

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers, 4:00 P.M.
Tuesday, August 3, 1965

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

Mr. Haley moved that the minutes of the meeting of July 20, 1965 be approved as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Mr. Haley moved that the rules be suspended to reconsider Resolution No. 18387 relative to Adopting the Memorandum of Understanding between the Washington State Highway Commission and the City of Tacoma for the Puget Sound Regional Transportation Continuing Planning Program. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 18387

Adopting Memorandum of Understanding between the Washington State Highway Commission and the City of Tacoma for the Puget Sound Regional Transportation Continuing Planning Program.

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

The Resolution was passed unanimously by voice vote. Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2: Finnigan and Murtland.

HEARINGS & APPEALS:

a. This is the date set for hearing on the rezoning of property located at the N. E. corner of So. 72nd and Pacific Ave. from an "R-2" to a "C-1" District, submitted by P. J. Gallagher.

No one appearing and no protests being made Mr. Haley moved that the proper Ordinance be drafted approving the rezone. Seconded by Mrs. Price. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

b. This is the date set for hearing on the appeal filed by the Safeway Stores, Inc. for the rezoning of property located at So. 55th & 56th Sts. between Park Ave. and So. G St. from an "R-2" and "R-3" to a "C-1" District.

Mr. Buehler, City Planning Director, pointed out the proposed area to be rezoned on the map.

Mr. L. R. Ghilarducci, Jr. attorney representing Safeway Stores, said it was not economically feasible for Safeway to build a new store at 56th and M at the present location of their Safeway Store,

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and it was not practical for Safeway to join the other markets at 56th and Pacific. He added, Safeway had closed one small store at 45th and Pacific Avenue and proposes to close the one at 56th and M as they wish to service the area with a more adequate store.

Mr. William Robertson, real estate manager for Safeway, and Fred Bucholtz, Tacoma district manager, both spoke in favor of the rezoning.

Mr. Bucholtz stated that Safeway must replace its 20-year old stores with a 20,000 square foot store to remain competitive. The old stores carry approximately 2,000 items whereas the new stores can hold 7,000.

Mr. Norman Smith, Chairman of the Planning Commission, explained that the planning Commission is anticipating 20 to 40 years in the future and the Commission felt that large commercial districts should be a reasonable distance apart.

Mr. Russell Buehler said the approval of the rezone would create a large new commercial center too close to the existing larger centers.

Mr. Finnigan coming in at 4:20 P. M.

Mayor Tolleson said he felt that approval of this rezoning would lead to other rezoning requests for expansion of the commercial area at 46th and Park which might lead to strip commercial zoning along 56th St.

Mr. Johnson stated he felt there is already commercial zoning to a considerable extent along 56th St. and the new Safeway store would improve the quality of the existing commercial district.

Jack Hoffman of the Fanning-Starkey Company who had options on the property stated that a canvas of the residents of the area showed they were in favor of the super-market.

A petition was submitted by property owners in the area overwhelmingly favoring the rezone.

Mary Claus, Mike Antush, Martin Jensen, and Mr. Milandi stated they were against the rezone.

Mayor Tolleson stated that he did not think the Planning Commission was in error in denying the rezoning. He added, the Council is inclined to overrule the Planning Commission too readily. There have been two hearings held on this matter by the Planning Commission and Mayor Tolleson feels that these men are dedicated to give these matters thorough scrutiny.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the City Council concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission to deny the Safeway rezoning. Seconded by Mr. Haley. Roll call was taken on the Motion: ayes 3; Nays 5; Bott, Cvitanich, Finnigan, Johnson, and Price. MOTION LOST.

Mrs. Price then moved to overrule the planning commissions decision to deny the rezoning and that the proper ordinance be drafted approving the rezoning with the necessary conditions to make the facilities compatible with the neighborhood. Seconded by Mr. Finnigan. Voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

c. This is the postponed date for hearing on the rezoning of property located at the N.E. corner of So. 39th and Sheridan Ave. from an R-1 to a C-1 District, submitted by Nickum Properties, Inc.

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Mayor Tolleson stated that a communication was received from J. T. Tenneson, Jr., Assistant Vice President of the Nickum Properties,

Inc. requesting that their application for rezoning at the NE corner of So. 39th and Sheridan Ave. be withdrawn at this time.

