

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers  
June 9, 1981

The meeting was called to order at 5:12 p.m.

Present on roll call: 7 - Bichsel, Hawkins, Kirby, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Strege and Sutherland. Absent: 2 - Hyde and Mayor Parker. Councilman Hyde arrived at 5:14 p.m. and Mayor Parker arrived at 5:25 p.m.

The Flag Salute was led by Deputy Mayor Nielsen.

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Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of June 2, 1981.

PETITIONS:

Residents in the area of East 82nd and "D" Streets filing a petition requesting stop signs at that intersection.

For referral to the Public Works Department.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 26999

Setting Tuesday, July 14, 1981 at 6:00 p.m., as the date for public hearing on amendments to the Zoning Ordinance to change the length of time to appeal the Examiner's or Land Use Administrator's decisions or reconsiderations.

Resolution No. 27000

Rescheduling the date for public hearing on the North Slope Plan to Tuesday, July 14, 1981 at 6:00 p.m.

Resolution No. 27001

Rescheduling the date for public hearing on amendments to the Official Code relative to shoreline management to Tuesday, July 21, 1981.

Resolution No. 27002

Authorizing a grant application to the Washington State Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation for additional funding for an education/instruction program for off-road vehicles..

APPEALS:

- a. Gary Earp appealing the decision of the Tax and License Department to deny his application for a Merchant Patrolman license.

Setting Thursday, June 25, 1981 at 9:00 a.m. as the date for hearing by the Hearings Examiner.

- b. Dave McHugh, representing the St. Patrick's Parish, appealing the decision of the Hearings Examiner to reclassify that portion of the North Slope Area known as Area N to an "R-4-L" District as requested by the City of Tacoma.

Setting Tuesday, July 14, 1981 at 6:00 p.m. as the date for hearing.

ASSESSMENT ROLLS:

The Directors of Public Works and Public Utilities present Assessment Rolls for the following:

L.I.D. No. 8527, for permanent paving on South 34th Street from South "K" Street to South "M" Street; South Asotin Street from South 61st Street north 510 feet; South 60th Street from cul-de-sac west on Asotin Street to a point 295 feet east of Asotin Street; and for sanitary sewers in South 60th Street from cul-de-sac southerly 160 feet, more or less.

L.I.D. No. 5605, for constructing water mains in 127th Street East from 214th Avenue East to approx. 316 feet west of 211th Avenue East, 211th Avenue East from approx. 340 feet south of 127th Street East to 330 feet north of 125th Street East and 125th Street East from 211th Avenue East to approx. 510 feet east.

Fixing Monday, July 13, 1981 at 5:00 p.m. as the date for hearing by the Hearings Examiner.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of the meeting of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, May 27, 1981.
- b. Minutes of the Natural Systems Citizens' Committee meeting, May 19, 1981.
- c. Tacoma Employees' Retirement System, report of purchases and sales of investments during April 20 through May 19, 1981.
- d. Summary of Crime Statistics for Tacoma Police Department, for January, 1981.
- e. 1980 Annual Report of the Tacoma Employees' Retirement System.

Councilwoman Bichsel moved that the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 26999, 27000, 27001 and 27002, be approved. Seconded by Councilman Sutherland. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda was declared approved.

Councilman Hyde arrived at 5:14 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. Hearings Examiner submitting a request of J.E. Meaker for variances to the Shoreline Management Substantial Development Permit sign regulations to allow the retention of one free-standing, non-illuminated sign identifying Johnny's Dock, one non-illuminated Sundgrens Marine identification sign attached to the fence near the northerly/rampway to the floats, one non-illuminated sign identifying West Wind Yachts attached to the fence near the northerly rampway to the floats, and the installation of one non-illuminated Bentley Yacht Sales identification sign attached to the fence near the southerly rampway to the floats, located at 1900 East "D" Street. (Continued from the meeting of June 2, 1981)

Councilman Kirby moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Councilman Hyde. Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows: Ayes: 5 - Bichsel, Hyde, Kirby, Strege and Deputy Mayor Nielsen. Nays: 2 - Hawkins and Sutherland. Absent: 1 - Mayor Parker. Abstaining: 1 - Rasmussen.

- b. Hearings Examiner submitting Shoreline Management Substantial Development Permit No. 141.253 of Marine Industries Northwest, Inc., to operate a floating drydock at Pier 24, Berth "A" Port Industrial Yard at 401 Alexander Avenue.

Councilman Hyde moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Councilwoman Bichsel. Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows: Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Hawkins, Hyde, Kirby, Rasmussen, Strege, Sutherland and Deputy Mayor Nielsen. Nays: 0. Absent: 1 - Mayor Parker.

