



City Council Minutes

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City Council Chambers, 747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma, Washington 98402

April 28, 1998

The meeting was called to order at 5:11 p.m.

Present on roll call: 8 - Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, Miller, Phelps, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole. Absent: 1 - McGavick.

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member Silas.

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 34032

Setting Tuesday, June 9, 1998, at 9:00 a.m. as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on the request to vacate a portion of South 35th Street east of Pacific Avenue. (David B. Knodel; File No. 124.1069)

Resolution No. 34033

Setting Tuesday, June 9, 1998, at 9:00 a.m. as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on the request to vacate East J Street south of East 58th Street to the alley. (David A. Potterton; File No. 124.1070)

Resolution No. 34034

Setting Tuesday, May 12, 1998, at approximately 6:00 p.m. as the date for a public hearing by the City Council regarding amendments to Chapter 13.08 of the Municipal Code relative to the Open Space Current Use Assessment to comply with state law.

Resolution No. 34035

Setting Tuesday, June 9, 1998, at approximately 6:00 p.m. as the date for a public hearing by the City Council regarding the Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Program for 1999-2004 and the Amended 1998 Transportation Program.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- a. Hearing Examiner's Agenda, April 28, 1998.
- b. Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, April 8, 1998.
- c. Minutes of the Regional/Urban Design Assistance Team (R/UDAT) Implementation Task Force, March 13, 1998.
- d. Minutes of the Tacoma Area Task Force on Disabilities, March 26, 1998.
- e. Minutes of the Board of Trustees of the Tacoma Public Library, March 18, 1998.
- f. Minutes of the study session of the Board of Trustees of the Tacoma Public Library, March 25, 1998.
- g. Minutes of the Urban Policy Committee, March 4, 5, 11, and 12, 1998.

Deputy Mayor Crowley moved that the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 34032 through 34035, be approved. Seconded by Council Member Silas. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 34032 through 34035, was declared approved.

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Ebersole proclaimed the week of May 3-9, 1998, as "Drinking Water Week" and presented the proclamation to Mr. John Kirner, Deputy Water Superintendent.

REGULAR AGENDA

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

Resolution No. 34036

Reappointing Council Member Miller to the Pierce Transit Board for a term to expire on April 30, 2001.

Mayor Ebersole moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Silas. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

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Resolution No. 34042

Appointing individuals to the Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority and the Urban Policy Committee.

Deputy Mayor Crowley moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Baarsma. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 25942

Vacating the west 10 feet of White Street, north of North 30th Street, abutting 2603 North 30th Street, to allow construction of a carport or garage. (Wil and Joyce Hakala; File No. 124.1032)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, Miller, Phelps, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – McGavick

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Council Member De Forrest moved to suspend the rules to consider the appeal of Gray Lumber Company at this time. Seconded by Council Member Kirby. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS (BEGAN AT 5:40 P.M.)

- a. William T. Lynn, from the law office of Gordon, Thomas, Honeywell, Malanca, Peterson & Daheim, on behalf of Gray Lumber Company, appealing the recommendation of the Hearing Examiner on the denial to reclassify the property fronting South Seventh Street, between Proctor and Adams Streets, from an "R-2" One-Family Dwelling District to an "M-1" Light Industrial District. (Gray Lumber Company; File No. REZ97-00012) (Continued from the meeting of March 3, 1998.)

Deputy Mayor Crowley moved to indefinitely continue the appeal of Gray Lumber Company, per their request. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

The appeal was declared closed at 5:41 p.m.

Ordinance No. 26197

Vacating Augusta Drive NE, 44th Avenue NE, and the adjacent alley in Northshore Country Club Estates Division II, to construct private, gated streets and alleys. (Novastar Development; File No. 124.1063)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, Miller, Phelps, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – McGavick

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26216

Authorizing the extension of the cable television franchise agreement with TCI of Tacoma, Inc., through June 30, 1998.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, Miller, Phelps, and Silas

Nays: 1 – Mayor Ebersole

Absent: 1 – McGavick

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26217

Authorizing the extension of the cable television franchise agreement with Cable TV Puget Sound, Inc., through June 30, 1998.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, Miller, Phelps, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – McGavick

