

COUNCIL CHAMBER, 7:40 P. M.,

Monday, June 28, 1954.

Council met in regular session. Present 6, Bratrud, Goering, Humiston, Perdue, Stojack, Tollefson. Absent 3; Battin, taking his seat at 7:45 P. M.; Jensen, taking his seat at 7:50 P. M. and Hooker.

It was moved by Dr. Humiston that the minutes of the previous meeting, copies of which had been mailed by the Clerk to each Councilman, be approved and the reading thereof be dispensed with. Motion seconded by Mr. Perdue and carried on roll call: Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 3; Battin, Hooker, Jensen.

PETITIONS:

Frank A. Glassy, appealing from the decision of the City Planning Commission in denying his petition for rezoning of his property on South 38th Street near Pacific Avenue from R-3 Residential to C-1 Commercial, and asking for a hearing before the Council. Referred to the City Planning Commission with instructions to proceed pursuant to the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance. 271

COMMUNICATIONS:

Miss F. M. Fuchek, on behalf of protesting property owners in L.I.D. 5159- Oakland and Hillcrest Water Main District, calling attention to the methods and procedures followed by the City Council and various City Officials and employees in endeavoring to force through this improvement in spite of the protest by over 60% of the property owners. Placed on file and Clerk directed to inform Miss Fuchek that sufficient remonstrances have been filed and the ordinance creating the district is being repealed.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS:

Civil Service Board, submitting copy of objections and proposals submitted by the Joint Labor Committee on the proposed Personnel Rules for Council's convenience.

Civil Service Board, advising that in accordance with Section 6.12 of the City Charter, they have reviewed the Personnel Rules developed by the Personnel Office; that they have proposed revisions thereto and they are submitting the proposed rules together with recommendations and comments of the Civil Service Board; and stating they feel that at present these Rules, as amended by the Board, should be adopted by the City Council and put into effect as soon as practicable. 261 262 245

Mayor Tollefson referred the matter to a Council Committee to meet with the Director of Utilities, City Manager, Civil Service Board and City Attorney to scrutinize the rules and suggested revisions to see that there are no conflicts in the rules as submitted with the Charter and over-all rules. Mrs. Goering, Chairman, Dr. Humiston and Paul Perdue were appointed by the Mayor to serve on this Committee and Mrs. Goering was requested to call the meeting as soon as possible. Mr. Backstrom suggested Wednesday at 2:00 P. M. and this was agreeable to the Committee.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 13945.

BY HUMISTON:

Authorizing proper officers of City to sell to the Tacoma Junk Co.

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2529 feet of 32" steel pipe for \$1.175 per foot and 72 dressing couplings for \$1.86 each and to sell to the Department of Public Works 500 feet of 32" steel pipe for \$660.81 belonging to the Water Division.

Adopted on roll call June 28, 1954  
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Hooker.

Resolution No. 13946.

By HUMISTON:

Authorizing proper officers of the City of Tacoma to sell two telephone lines running from Hoodspoint to Cushman Dam (owned by the Light Division) to the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co. for the sum of \$300.00.

Adopted on roll call June 28, 1954.  
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Hooker/

Resolution No. 13947.

By BATTIN:

Rescinding the 1954 Construction Program of the Public Works Department, as revised by Resolution No. 13912, and adopting the proposed 1954 construction program's second revision of the Public Works Department, attached hereto, in place of the construction program authorized by Resolution No. 13912.

Adopted on roll call June 28, 1954.  
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Hooker.

Resolution No. 13948.

By JENSEN:

Approving recommendation of the Director of Public Works and Board of Contracts and Awards and awarding to Mallon Motors Inc., the contract for furnishing one Business Coupe and one Two-door Sedan for Department of Public Works, on its low bid of \$3055.06, plus sales tax, less trade-in on one 1948 model Ford Coupe and one 1947 Ford Station Wagon, in the total sum of \$460.00, making a total net bid of \$2595.06, plus sales tax.