- c. Hearings Examiner recommending approval of the request of Paxport Mills, Inc., to revise Shoreline Management Substantial Development Permit No. 141.205, located at 300 Middle Waterway.

Councilman Strege moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Councilman Sutherland. Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows: Ayes: 7 - Bichsel, Hawkins, Hyde, Kirby, Strege, Sutherland and Deputy Mayor Nielsen. Nays: 0. Absent: 2 - Rasmussen and Mayor Parker.

- d. Hearings Examiner recommending approval of the request of Annon W. May to remove Condition 3 (c) of the Report and Recommendations relative to reclassification of the area located at South 74th and Oakes Streets.

Councilman Kirby moved to concur in the recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Councilman Rasmussen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

- e. H. B. Bond, City Clerk, advising that the Civil Service Board has filed proposed amendments to Section 1.24.660 and 1.24.665 of the Civil Service and Personnel Rules.

Deputy Mayor Nielsen advised that this is informational only and no action is required.

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FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 21374

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to reclassify the south-east corner of South 74th and Oakes Street from an "R-2" to an "R-4-L" District. (Annon W. May)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Hawkins, Hyde, Kirby, Rasmussen, Strege Sutherland and Deputy Mayor Nielsen.

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Mayor Parker.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Mayor Parker arrived at 5:25 p.m.

Ordinance No. 22433

Authorizing execution of a grant award contract with the U.S. Department of Labor in the amount of \$775,011.00; and appropriating said sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the Comprehensive Employment Services Grant Fund to operate a Summer Youth Employment Program for economically disadvantaged youth.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Hawkins, Kirby, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Strege, Sutherland and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

Abstaining: 1 - Hyde.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 22434

Amending the Pay and Compensation Plan to make a title change, amend the rate of pay for Electrical Service Aide, establish compensation for the Field Officer Training Program and amend provisions dealing with allowances for employees residing at specified locations.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Hyde, Kirby, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Strege, Sutherland and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

Abstaining: 1 - Hawkins.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 22435

Appropriating \$15,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the General Fund to purchase and install three warning sirens and motor starters and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Hyde, Kirby, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Strege, Sutherland and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 1 - Hawkins

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 22436

Vacating a portion of McKinley Avenue from East 26th Street north 130 feet. (K-M Enterprises)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Hawkins, Hyde, Kirby, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Strege, Sutherland and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 22438

Amending Ordinance No. 22208 to extend the interim zoning classifications to July 31, 1981 for the North Slope Area.

Mayor Parker informed Council that this is the first and final reading of this ordinance.

George Hoivik, Planning Department, spoke on the ordinance.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Hyde, Kirby, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Strege, Sutherland and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 1 - Hawkins.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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PROCLAMATION:

Cheryl Adams, Coordinator for International Year of Disabled Persons, introduced Danny Deardorff, Special Ambassador for the City of Tacoma for International Year of Disabled Persons. Mr. Deardorff sang a song for the Council and Mayor Parker presented him with a proclamation naming him as the Special Ambassador for the City of Tacoma for the International Year of Disabled Persons.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 22437

Authorizing the issuance and sale of appropriate securities and warrants in the amount of \$8,645,000 to secure interim financing of improvements in the "Tacoma Dome."

Mayor Parker moved to suspend the rules to remove Resolution No. 26996 from the agenda. Seconded by Councilman Hyde. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Councilman Rasmussen moved to table Resolution No. 26996 and moved that we accept and implement the recommendations made by Ed Wundram, outlined in his June 5, 1981 memo to Erling Mork, entitled "1% for Art," with two additions in the area of the advisory panel. One, that the panel include one Councilmember and two, that members of this panel be nominated by City Staff to be confirmed by City Council. Seconded by Councilman Sutherland. Voice vote was taken and carried with respect to tabling the resolution.

Roll call vote was taken on the motion to accept recommendations made by Ed Wundram, resulting as follows: Ayes: 6 - Bichsel, Hawkins, Hyde, Rasmussen, Sutherland and Mayor Parker. Nays: 3 - Kirby, Nielsen and Strege. The motion was declared carried.

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Mayor Parker left at 5:57 p.m.

Ordinance No. 22437 was set over for final reading on June 30, 1981.

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PUBLIC HEARING (At approximately 6:00 p.m.)

This is the date set for the public hearing on the 6 Year Street Improvement Program.

Lynn Price, representing the Public Works Department, presented the 6 Year Street Improvement Program to the Council and answered questions of Councilmembers.

There being no one from the public wishing to speak, Deputy Mayor Nielsen declared the hearing closed.

