

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers, 4:00 P. M.
Tuesday, November 1, 1966

Council met in regular session. Present on roll call 7: Bott, Cwitklich, Herrmann, Johnson, Murtland, Price and Mayor Wallefson. Absent 2: Finnigan and Haley. Mr. Haley arriving at 4:20 P. M.

Mrs. Price moved that the minutes of the meeting of October 18, 1966 be approved as submitted. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

HEARINGS & APPEALS:

This is the date set for hearing on the appeal filed by Roger L. Hanson on the denial of the request for rezoning of property located between Ea. 55th and 57th Sts., between East Q and East S Streets, from an "R-2 and R-3" to an "R-4-L" District.

Mr. Don Herron, attorney representing Mr. Hanson, said the area in which Mr. Hanson is interested is somewhat a depressed and blighted area. He felt Mr. Hanson should be encouraged and not discouraged for trying to redevelop an entire block. The public interest and benefit of the community would be served with this development, he added. One of the reasons that the Planning Commission has denied this request was that the property was not adjacent to an arterial. He pointed out that 56th Street is an arterial and Q and S streets border each end. Q Street is not completed but S Street is a gravel road now but would be completed if this project is approved.

Mr. Herron further explained that the Commission stated that an apartment development might tend to discourage further single family dwelling development. Due to the topographical problems he felt the single family homes are not economically feasible to build.

Mr. Buehler, Director of Planning, explained that the area is beginning to develop with single family homes and he felt the apartment zoning would set a bad precedent as it would definitely be spot zoning.

Mr. Buehler further explained that the applicant has requested the rezoning to erect an eight unit apartment on the N. E. corner of the site. It was felt by the Planning Commission that an apartment construction would tend to discourage single family dwellings. Upon construction of proper utilities and street improvements, this area can develop into single family dwellings under the existing zoning.

After some discussion, Mrs. Price moved that the hearing be postponed until Wednesday, November 9, 1966. Seconded by Mr. Murtland. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 18921

Fixing Tuesday, December 13, 1966 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for hearing for consideration of the Amended Urban Renewal Plan for the Fawcett Project, Wash. R-3.

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

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

Resolution No. 18922

Fixing Monday Nov. 28, 1966 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for hearing on U I D 5429 for water mains in So. 13th, 14th, Melrose & 15th from Union Ave. to Puget Sound Ave.; Puget Sound Ave. from So. 13th, 14th and Melrose to So. 15th and in Union from So. 15th to 18th Streets.

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

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

Resolution No. 18923

Fixing Tuesday, November 29, 1966 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for hearing on the vacation of property on East 55th St. and the alley immediately south between Portland Ave. and East N Street. (petition of Hillcrest Investment Co., Inc.)

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

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

Resolution No. 18924

Fixing Tuesday, November 22, 1966 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for hearing for the rezoning of property located on the S. W. corner of No. 26th and Vassault Sts. (petition of Northridge Development Corp.)

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

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

Resolution No. 18925

Fixing Tuesday, Nov. 22, 1966 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for hearing for the rezoning of property bounded by Steele St., No. 11th, Sheridan Ave. and the alley between Sheridan and Cushman Ave. (petition of Leo B. Seiwerath)

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

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

Resolution No. 18926

Fixing Tuesday November 15, 1966 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for hearing for the annexation of the area in the vicinity of So. 92nd and Hosmer Streets. (petition of Oscar Hokold) //

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

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

Resolution No. 18927

Authorizing the City Manager to apply to the State Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation or a grant of funds to aid in the acquisition of property along Ruston Way for scenic parkway along Commencement Bay, and rescinding Resolution No. 18861.

Mrs. Price moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Haley.

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

Resolution No. 18928

Authorizing the filing of an amendatory application for loan and grant for the Fawcett Urban Renewal Project No. Wash. R-3.

Mr. Haley moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Johnson.

The Resolution was passed by voice vote.
Ayes 7; Nays 1, Cvitanich; Absent 1, Finnigan.

Resolution No. 18929

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute for and on behalf of the City a written agreement with Ernst & Ernst for consultant services to review accounting procedures of the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Dept. to comply with the requirements of the governmental agencies administering the Medicare Program.

Mr. Haley moved that the resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Price.

Mr. Rowlands stated, this Resolution is required so that the City can be reimbursed adequately for the services performed by the nurses in connection with Medicare patients.