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Ordinance No. 26219

Appropriating \$900,000 from the Capital Improvements Summary Fund for the construction of the Fire Training Center located at 2124 Marshall Avenue.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, Miller, Phelps, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – McGavick

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26220

Authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement with Pierce County in the amount of \$4,000 to implement a mentoring project and provide training resources for child care providers of children with special needs; accepting, depositing in and appropriating said sum from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund for said purpose.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, Miller, Phelps, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – McGavick

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26221

Authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement with Pierce County, in the amount of \$8,000 for the Child Care Resource and Referral Service; accepting, depositing in and appropriating said sum from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund for said purpose.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, Miller, Phelps, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – McGavick

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26222

Authorizing the execution of a Public Works Trust Fund Construction Loan Agreement with the Washington State Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development, in the amount of \$10,000,000, for the construction of certain public works projects; accepting, depositing in and appropriating said sum from the Capital Improvements Summary Fund for said purpose.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, Miller, Phelps, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – McGavick

The Ordinance was declared passed.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 26218

Vacating portions of East N Street north of East 26th Street and south of the alley between East 25th and East 26th Streets to combine the vacated right-of-way with the abutting property for a shipping and storage area. (Steve M. Paul; File No. 124.1065)

Council Member Miller moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Crowley. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading to a date to be determined.

Ordinance No. 26223

Amending Chapter 1.30 of the Municipal Code relating to the Tacoma Employees' Retirement System to include the Personal Time Off plan.

Speaking before the Council was:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Phyllis Barrett	912 South Cushman

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 26224

Authorizing the execution of a grant award contract with the Washington State Department of Ecology; accepting, depositing in and appropriating \$803,400 from the Sewer Construction Fund for the clean-up of a habitat restoration site on Middle Waterway.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 26225

Accepting \$40,000 from Olympic Counseling Services; depositing said sum in the Community Development Block Grant Summary Fund for the sale of property located at 2919 Portland Avenue; authorizing the execution of a quitclaim deed for said property; accepting \$4.00 from the Tacoma Rescue Mission; depositing said sum in the Community Development Block Grant Summary Fund; accepting \$2,000 from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development; depositing said sum in the Miscellaneous Trust Summary Fund; appropriating \$40,004 from the Community Development Block Grant Summary Fund for Community Development Block Grant eligible projects and \$2,000 from the Miscellaneous Trust Summary Fund for HOME Grant eligible projects.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

RESOLUTIONS

Purchase Resolution No. 34037

Awarding contracts to:

1. Graybar Electric Company, Inc., on its bid of \$81,768 for ornamental streetlight standards for Proctor, Stadium and Upper Tacoma Business Districts - Specification No. G-015-98;
2. IntelSoft, Inc., on its bid of \$27,414 for a telecommunications remote site polling package - Specification No. G-008-98;
3. DDI Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$300,000 for emergency sanitary sewer replacement on South 48th Street between Orchard and Gove Streets - Work Order No. DC1108 - Emergency Purchase Order No. E-29758;
4. Smith Tractor & Equipment Co., Inc., in the amount of \$102,172.42 for one bucket loader - Interlocal Agreement with Island County; and
5. Approval of interlocal agreements with the cities of Sumner, Bremerton, and Orting, and Kittitas County.

Council Member Miller moved that the Purchase Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Crowley. Voice vote was taken and carried on the Purchase Resolution. The Purchase Resolution was declared adopted.

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Resolution No. 34038

Approving the release of a utility easement in the vicinity of Wilkeson Street south of South 52nd Street to clear title to the property.

Deputy Mayor Crowley moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Silas. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 34039

Authorizing the submittal of a grant application to the Washington State Department of Ecology under the Ecology Model Toxics Control Act, in the amount of \$2,800,000, for solid waste and stormwater utility projects.

Deputy Mayor Crowley moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Silas. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 34040

Amending Resolution No. 33252 regarding payment to North Shore Golf Course for certain impacts associated with the construction of storm drainage trunk system improvements crossing the golf course to increase the regional storm drainage system capacity.

Deputy Mayor Crowley moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Silas. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 34041

Authorizing the submittal of a grant application to the Washington State Department of Natural Resources for an Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account grant, in the amount of \$75,000, for pile removal, design and development of a public access information kiosk at the Olympic View Resource Area habitat restoration project site.