Councilman Strege moved that the Public Hearing be continued to June 30, 1981 and for staff to bring in a resolution accepting the 6 Year Plan at that date. Seconded by Councilman Hyde. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Public Hearing will be continued on June 30, 1981.

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Ordinance No. 22439

Amending Section 6 of Ordinance No. 22236 to rename the street between 33rd Street NE and High Point Drive NE to Brown's Point Blvd.

Councilman Kirby moved to amend Ordinance No. 22439, beginning at Line 19 of Ordinance No. 22439:

Section 2. That Section 4 of Ordinance No. 22236 be and the same is hereby repealed.

Section 3. That Section 5 of Ordinance No. 22236 be and the same is hereby repealed.

Section 4. That Section 7 of Ordinance No. 22236 be and the same is hereby repealed.

Seconded by Councilman Strege.

Speaking in favor of the amendment were the following residents of Brown's Point:

- Robert Stevens, Vice President of Friends of Brown's Point Blvd.
- Debra Tobiasson, 1710 Brown's Point Blvd.
- Carol Schneider
- Melvin Moberly
- Ben Barbee, 2319 Brown's Point Blvd.
- Bob Tobiasson, 1710 Brown's Point Blvd.
- Arthur Allen
- Carl Vine, 1802 Brown's Point Blvd.

Harold Manning, 1714 Brown's Point Blvd.  
Le Roy Stevens, 1718 Brown's Point Blvd.  
Joan Searls, Secretary-Treasurer for the Friends of Brown's Point Blvd.  
Walt Zollars, President of the Friends of Brown's Point Blvd.

Voice vote was taken on the amendment and declared passed. The Ordinance is so amended.

Final reading of the Ordinance was set over to June 30, 1981.

Ordinance No. 22440

Appropriating \$70,500, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the Equipment Rental Capital Outlay "B" Fund to purchase equipment to be leased to the Metropolitan Park District and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Final reading of the Ordinance was set over to June 30, 1981.

Ordinance No. 22441

Vacating Adams Street south of South 42nd Street.  
(Bank of California)

Councilwoman Bichsel moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Councilman Rasmussen.

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

Ordinance No. 22442

Vacating North 26th Street between Pearl and Highland Streets.  
(Department of Public Works)

Councilman Rasmussen moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Councilman Sutherland.

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

Ordinance No. 22443

Authorizing execution of a grant award contract with Pierce County; appropriating \$1,919, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the Comprehensive Employment Services Grant Fund to provide private sector employment and training opportunities for the economically disadvantaged; and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Final reading of the Ordinance was set over to June 30, 1981.



Ordinance No. 22444

Authorizing execution of a grant award contract with the State Department of Ecology in the amount of \$3,050; appropriating said sum from the Coastal Zone Management Funds; providing a temporary non-interest bearing loan from the General Fund; not to exceed \$3,050; and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Councilman Hyde moved to consider Substitute Ordinance No. 22444. Seconded by Councilwoman Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Final reading of the Ordinance was set over to June 30, 1981.

Councilman Strege moved to suspend the rules to consider Resolution No. 27011. Seconded by Councilman Sutherland. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Resolution No. 27011

Authorizing application and contractual agreement with the State of Washington, Department of Ecology for the purposes of amending the current Coastal Zone Management Grant award for an additional \$3,050.

Councilman Hyde moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Councilman Strege. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Ordinance No. 22445

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to reclassify the area generally bounded by SR #16 on the north, Lawrence Street on the east, South 40th Street on the south and Tyler Street on the west from an "R-3" and "R-4-L" to an "R-2-SRD" and "R-2" District. (City of Tacoma)

Councilman Sutherland moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Councilwoman Bichsel. Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows: Ayes: 7 - Bichsel, Hyde, Kirby, Rasmussen, Strege, Sutherland and Deputy Mayor Nielsen. Nays: 1 - Hawkins. Absent: 1 - Mayor Parker.

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

Deputy Mayor Nielsen moved to suspend the rules to consider Ordinance No. 22446. Seconded by Councilman Sutherland. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Ordinance No. 22446

Appropriating \$37,704.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the General Fund to pay the cost of operating the Department of Emergency Services from July 1 through December 31, 1981, and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Final reading of the Ordinance was set over to June 30, 1981.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 26991 (Continued from the meeting of June 2, 1981)

Approving the sale of surplus vehicles and miscellaneous office equipment at public auction.

Councilwoman Bichsel moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Councilman Rasmussen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 26996 (Continued from the meeting of June 2, 1981)

Waiving the requirement for dedicating one percent of the construction costs to the arts with reference to construction of the Sports and Convention Center.