Adopted on roll call June 28, 1954.  
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Hooker.

Resolution No. 13949.

By JENSEN:

Approving recommendation of the Director of Public Health and Welfare and the Board of Contracts and Awards and awarding to Titus Motor Co. the contract for furnishing one Business Coupe and one Two-Door Sedan for the Health & Welfare Department on its low bid of \$3115.00, plus sales tax, less trade-in on one 1948 Chevrolet Coupe and one Plymouth Coupe, in total sum of \$438.00, making a total net bid of \$2677.00 plus sales tax.

Adopted on roll call June 28, 1954.  
Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Hooker.

Resolution No. 13950.

By JENSEN:

Approving recommendation of the Director of Public Works and Board of Contracts and awards and awarding to Valley Construction Co. contract for constructing storm trunk and lateral sewers in vicinity of Thorne Road from Ross Way to 400

feet north of Lincoln Avenue, constituting L. I. D. 1924 on its low bid of \$97,867.95.

Adopted on roll call June 28, 1954.

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Hooker.

Resolution No. 13951.

By PERDUE:

Authorizing private sale of Lots 10 and 11, Block 1, Park View Addition (located on the west side of Pearl Street between North 45th and North 46th Streets) to Roy Johnson and Dorothy E. Johnson, his wife, and C. C. Cavanaugh and Mary Cavanaugh, his wife, and directing the proper officers to execute a local improvement assessment deed to said parties upon payment of sum of \$246.85.

Adopted on roll call June 28, 1954.

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Hooker.

Resolution No. 13952.

By PERDUE:

Authorizing private sale of Lots 7 to 9 inc., Block 1, Park View Addition (located on west side of Pearl Street between North 45th and North 46th Streets) to Richard Smith and Esther H. Smith, husband and wife, and authorizing and directing execution and delivery of a local improvement assessment deed to said party upon payment of sum of \$271.94.

Adopted on roll call June 28, 1954.

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Hooker

Initial Resolution No. 13953.

By HUMISTON:

For ORNAMENTAL STREET LIGHTING IMPROVEMENT\* L I D 5745.

Stating intention of Council to order installation of ornamental street lamps on standards on North 9th Street from North Stevens to North Proctor; and fixing July 27th, 1954 as date for hearing. 290

Adopted on roll call June 28, 1954.

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Hooker.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 15047.

Repealing Ordinance No. 15035 (creating L. I. D. 5159 for cast iron watermains in area between South 28th and South 36th from Mason Avenue to Lawrence Street - Oakland and Hillcrest Districts). Read by title and placed in order of final reading. 203 253

Ordinance No. 15048. L. I. D. 2204.

Providing for improvement of South Steele Street from South 38th Street to South 40th Street by grading, oil mat surfacing and storm drainage; creating L. I. D. No. 2204. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 15038 -(Laid over to this date on June 21st)

Amending Sections 21A and 21B of Ordinance No. 11314 entitled: 241

"An ordinance to fix the price of and to regulate the use and manner and conditions of selling electric energy by the City of Tacoma, etc." (Electrical Rates, Residential Rates and Commercial Light and incidental Power Rate). Read by title. It was moved by Dr. Humiston to suspend Rule 9, Seconded by Mr. Perdue and carried unanimously on voice vote. Mr. Barline, Director of Public Utilities, advised the Council that the ordinance is now up for passage is a revision of the ordinance originally submitted on June 7th, as a result of the public hearing held by the Utility Board. It was moved by Dr. Humiston to amend Ordinance No. 15038, as revised and submitted by the Utility Board. Motion seconded by Mr. Perdue, and carried on roll call: Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Hooker. The ordinance was then passed as amended without having been read in full.

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

Ordinance No. 15043.