Deputy Mayor Crowley moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Baarsma. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER

City Manager Ray E. Corpuz Jr. requested a three-month residency waiver for Mr. Paul Goulding for the position of Assistant City Attorney in the Legal Department's Criminal Justice Division.

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Deputy Mayor Crowley moved to authorize the City Manager to grant Mr. Paul Goulding a three-month residency waiver for the position of Assistant City Attorney in the Legal Department's Criminal Justice Division. Seconded by Council Member Miller. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS (BEGAN AT 5:54 P.M.)

- a. William T. Lynn, from the law office of Gordon, Thomas, Honeywell, Malanca, Peterson & Daheim, on behalf of Gray Lumber Company, appealing the recommendation of the Hearing Examiner on the denial to reclassify the property fronting South Seventh Street, between Proctor and Adams Streets, from an "R-2" One-Family Dwelling District to an "M-1" Light Industrial District. (Gray Lumber Company; File No. REZ97-00012) (Continued from the meeting of March 3, 1998.)

The appeal was considered earlier in the agenda.

- b. This is the date set for a public hearing by the City Council on the proposed 1998 Annual Action Plan for the City of Tacoma's Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development.

The public hearing was declared open at 5:54 p.m.

Speaking before Council were:

Name	Address/Affiliation
Scott Alexander	Chair, Urban Policy Committee
Hector Diaz	508 - 6th Avenue #7 New Day Program
Maria Corpus	1726 East 40th Street Community Greening Project
Sophana Chhoeun	2201 East 42nd Street Community Greening Project
Sue Bernstein	608 East Division Lane Community Greening Project
Ron Vignec	1728 East 44th Street Tahoma Food Systems, Diaz Art for Youth
Leedia Baily	1023 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way Main Street Upper Tacoma Program
Jeff Robinson	Director of Economic Development, Martin Luther King Housing Development Association Main Street Upper Tacoma Program

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS (CONTINUED)

Name	Address/Affiliation
Nancy Ryan	Deputy Director, Pierce County AIDS Foundation
Kathy Van Pelt	Public Works Engineering, Urban Forestry Community Greening Program
Carrie Little	Coordinator, Guadalupe Garden Project Community Greening Program
David Boyd	Director, King Center, Homeless Shelter Program
Debbie Kray	Curator of Education, Tacoma Art Museum Art After School, Art in the Summer Program
Dorothy Werner	Tacoma Art Museum After School Funding
Ginger Marquez	Centro Latino SER Housing Assistance Program
Qy-Ana Manning	Centro Latino SER Housing Assistance Program
Janis Gall Martin	Director, Safe Homes
Henry Clingan	Co-Chair, Garden Circles Tahoma Food Systems and BUGS Programs
Milo MacLachlan	Pierce College VOTE Program
Lonee Kaleiwahea	Diversion Program/Juvenile Court Community Service by Youth Program
Christopher Ensor	Executive Director, Tacoma Area Coalition of Individuals with Disabilities (TACID) TACID Housing Program
Anita Kent	Manager, Overnight Neighborhood Emergency Respite Shelter Program
Mike Lonergan	Director, Tacoma Rescue Mission
Julie Butler	Phoebe House
Mozella Pooley	8041 East Sherwood
Jeffery Clark	The Greening Program

The public hearing was declared closed at 7:00 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Unfinished business was held earlier in the meeting.

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REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER

Reports by the City Manager was held earlier in the meeting.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL

Council Member Silas reported on her trip to the City of Tacoma's Sister City, George, South Africa, where she represented the Mayor and the City of Tacoma. She stated that the Sister City Committee was well received and that the City of Tacoma has a beautiful sister city. She stated that officials from George, South Africa, are anxious to work with representatives of the City of Tacoma. Council Member Silas stated that she would like to give a more detailed report at a later date when the slides and pictures are available. She then presented, from the Mayor of the City of George, to the Mayor and City Council of Tacoma, a beautiful hardwood clock.