Dr. Herrmann moved that the application for the rezoning from Nickum Properties, Inc. be withdrawn. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried.

d. This is the date set for hearing on the vacation of the alley between 6th Ave. and No. 7th from No. Stevens to Mason St. submitted by the Hardman Company.

No one appearing and no protests being made, Dr. Herrmann moved that the proper Ordinance be drafted approving the vacation. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. Voice vote taken.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 18392

Authorizing an agreement with the Washington State Highway Dept. for the construction by the state Highway Dept. of the work in connection with the relocation and separation of the storm drainage and sanitary sewer system on A Street in the vicinity of the Pacific Ave. Interchange, not to exceed the sum of \$8,000.

Mr. Bott moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Johnson.

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

Resolution No. 18393

Authorizing the release of a service wire easement at So. 72nd & Park Ave.

Mr. 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: Murtland.

Resolution No. 18394

Authorizing the purchase of land at the southeast corner of So. 12th & Whitman from the Tacoma School Dist. No. 10 for a distribution substation site to serve the Tacoma Community College.

Mr. 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: Murtland.

Resolution No. 18395

Authorizing the sale of surplus wire to Mason County Public

Utility District No. 1 for the purchase price of \$1,865.50.

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

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

Resolution No. 18396

Authorizing the execution of a local improvement assessment deed to Lorenzo G. & Anna M. Alotta for unimproved property located at the southeast corner of No. 47th & Winnifred Sts. for the sum of \$27.00.

Mr. Finnigan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Price.

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

Resolution No. 18397

Awarding contract to Tucci & Sons on its bid of \$46,152.11 for Improv. No. 3051-D-2 incl. sales tax.

Mr. Haley moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Finnigan.

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

Resolution No. 18398

Awarding contract to Russ Dunwire Oldsmobile Inc. on its bid of \$3,344.82 incl. sales tax for the furnishing of one four-door Hardtop Sedan.

Mr. Haley moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Finnigan.

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

Resolution No. 18399

Settling the claim of Avis Samuelson for the sum of \$1,440.10.

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

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

Resolution No. 18400

Fixing Monday August 23, 1965 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for

hearing on L I D. 3269 for grading and oil mat surface on East 63rd from East S to Q Street.

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: Murtland.

Resolution No. 18401

Fixing Tuesday August 17, 1965 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for hearing on the rezoning of property on the east side of So. C St. between So. 88th & So. 90 St. extended. (petition of Darrell Sanders etal.)

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

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

Resolution No. 18402

Fixing Tuesday August 24, 1965 at 4:00 p. M. as the date for hearing on the rezoning of property located at the S. W. corner of East 84th & McKinley Ave. from an "R-2" to an "R-4-L" District. (petition of Eider A. Herstad.)

Mr. Finnigan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

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

Resolution No. 18403

Fixing Tuesday, August 24, 1965 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for hearing on the proposed Amendment to the Temporary Use of Premises. (Zoning Ord. Text changes).

Mr. Finnigan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Cvitanich.

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

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 17897

Vacating the area generally bounded by So. 12th, Pearl St., So. 19th and Mildred Street, the Community College site. (petitioned by the Tacoma School Dist. No. 10.)

The Ordinance was placed in order of final reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 17893

Providing for the issuance and sale of General Obligation Refunding Bonds of the city in the principal sum of \$689,000.

Roll call was taken on the Ordinance resulting as follows:

Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2: Murtland and Johnson (temporarily).
The Ordinance was declared passed by the Chairman.

Ordinance No. 17894

Providing for the improvement of L I D 5408 for water mains in 64th St. West from Orchard St. to 57th Ave. West & 57th Ave. West from 64th St. West to approximately 1450 feet north.

Several property owners from the area were present and voiced their opinion favoring the improvement.

Mr. Rowlands said that some of the property owners have withdrawn their protests which leaves 32.18% protests filed against the district.

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

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

Ordinance No. 17895

Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L I D 6811 for street lighting on So. Fife to Wapato from So. 66th to So. 74th Street.

Roll call was taken on the Ordinance resulting as follows:

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

Ordinance No. 17896

Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L I D 6840 for street lighting on No. 13th from Stevens to Orchard, No. Vassault & Bristol from 26th to 27th on Linden Lane from 6th Ave. to So. 12th Street.

