

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers, 4:00 P. M.  
Tuesday, February 23, 1965

Council met in regular session. Present on roll call 7: Bott, Cvitanich, Finnigan, Herrmann, Johnson, Price and Mayor Tollefson. Absent 2: Haley, and Murtland. Mr. Murtland arriving at 4:10 P. M.

Mr. Johnson moved that the minutes of the meeting of Feb. 9, 1965 be approved as submitted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Presentation of awards:

Mayor Tollefson presented a \$25.00 award to Dwight Bale, a Police Dept. clerk for his suggestion for an improvement in the method of requesting criminal warrants, and also a \$25.00 award to W. G. Koenigslieb, an automotive service repair man, for his suggestion concerning the installation of shims and a special oil seal on drive units on street sweeper gutter brooms. The recipients were congratulated by Mr. Rowlands and Mayor Tollefson.

Mr. Murtland coming in at this time.

HEARINGS & APPEALS:

a. This is the date fixed for hearing on the petition submitted by Lundberg Bros. for the rezoning of property on the east side of Orchard St. in the vicinity of So. 46th St. from an "R-2" to an "M-1" & "M-2" District.

Mr. Rowlands stated that a letter received from Robert D. Lundberg dated Nov. 16, 1964 should be made a matter of record as it pointed out their intention with regard to the screening and proper location of the buildings which was agreeable to all parties concerned.

Mr. Finnigan said the City Council is very pleased that the Lundberg Bros. are re-locating within the City of Tacoma as they had a problem with the property on Center St. which will be taken up by the freeway.

Mr. Finnigan then moved that the City Council concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the rezoning and that an Ordinance be drafted confirming the rezone. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

b. This is the date fixed for hearing on the petition submitted by Hillcrest Investment Co. for the rezoning of property located on the west side of Sprague between So. 70th to So. 74th Sts. from an "R-2" to an "R-5-PRD" District.

No one appearing to protest, Mrs. Price moved that the City Council concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission that an Ordinance be drafted approving the rezone. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

c. The City Planning Commission recommending the denial of the petition of South Center Corporation for the rezoning of property located at So. 43rd (vacated) and Steele St. from an "R-2" to a "C-2" District.

The suggested date for hearing of this appeal from the South Center Corp. was set for March 30, 1965.

Mayor Tollefson requested that the date be changed to April 6, 1965.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the date on the appeal be set for April 6, 1965. Seconded by Mr. Murtland. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

d. The City Planning Commission recommending the denial of the petition submitted by Elmer Lipp for the rezoning of the west side of McKinley Ave. at So. 78th St. from an "R-2" to an "M-1" District.

No one appearing to protest, Dr. Herrmann moved that the City Council concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission to deny the petition for the rezoning of the west side of McKinley Ave. at So. 78th St. from an "R-2" to a "M-1" District. Seconded by Mr. Finnigan. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

PETITIONS:

a. Petition submitted by Jardeen Bros. Inc. requesting the rezoning of property located at So. 12th and Stevens from an "R-2" to an "R-4-L" District.

b. Petition submitted by Safeway Stores, Inc. requesting the rezoning of property at So. 55th and So. 56th between Park Ave. and So. G St. from an "R-2" & R-3" District to a "C-1" District.

Referred to the Planning Commission.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 18197

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute an agreement with Seifert, Forbes & Berry as architect-engineers to perform engineering services necessary for improvements to the Tacoma Industrial Airport.

Mrs. Price moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann.

Mr. Rowlands explained that this agreement has been compiled and has been given careful consideration for a number of weeks. A letter has been received from Mr. Durkee, Director for Northwest Operations of the Housing and Home Finance Agency, stating that the final plans and details for the first stage of the 5600 foot runway are included and also the plans for a 7500 foot runway if it ever extends that distance. This is now agreeable with the FAA and HHFA.

Mr. Phillips, Manager of the Airport, stated that the money to be expended is \$127,000, Federal planning grant, which is subject for repayment if and when the improvements are made.

Mr. Arthur Forbes of the firm of Seifert, Forbes & Berry, stated that he is hopeful that the work can be completed within the amount which is cut down from an original estimate of \$146,000.

The Resolution was passed by voice vote.

Ayes 7; Nays 1, Cvitanich; Absent 1, Mr. Haley.

Resolution No. 18198

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute a quit claim deed for a portion of property abutting So. 37th St. in the vicinity of Leach Creek Holding Basin to Arthur F. & Hazel York.

Mrs. Price moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann.

Mr. Schuster, Director of Public Works, explained this covers the area where the Leach Creek Dam is located which is in the County, and before the turn of the Century this area was platted property. This Resolution clears the title on the property only.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Mr. Haley.