This Resolution was considered earlier in the meeting.

Purchase Resolution No. 27003

Awarding contracts to:

1. Lincoln Construction Co. on its bid of \$149,710.00 for YWCA Addition and Renovation-Spec. No. G-54-81;
2. Prime Computer Corp. on its bid for a Traffic Mini-Computer System;
3. Hooker Chemical Co. on its bid of \$4,066.73 for Sodium Chloride; and
4. Northwest Auctions & Sales on its bid of \$3,525.00 for 1981 City-Wide Auction.

Councilman Sutherland moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Councilman Hyde.

Councilwoman Bichsel excused herself from voting on this Resolution due to a possible conflict of interest.

F. R. Lacy, Alpha Computer Systems, spoke with respect to Item 2.

Councilman Hyde asked that Legal take a look at the information submitted by Alpha Computer Systems.

Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted as submitted.

Resolution No. 27004

Approving the final plat for INDIAN RIDGE located in the vicinity of Browns Point Blvd. and 58th Street NE. (Brimco Development Corporation)

Councilman Hawkins moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Councilman Sutherland. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 27005

Approving the preliminary plat for SILVERLEAF ADDITION located at Cushman Avenue and South 81st Street. (Berger-Young Construction, Inc.)

Councilman Sutherland moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Councilwoman Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 27006

Approving the preliminary plat of J.F.K. located at East 88th Street between East "A" and East "B" Streets. (John Kenny)

Councilwoman Bichsel moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Councilman Sutherland. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 27007

Directing the City Manager to study the feasibility of reorganizing and consolidating similar functions, responsibilities and operations of the Departments of Human Development, Human Relations, Community Development and Planning and authorizing retaining qualified consulting services for said study.

Councilwoman Bichsel moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Councilman Hawkins.

Councilman Hawkins moved to waive the regular selection process for the consultant and for staff to report back to the Council indicating its selection. Seconded by Councilwoman Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Speaking on the Resolution was Thomas Dixon, President of Tacoma Urban League.

Roll call vote was taken the the Resolution, as amended, resulting as follows: Ayes: 6 - Bichsel, Hawkins, Hyde, Rasmussen, Sutherland and Deputy Mayor Nielsen. Nays: 2 - Kirby and Strege. Absent: 1 - Mayor Parker. The Resolution, as amended, was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 27008

Authorizing continuance of the Joint Municipal Committee Task Force on Substance Abuse.

Councilwoman Bichsel moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Councilman Rasmussen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 27009

Stating the Council's position on certain provisions on proposed health and human services block grant programs.

Councilwoman Bichsel moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Councilman Rasmussen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 27010

Authorizing execution of a contract with the Fourth of July Extravaganza and Military Pageant Commission to perform certain services relative to the Fourth of July celebration.

Councilman Hyde moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Councilwoman Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Councilman Hyde moved to suspend the rules to consider Resolution No. 27012. Seconded by Councilman Rasmussen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Resolution No. 27012

Authorizing execution of an agreement between the City and Tacoma Public School District #10 in the amount of \$7,081 to provide career development work experience classes for eligible City youths participating in Summer Youth Employment Program.

Councilman Rasmussen moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Councilwoman Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried with Councilman Hyde abstaining. The Resolution was declared adopted.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Councilwoman Bichsel moved that the City Council strongly urge the Utility Board, the City's representative to the WPPSS Executive Committee, and Participants' Committee to support the moratorium on construction on projects #4 and #5 as recommended by the Executive Director of WPPSS, Robert Ferguson. Seconded by Councilman Hyde. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was adopted.

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REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER:

City Manager, Erling Mork, advised the Council that they can cancel the Council meetings of August 4 and 11, 1981. After discussion by the Council it was unanimously agreed upon to cancel the meetings for those two nights.

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COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Councilman Hyde asked to be excused from the Council meeting of June 30, 1981. Voice vote was taken and carried. Councilman Hyde is excused from the Council meeting of June 30, 1981.

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Deputy Mayor Nielsen moved to recess into Executive Session to discuss matters relating to litigation. Seconded by Councilman Sutherland. Voice vote was taken and carried. Council recessed at 8:30 p.m. and reconvened at 8:40 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Nielsen moved that the City Attorney be given the authority to settle the claims involving Carlson and Deerback as explained to the Council at Executive Session. Seconded by Councilman Rasmussen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

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On proper motion, the meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

  
HAROLD E. NIELSEN - DEPUTY MAYOR

Attest:

  
H. B. BOND - CITY CLERK