Roll call was taken on the Ordinance resulting as follows:

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

REPORTS:

Report from the L I D Committee recommending to the City Council that L I D 2366 for grading and oil-mat surface on So. 64th St. from Wapato east 500 feet be abandoned.

Mr. Haley moved that L I D 2366 for grading and oil-mat surface on So. 64th St. from Wapato east 500 feet be abandoned. Seconded by Dr. Herrmann. Voice vote taken. Motion Carried.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Report from the Fire Dept. for the month of June 1965.
- b. Report from the Tacoma Police Traffic Division for June 1965.
- c. Report from the Light, Water & Belt Line Division for June 1965.

COMMENTS:

Mr. Rowlands said a letter was received from Mr. E. L. Perry, General Manager of the Port of Tacoma, stating that it would be in the best interests of both the City and Port to defer any further study on double-decking of 11th Street until after the results of the Sverdrup & Parcel study has been submitted to the State and City for evaluation. He added, Mr. Glaze of the State Highway Dept. stated that a report should be available during the first of next year.

Mr. Rowlands stated that the Police Dept. of the City of Tacoma received an Outstanding Achievement Award in Police Traffic supervision. He added, that Tacoma was one of four cities in the entire United States in the city's population group that has received this award. Mr. Rowlands said that Chief Zickel and ~~John~~ Smith of the Police Dept. should be commended. 235

Mr. Rowlands stated that last week the State Highway Dept. had a hearing on the additional right-of-way at 72nd and 74th St. It was brought to the Department's attention that the interchange at So. 56th and Ferry Sts. is hazardous and the flow of traffic is complicated from Railroad St. and Ferry St. across 56th. He said Mr. Schuster, Director of Public Works, explained the seriousness of the problem to Mr. Kerslake of the State Highway Dept. and Mr. Kerslake said that his Dept. would study the problem.

Mrs. Price stated that Thursday, August 12, 1965 is the Fishing Derby and asked how many Councilmen would be able to attend. All members except Mr. Johnson said they would be going.

Mrs. Price stated that she has for Council's information, recommendations on the preliminary draft from the Puget Sound Regional Transportation Study of all the Chapters to date.

Mr. Rowlands stated the staff would try to keep the Council informed of any further developments.

Dr. Herrmann expressed his appreciation to the Council for the opportunity of attending the National League of Cities convention in Detroit. He added, that Mayor Tollefson was Chairman of the Resolutions committee at this convention and was elected Vice President of the organization. Next year, he added, our Mayor will be President of the National League of Cities for which Tacoma should be proud.

Mayor Tollefson reported on the convention as well as the conference in Washington, D. C. prior to going to Detroit. He added that Detroit has an extensive Urban Renewal program and much has been accomplished.

Mr. Cvitanich suggested that some type of criteria from the Planning Commission should be formulated so that the City Council could have an Ordinance drafted in regard to vacant re-zoned properties.

Mr. McCormick, City Attorney, stated that there was at present an Ordinance being drafted for approval of the Council.

Mr. Cvitanich asked why the wading pools are not opened on Saturdays and Sundays during the very hot weather.

Mrs. Price stated that there are no funds available.

Mr. Cvitanich stated that he felt that the Metropolitan Park Board could reschedule the hours of their employees so this could be done.

Mr. Bott stated that there will be a Lawyer-Layman Conference on Traffic Courts and Traffic Safety on Sept. 17, 1965, at the Olympic Hotel in Seattle.

Mr. Rowlands stated that his staff would be glad to make arrangements for the Council to attend.

Mr. Bott asked if anything is being done to control the visibility of intersections that are being obstructed due to overgrowth of hedges, as it is a real serious problem.

Mr. Schuster, Director of Public Works, stated that the City does have an Ordinance regarding this matter and it is up to the general public to report these hazardous intersections.

Mr. Bott asked when the Neighborhood Youth Corps Program was scheduled to start here in the City.

Mr. Rowlands stated that from what he could ascertain, Tacoma has been scheduled for the fall.

There being no further business, to come before the Council, upon motion duly seconded and passed, the meeting adjourned at 7:00 P. M.

Resolved, That the City Council do hereby...

W. M. Johnson

Mayor of the City Council

Attest: *Jessie M. Miller*
City Clerk

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