Mayor Ebersole stated that it was a beautiful hardwood clock inscribed with the words: "Presented to Tacoma, our Sister City, commemorating the signing ceremony, April 22, 1998, the City of George, South Africa." Mayor Ebersole thanked Council Member Silas for representing the City of Tacoma. He stated that the City of Tacoma is beginning to be recognized as an international city and that these kinds of ties with the new country of South Africa, which is going through a dramatic transformation, are an important step for the City of Tacoma as we develop our image as an international city.

Council Member Miller moved to excuse Council Member McGavick from tonight's meeting. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Crowley. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Council Member Phelps congratulated the Regional/Urban Development Assistance Team (R/UDAT) for an outstanding effort. He then recognized Blake Bolton, R/UDAT Chair; Karen Knipher, Tacoma Rescue Mission; Donna Stenger, Planning and Development Services; and Juli Wilkerson, Director of Planning and Development Services. Council Member Phelps then thanked the *News Tribune* for an outstanding job of garnering community effort, he also congratulated the community. Council Member Phelps stated that last Saturday over 200 people attended the discussion regarding the R/UDAT area at the Sheraton Tacoma Hotel. He stated that another 200 people also attended the press announcement, which he thought represents the City of Tacoma's community involvement and the efforts of the Neighborhood Councils.

Council Member Miller welcomed Council Member Silas back.

Council Member Miller then stated that he was upset after reading the letter from Don Brunell, President, Association of Washington Business, regarding issues with the trucking industry. He stated that he thought the City Council and City staff have made a substantial good-faith effort on trying to work through the issues. He thanked Larry Pursley, Washington Trucking Association, and his representative for clarifying the record.

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Mayor Ebersole stated that Larry Pursley wrote to the City Council that the Washington Trucking Association is pleased with the process and progress by the City of Tacoma and that he took exception to Mr. Brunell's letter to the editor.

Mayor Ebersole thanked Deputy Mayor Crowley and Council Members Phelps and Miller for their work on the R/UDAT study. He stated that they did a great job in representing the City of Tacoma in that effort.

Mayor Ebersole then announced that the Police Mountain Bike Association, with representatives from throughout the nation and other countries, is in Tacoma this week for its convention. He congratulated Tacoma's police officers for doing a great job of hosting the convention.

Council Member Baarsma stated that in a few weeks the City Council will be sponsoring the annual City of Destiny Awards ceremony, which offers the City Council an opportunity to pay tribute to those citizens and groups that have done extraordinarily good work over the years. He stated that he mentioned this because over the past several weeks two of Tacoma's citizens have passed away. He first mentioned Ms. Margaret Anderson, whose spouse is Norm Anderson, who served with distinction on the Tacoma School Board and was one of Council Member Baarsma's colleagues at the University of Puget Sound. He stated that Ms. Anderson was one of the founders of the Tacoma Urban League and was its first treasurer. He stated that Ms. Anderson was a person of strong views and solid core beliefs, who did many good things for her community and would be deeply missed. Council Member Baarsma then noted Ms. Elsie Strobel. He stated that her spouse is Mr. Bob Strobel. He stated that Ms. Strobel was involved in many activities, but began as an active participant in the Parent Teachers Association (PTA). He stated that she had seven daughters who graduated from Lincoln High School. Council Member Baarsma stated that she then went on to become the secretary of the Washington Congress of PTA, was on the site committee for Foss High School, and was active in the creation of Tacoma Community College. He stated that she was president of the University of Puget Sound Women's League and the Municipal League and was recognized by a host of organizations, including the Rotary and Municipal League and the National Conference of Christians and Jews. He stated that she was an extraordinary person and a wonderful human being.

Deputy Mayor Crowley stated that he had represented the Mayor by cutting the ribbon for the March of Dimes Walk America, which was attended by thousands of people who were showing their commitment to preventing birth defects. He stated that the gymnasium at Wilson High School was reserved for a group of 1,000 high school students from Bethel High School who were walking in the March of Dimes Walk.

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Deputy Mayor Crowley stated that he made the opening remarks for the public forum for the R/UDAT. He stated that it was great to see 200 people in attendance at the forum. He stated a number of issues from the R/UDAT report were raised at the public forum. He stated that the next public meeting for the implementation team would be Monday, May 18, 5:30 p.m., at the Sheraton Tacoma Hotel Convention Center.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.



BRIAN EBERSOLE, MAYOR

ATTEST:



RICK ROSENBLADT, CITY CLERK