendance. The advantages to be derived from attending this conference were enumerated by Mayor Bellefson and Dr. Humiston, who attended the organization's convention last year in New Orleans, and by City Manager Frank Backstrom, who all agreed that it was educational and of great value to both the City and those attending to participate in this meeting. Mr. Perdue felt that there was no doubt but that those attending would benefit, but that the expense should be considered in view of the fact that the convention is being held so far from Tacoma. Col. Hooker and Dr. Humiston both favored the sending of these two Council men to the convention. At the conclusion of the discussion, roll was called on the adoption of the resolution.

Adopted on roll call November 22, 1954.
Ayes 7; Nays 1; Goering, Absent 1; Battin.

City Manager Backstrom briefed Council on the developments resulting from the discovery of a rat infested with fleas carrying bubonic plague last week in the south end of the City. He read a Bulletin from Dr. Frederick W. Kratz, Medical Director, U. S. Department of Public Health Service, advising that until further notice all ships from Tacoma shall be inspected to determine the rat population aboard, and all incoming vessels are to fend off from the Dock, use rat guards, protect all gangways at all times and have gangways lighted at night. Mr. Backstrom said there was no cause for alarm and that he did not think the City was being placed on a quarantine list. He was going to meet with Dr. Kratz tomorrow afternoon, he added, to attempt to get the regulations lifted.

Mr. Backstrom outlined a proposal for the City Firemen to solicit funds for the Muscular Dystrophy Campaign on November 29th and 30th between 7 P. M. and 10 P. M. and asked Council's consent to allowing the various stations to use their equipment for this purpose. This would not jeopardize Tacoma's fire protection as the trucks would be in radio contact with headquarters, he said. The matter was discussed and a number of Council members were reluctant to sanction this proposition as they felt it might set a precedent and other worthwhile charities might also make similar demands in the future. Lt. Kayser of the Fire Department urged Council to grant this request, stating that this is being done this year by firemen throughout the nation, as they were committed to assisting in this campaign by their International at the convention last year in Miami. The Firemen have to participate in the drive and they would like to use the equipment, he said. After hearing the firemen's representative, the Council members reversed their thinking on the matter. It was moved by Mr. Bratrud that the firemen be allowed to use fire equipment on the nights of the Muscular Dystrophy Drive. Motion seconded by Mr. Stojack and carried on roll call; Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Battin.

Mr. Backstrom called attention of C. M. Letter #60, on the subject of holding Council meetings at different locations in the City. In this letter he recommended that since neither the City Charter or ordinances provide for an exact location of the Council meeting, provision should be made either in the ordinances or by rule of the Council that all regular meetings of the Council shall be at the Council chamber.

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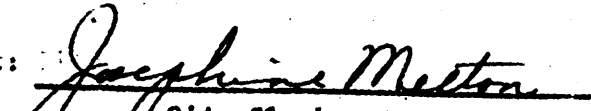
the City Hall unless a legal notice is given of a change of the place of the meeting at least one week prior thereto. Mr. Bratrud said he felt the holding of meetings at various places in the City would mean nothing but trouble and would result in organizations inviting Council to hold their meetings for "entertainment" and that he was against it. Col. Hooker agreed on this stand. Dr. Humiston was of the opinion that the Council should meet where it could do the best job and not where it could draw the best audience and put on a show. He felt the rules should be changed to designate the Council Chamber as the place for the meeting, and pointed out that this rule can always be suspended by the vote of 6 members. Mrs. Goering said she felt more people should be invited to attend Council meetings and that on occasion this might be a way to acquaint the public with what Council is doing. It was moved by Mr. Jensen, seconded by Mr. Bratrud that the Council Rules be amended to fix the place for holding the Council meetings as the Council Chamber in the City Hall. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Backstrom said there had been some misunderstanding on Resolution No. 14086, providing for side-walk repairs in various sections of the City. This resolution was for the purpose of setting December 6th as the date for hearing on this project, and that property owners affected had been notified by the Public Works Dept. in writing of this hearing date by notices mailed November 19th, he stated.

Upon motion, duly seconded and carried, Council then adjourned at 9:40 P. M.


President of City Council

Attest:


City Clerk.