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 area and lines, and the size of yards and other open spaces and for these purposes to divide the City into districts; and repealing Ordinances Nos. 12703, 9389 and 9598 and all amendments thereto." by amending Section 22 thereof. (Add #42-FUEL OIL AGENCIES) Read by title. Moved by Dr. Humiston to suspend Rule 9. Motion seconded by Mr. Stojack and carried unanimously on voice vote. After a short discussion it was moved by Mr. Jensen, Seconded by Mr. Bratrud to refer the ordinance to the Fire Department for their recommendation and report back at the Council meeting of July 6th. Carried on roll call: Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Hooker

Ordinance No. 15044.

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 height of buildings; to prescribe building areas and lines, and the size of 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 37A. (Providing that whenever zoning ordinance is amended to include in a different district, property formerly included within classified district boundaries of another district, such property shall be deemed to be thereupon deleted from such former district boundaries). Read in full and passed.

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

Ordinance No. 15045.

Amending Section 10 of Ordinance No. 14039 entitled: "An ordinance providing for a retirement and pension system for superannuated and disabled officers and employees of the City of Tacoma, etc. (Prior Service Liability). Read in full and passed.

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

Ordinance No. 15046.

Approving and confirming the assessment and assessment roll certified by the Director of Utilities on the 11th day of May, 1954, for the cost of the improvement in Local Improvement District No. 5171. Read by title. Moved by Dr. Humiston, seconded by Mr. Jensen 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; Hooker.

It was moved by Dr. Humiston, seconded by Dr. Battin, to suspend Rule 7, relative to the filing of new matter for Council's consideration, Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 13954.

TOLLEFSON:

Confirming the reappointment of Ralph L. Johnstone as a member of the Public Utility Board, effective July 1, 1954 for the term expiring June 30, 1959.

Adopted on roll call June 28, 1954.

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Hooker.

It was moved by Dr. Humiston, seconded by Mr. Perdue, to suspend Rule in order to permit Council to consider Resolution No. 13955, Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 13955.

HUMISTON:

Authorizing and directing City Attorney to petition the Washington Public Service Commission for leave to intervene or otherwise to appear in proceedings before said Commission of complaint of Robert F. Wright, operator of motor buses between Tacoma, Vail, Olympia and Yelm, that the Tacoma Transit Co. is operating bus service over and along the same route served by him for a distance from 7 to 8 miles south of the City of Tacoma (Spanaway Route) without authority to do, and asking that the Commission require the Transit Co. to discontinue the operation of its buses over said route.

Adopted on roll call June 28, 1954.

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1; Hooker.

It was moved by Dr. Humiston to suspend Rule 7, seconded by Mr. Stojack, in order to permit Council to give consideration to Ordinance No. 15049., Motion carried unanimously.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 15049.

Authorizing the employment of the Public Administration Service of Chicago, Illinois, to conduct an organization and administrative survey of the Department of Public Works and to present reports to the City upon the present operation and recommendations for an effective organizational arrangement; appropriating the sum of \$2500.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the General Fund for the payment of the cost thereof; and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance, the appropriation herein authorized, and the taking effect thereof immediately after publication. Read by title and placed in order of final reading.

NEW BUSINESS:


Dr. Battin read a statement he had prepared relative to progress made by the City under the new form of government, which concluded with the announcement that he had decided to become a candidate for the office of County Commissioner in the third district in the coming September primaries. Mayor Tollefson offered congratulations and best wishes to Dr. Battin in his venture and stated that it would be a real loss to the City Council should he be elected to the office of County Commissioner.

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Mayor Tollefson read a communication from the Board of Pierce County Commissioners, in reply to Council Resolution No. 13944, requesting allocation of space for General City government in the South wing on three floors in New County City Building. This communication listed 8 reasons why this was not practical, and concluded with the statement that the Board of County Commissioners has unanimously agreed that they should proceed immediately with the basic plan, complete the working drawings and specifications and get the building under construction. This communication was then referred to the Council County-City Building Committee for study and reply.

Mayor Tollefson read a letter and Resolution from the Tacoma Housing Authority, in memorial to John W. Blair, deceased, who at the time of his death was a Commissioner of the Housing Authority. Placed on file.

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

  
President of City Council

Attest:   
Deputy City Clerk.