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

Resolution No. 18930

Awarding contract to Morris Construction Co. on its bid of \$193,351.60 for Improvement No. 3055-D-2. (T & E Gulch)

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

Mr. Rowlands explained, this is one of the first contracts let under the Housing and Urban Development program. Part of the grant is to be reimbursed by the State and 50% from the Federal Government.

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

Mayor Tollefson asked what funds are needed to complete the sewer system to the Industrial area. He recalled an application was submitted by the City, but he wondered if the funds had been approved.

Mr. Rowlands said the application was submitted prior to July 1st, 1966. He thought the sum was approximately \$2,750,000 which was requested through the Economic Development Administration. However, after July 1st the City of Tacoma was no longer eligible for EDA funds; consequently many discussions have been carried on with Washington D. C. and the local offices and it appears that six to eight times as many requests have been received as there are grants. The Port of Tacoma through the activity of the city, did get a grant earlier in the year. He noted it was questionable whether the city will receive any grant, but the staff has not given up hope.

Resolution No. 18931

Awarding contract to Morris Construction Co. on its bid of \$12,323.07 and for the supplemental bid of \$1,723.99 for L I D 3628.

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

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

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 18165

Changing Tacoma Ave. between Division Ave. & So. 96th St. to be designated as Tacoma Avenue South.

The ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 18163

Vacating State Street lying between the north line of So. Tacoma Way and the south line of the N.P. R. R. r/o/w located to the north. (petition of Northwest Chair)

Roll call was taken on the ordinance resulting as follows:

Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Finnigan.
The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 18164

Providing for the improvement of L I D 4798 for paving on So. Fife Street from So. 68th to So. 70th and other nearby south end streets.

Mayor Tollefson said at the L I D hearing on Monday, Oct. 24, 1966 the property owners interested in opposing the L I D wanted to know if they could have more time in which to obtain protests. They were advised they had 30 days after the ordinance passes in which to file more protests. Therefore, additional protests were filed in the area of McKinley Ave. and East K St. bringing the percentage to 64.7% against that area.

He added, there was also opposition to the area of South 68th and Wapato. Those living on higher ground opposed the storm drains which would seem to be of primary benefit to those living on lower ground.

Mr. Bott said inasmuch as there was 64.7% protests against the area of East 51st and McKinley to K St., he would move that this area be deleted. Seconded by Mrs. Price. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, explained there is an alternate choice in regard to drainage improvements. The Council can delete this portion of the L I D and improve the remaining area. As far as the paving is concerned in this L I D, it is a separated segment which in other cases has been deleted.

Mrs. H. Berndt, 6631 So. Wapato, explained in detail the reasons she was not in favor of the L I D and felt the people against the improvement were being discriminated against.

Mr. E. R. Davidson of 6838 So. Wapato and Mr. Clyde Christian of 6802 So. Wapato were in favor of the improvement.

Mayor Tollefson explained, if the objectors still feel that the project does not benefit them at the time of the assessment roll hearing their property could be deleted from the district.

Roll call was taken on the ordinance resulting as follows:

Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 3, Bott, Cvitarich and Finnigan.
The Ordinance, as amended, was declared passed by the Chairman.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

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

L I D 2369 for an oil mat surface along Ea. 63rd from Ea. S to Ea. Q Sts.

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L I D 3605 for sanitary sewers on Pearl from No. 7th to No. 18th; storm drains on Pearl from No. 8th to 550 feet north of No. 14th; No. 8th from Pearl to alley east of Woodlawn St.

L I D 3624 for sanitary sewers in the alley south of East 56th from East N to 300 feet east.

Mr. Haley moved that Monday, Nov. 23, 1966 at 4:00 P. M. be set as the date of hearing on the assessment rolls for L I D 2369, 3605 and 3624. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Personnel Report for the month of September 1966.
- b. Water & Light Division reports for the month of Sept. 1966.
- c. Traffic Division report for the month of Sept. 1966.
- d. Director of Finance report for the month of Sept. 1966.

COMMENTS:

Mr. Rowlands announced that the City Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 9th, 1966 at 4:00 P. M. rather than on Tuesday as Nov. 8th is election day.

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Mr. Murtland remarked that the Council was honored in having City Manager, Mr. Rowlands, elected to the Presidency of the International City Managers' Association.

Mr. Rowlands thanked Mr. Murtland and said he considered it recognition for the city's accomplishments which the Council and his staff had made possible.

There being no further business to come before the Council, upon motion duly seconded and passed the meeting adjourned at 6:00 P. M.

JAM Jollison

Mayor of the City Council

Attest *Josephine Melton*

City Clerk