Resolution No. 18199

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute for and on behalf of the City an agreement with the State of Washington pertaining to the reimbursement for extra maintenance repairs and reconditioning costs resulting from the use of certain City streets as state haul roads.

Mrs. Price moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Murtland.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Mr. Haley.

Resolution No. 18200

Authorizing the transfer of certain vehicles from the Dept. of Public Utilities to the General Government and Refuse Utility Dept.

Mrs. Price moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Bott.

Mr. Rowlands stated, these vehicles have been examined by the Public Works Dept. and they feel they are in satisfactory condition.

Mr. Finnigan asked what will be done with the vehicles that are being replaced.

Mr. Rowlands stated they will be turned in on some additional equipment, and some of the older equipment will be put up for sale.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.  
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Mr. Haley.

Resolution No. 18201

Adopting a Workable Program for Community Improvement of the City of Tacoma for 1965 and 1966.

Mrs. Price moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann.

Mr. Rowlands stated this Resolution brings the work that was completed last year up to date and some of the plans for this year, in all phases of the Community Development Program. This procedure is required annually to continue the Urban Redevelopment operation.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.  
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Mr. Haley.

Resolution No. 18202

Fixing Monday March 22, 1965 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for hearing on L I D 6813 for street lights on So. 56th to So. 66th and from Fife to Wapato Sts.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the Resolutinn be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Price.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.  
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Mr. Haley.

Resolution No. 18203

Fixing Monday March 22, 1965 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for hearing on L I D 6850 for street lights on So. 60th to 66th Sts, from Orchard to Manitou Way.

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

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.  
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Mr. Haley.

Resolution No. 18204

Rejecting all bids submitted for L I D 4735-Unit B.

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

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.  
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Mr. Haley.

Resolution No. 18205

Awarding contract to Titus Motor Co. on its bid of \$4,537.52 plus sales tax for the furnishing of two pickup trucks.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Price.

Mr. Rowlands stated these two trucks will be used for emergency service which is on a 24 hour basis.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.  
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Mr. Haley.

Resolution No. 18206

Appropriating the sum of \$5,063.96 from the Police Relief and Pension Fund for payment of actual expenditures required during the year 1964.

Mr. Bott moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Price.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.  
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Mr. Cvitanich (temporarily) and Mr. Haley.

Resolution No. 18207

Appropriating the sum of \$3,266.41 from the Equipment Rental Fund "B" for the purchase of additional Capital Outlay items during the year 1965.

Mrs. Price moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann.

Mr. Gaisford, Director of Finance, explained that this money was received after the budget was prepared. This sum of \$3,266.41 was from the sale of surplus equipment.

Mr. Rowlands said this surplus money will be applied on the purchase of the trucks.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote.  
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Mr. Cvitanich (temporarily) and Mr. Haley.

Resolution No. 18208

Fixing Tuesday March 2, 1965 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for hearing on the rezoning of property located on the east side of Wapato St. between So. 72nd and So. 74th Sts. (petition of Arthur C. Yeager)

Mrs. Price moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann.

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote. Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Mr. Haley.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 17780

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the official code and adding a new Section 13.06.065-40 to include property on the south side of 6th Ave. between Pearl and Vassault Sts. extended in an "R-4-L" District. (petition of David A. Hunt)

The Ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

Ordinance No. 17781

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the official code by adding a new Section 13.06.120-40 to include property on the east side of "L" St. between So. 9th and 10th Sts. in a "C-1" District. (petition of P. W. Enterprises, Inc.)

The Ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 17764 (postponed from the meeting of Feb. 9, 1965)

Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L I D 3549 for sanitary sewers on Locust Lane from No. 7th to No. 8th and other nearby streets.

Mr. Rowlands stated this ordinance was postponed at the request of Mr. Comfort, Attorney for H. Brickley Jones, residing at 8350 6th Ave. He stated he needed more time to secure an affidavit from the prior owner to confirm the duration of the sewer service.

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, stated the affidavit has been submitted to their office stating that the sewer service was connected to the property prior to 1952.

Mr. Cvitanich explained that it was the recommendation of the L I D Committee to the Council that Mr. Jones' assessment be deleted from the roll if an affidavit was submitted to prove service prior to 1954.

Mr. Johnson moved to delete M. H. Brickley Jones' property at 8350 6th Avenue from the assessment roll. Seconded by Mrs. Price. Voice vote

was taken. Motion carried.

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

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Mr. Haley.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 17778

Authorizing the condemnation of property in the area of 60th Ave. N. E. and Highline Road in N. E. Tacoma, for a public highway and related purposes.

Roll call was taken on the Ordinance resulting as follows:

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Mr. Haley.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 17779

Amending the pay and compensation Plan and Sec. 1.12.560 of the Official Code to adjust salaries of (3) positions in the Belt Line Division.

Roll call was taken on the Ordinance resulting as follows:

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Mr. Haley.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Director of Public Works presents the following assessments for hearing:

- a. L I D 4733 for paving on So. 64th from J to M; So. 68th from K to Sheridan Avenue.
- b. L I D 4747 for paving on No. 11th from Union Ave. east 755 feet.
- c. L I D 6846 for street lighting on wooden poles with overhead wiring on No. 25th from Stevens to Orchard and other nearby streets.

Mr. Finnigan moved that Monday, March 22, 1965 at 4:00 P. M. be set as the date for hearing. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

Annual Report from the State Auditor on the General Government for the period covering Jan. 1, 1963 to Dec. 31, 1963.

Placed on file in the City Clerk's office.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

Report from the Traffic Dept. for the month of January 1964 & 1965.

COMMENTS:

Mayor Tollefson stated Mayor Vraves of Fife wishes to address the Council members.

Mayor Vraves explained that the town of Fife officials met with City officials last week to discuss sewer service to the Fife area. He said this would be an economic move to have this service for both the City of Tacoma and the Town of Fife.

Mr. Rowlands explained that Mayor Vraves and his associates wanted to come before the Council at this time as they are faced with a time limit. He said the agreement would be basically the same as entered into with the Town of Milton a year ago, whereby they will pay \$60.00 per million gallons with no more than 500,000 gallons of sewage per day. He said the Town of Fife would like an agreement to extend their system outside its limits to the east to help them to finance it and also to clean up the valley. However, he added, this will have to be decided by the Council whether to extend these services to outlying areas.

Mr. Johnson asked if there would be any geographic limitation.

Mayor Vraves stated the limitation is 500,000 gallons per day and they estimate to produce 150,000 gallons of sewage which will be carried to the system at the City limits.

Mr. Schuster, Public Works Director, said they were concerned who would have control over the unincorporated area in regard to farmers draining their fields into the sewers, which would cause seepage into the lines, and also from industries producing low quality sewage.

Mayor Vraves stated the people that would hook up from the outside would enter into a contractual agreement that they would build all their facilities in accordance with City specifications and permit periodic inspection of their sewer facilities by the City.

Mr. Finnigan and Dr. Herrmann indicated that as long as the City had the capacity that more sewers would mean less pollution.

Mr. Cvitanich asked if there was a deadline on the decision of this matter in order to place it on the ballot.

Mayor Vraves stated an election will be held on April 20 which is a very short time to prepare the necessary legal documents to move forward with the project.

Mayor Tollefson stated the Council is generally in accord with the Town of Fife to include its incorporated limits into the system, but he was reluctant as to the enforcement on the property outside the limits of Fife. Mayor Tollefson asked Mr. McCormick if that could be subject to the police powers of the City of Tacoma relative to sewer service.

Mr. McCormick said under the terms of the agreement it is the responsibility of the Town of Fife to enforce the terms of the agreement.

Mr. Rowlands asked Mayor Vraves what they estimate charging for the sewer service.

Mayor Vraves replied they would charge from \$3.50 to \$3.75 per month for the residents inside of the City limits of Fife and for those residing outside the City limits there would be an additional charge of probably 50%.



Discussion was held by the Council members relative to possible restrictions of hook ups outside the Town of Fife. It was decided that no industrial plants outside the City limits of the Town of Fife be connected to the system without first obtaining the written approval of the City of Tacoma and that this be made part of the agreement.

Mrs. Price then moved that the Council be on record as approving the tentative agreement proposed and discussed by the Council with the express provisions, however, written into the agreement while residents outside of the Town of Fife maybe connected to the Fife sewer system, no industrial plants of any kind will be connected unless a written approval be first obtained by the City of Tacoma, furthermore, that the maximum volume of sewage that could be dumped into the Tacoma system would still be the same as proposed. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Mayor Tollefson then instructed the City Attorney to draw up the necessary instruments in final form including the changes as determined by the Council.

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Mr. Rowlands urged the Council members to attend a Legislative hearing in Olympia on Wednesday afternoon to oppose SB 391 pertaining to the amendments to the Firemen's Pension benefits.

Mr. Gaisford, Director of Finance, compared the Firemen's pension with other City employee's pensions pointing out the Firemen's benefits were considerably more than the other employee's pensions.

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Mr. Rowlands said the National Legislative Conference is to be held in Washington D. C. on March 30th through April 1st, 1965 and he asked to be excused to attend this conference.

Dr. Herrmann moved that Mr. Rowlands be excused. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

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There being no further business to come before the Council, upon motion duly seconded and passed the meeting adjourned at 6:20 P. M.

  
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Mayor of the City Council

Attest:   
City Clerk