

City Council Minutes

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

April 20, 2004

The meeting was called to order at 5:09 p.m.

Council Members Present: 8 – Anderson, Evans, Ladenburg, Lonergan, Manthou, Phelps, Stenger, and Talbert.

Council Members Absent: 1 – Mayor Baarsma.

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member Talbert.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- a. Amended minutes of the Charter Review Committee, March 25, 2004.
- b. Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, March 23, 2004.
- c. Minutes of the Joint Municipal Action Committee, March 19, 2004.
- d. Minutes of the Tacoma Arts Commission, February 9, and March 8, 2004.
- e. Minutes of the Tacoma-Pierce County Board of Health, March 3, 2004.
- f. Amended minutes of the Tacoma Planning Commission, March 17, 2004.
- g. Disclosure of Remote Interest pursuant to Tacoma Municipal Code Section 1.46.030.B, C, and F as follows:

NameAffiliationBill EvansPuget Sound Center for Urban Bay Research

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting, March 30, 2004; and Committee of the Whole, April 6, 2004.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 27224

Vacating portions of Alexander Avenue between State Route 509 (North Frontage Road) and the Northeast Substation (Tacoma Power) just north of previously vacated Marshall Avenue together with remaining portions of Blue Road, Smith Road, and Meeker Road located within the unrecorded plat of "Brookville Tracts" for the "Pierce County Terminal Expansion Project."

(Port of Tacoma; File No. 124.1206)

Ordinance No. 27225

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Municipal Code to reclassify the property bounded by East Portland Avenue on the west, Swan Creek on the east, 52nd Street on the south, and East 38th Street on the north from an "R-3" Two-Family Dwelling District and "C-1" General Neighborhood Commercial District to an "R-4PRD" Multiple-Family Dwelling Planned Residential District for the development of a mix of residential dwelling types; and further reclassifying the existing "R-3" Two-Family Dwelling District to a "C-1" General Neighborhood Commercial District for the development of a neighborhood center for the proposed Salishan project. (Tacoma Housing Authority/Salishan HOPE VI Redevelopment; File No. 40000022615)

Ordinance No. 27226

Amending various sections of the Municipal Code and authorizing the execution of an addendum to the Housing Cooperation Law Development Agreement to modify development regulations, including, but not limited to yard setbacks, lot sizes, off-street parking, residential street sections, landscaping, usable open space, building design, wetland/stream buffers, and dispersion requirements for emergency and transitional housing with respect to the Salishan Hope VI Redevelopment Project, which is bounded by East Portland Avenue on the west, Swan Creek Park on the east, East 52nd Street on the south, and East 38th Street on the north. (Tacoma Housing Authority/Salishan HOPE VI Redevelopment; File Nos. 40000022615, 40000022616, 40000022618, and 40000022619.)

Council Member Phelps moved that the Consent Agenda, including Ordinance Nos. 27224 through 27226, be approved. Seconded by Council Member Ladenburg.

Council Member Phelps moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner for Ordinance Nos. 27224 through 27226. Seconded by Council Member Ladenburg. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda, including Ordinance Nos. 27224 through 27226, was declared approved.

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Baarsma proclaimed April 21, 2004, to be "Architecture Appreciation Day" and presented the proclamation to Mr. Ron Thomas, Tom Stanford, and Mr. Gene Gruley.

Mayor Baarsma proclaimed April 24, 2004, to be "Parks Appreciation Day" and presented the proclamation to Mr. Ross Hjelseth.

PUBLIC COMMENT

This is the time set aside for public comment on items on the agenda. Speakers are asked to identify the specific agenda items they wish to address and comments will be limited to up to five minutes per person.

Public Comment began at 5:21 p.m.

Speaking before Council:

Name	Address/Affiliation	Subject
Peter Ansara	Tacoma Housing Authority,	Ordinance Nos. 27225
	Executive Director	and 27226
Chris Karnes	616 North I Street	Resolution No. 36150
Charles Creso	5501 Broadview Avenue NE	Ordinance No. 27223
Allen Douglass	2012 – 70 th Avenue West,	Ordinance No. 27223
	Apt. A-4, University Place	
Dr. William James	Community Counseling Institute, Executive Director	Public Hearing Item

Public Comment closed at 5:44 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, AND APPOINTMENTS

Resolution No. 36150

Re-appointing Mayor Bill Baarsma to the Pierce Transit Board of Commissioners for a term to expire May 1, 2007.

Council Member Phelps moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Talbert. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 27222

Amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation negotiated with International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Custodial and Building Maintenance Unit, which covers approximately 30 employees; and changes in classifications to reflect the organizational structure, creating a new classification entitled "Latent Fingerprint Examiner"; and declaring the effective dates thereof.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Anderson, Evans, Ladenburg, Lonergan, Manthou, Phelps, Stenger, and Talbert

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Mayor Baarsma

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 27223

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Washington State Department of Transportation; accepting and depositing \$1,386,333 into the Arterial Street Fund; and appropriating \$600,000 from said fund for Downtown Redevelopment Streetscape Improvements and \$786,333 for LINK Light Rail Pedestrian Improvements in downtown Tacoma.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Anderson, Evans, Ladenburg, Lonergan, Manthou, Phelps, Stenger, and Talbert

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Mayor Baarsma

The Ordinance was declared passed.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 27227

Amending Chapter 12.06 of the Municipal Code, relating to Electric Energy -Regulations and Rates, by repealing Section 12.06.318 removing the Safety Net Cost Recovery Adjustment Clause rate surcharge; and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 27228

Authorizing the execution of an interest-bearing Public Works Trust Fund Construction Loan from the Washington State Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development in the amount of \$10,000,000; depositing in and appropriating said sum from the Arterial Street Fund for infrastructure rehabilitation and new construction projects, including work on bridges, street improvements, sidewalks, street lighting, traffic signals, bicycle lanes, and landscaping.

Council Member Phelps moved to consider Substitute Ordinance No. 27228. Seconded by Council Member Talbert. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

The Substitute Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 36151

Authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Cherry Orchard, L.L.C., to construct eight units of market-rate apartments located at 4046 and 4050 South Puget Sound Avenue.

Council Member Phelps moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Talbert. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 36152

Authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Pioneer Cay Developing, L.L.C., to develop a mixed-use project located at 326 East D Street, including 70 condominiums, 30,000 square feet of office space, and 30,000 square feet of garage parking.

Council Member Phelps moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Talbert. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted. Page No.

Resolution No. 36153

Authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Charles R. Johnson II, for the conversion of a vacant 21-unit apartment building into eight new units of condominium housing located at 612 Tacoma Avenue South.

Council Member Phelps moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Talbert. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 36154

Expressing appreciation for the culture, customs, heritage, and traditions of the Tacoma Vietnamese-American community; and further acknowledging the right and desire of the Tacoma Vietnamese-American community to display the yellow flag with three red stripes as its heritage flag.

Roll call vote was requested and taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 6 – Anderson, Lonergan, Manthou, Phelps, Stenger, and Talbert.

Nays: 2 Evans, and Ladenburg

Absent: 1 Mayor Baarsma

The Resolution was declared adopted.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

This is the date set for a public hearing by the City Council regarding the City's Consolidated Plan, 2004-2005 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development.

The Public Hearing began at 5:44 p.m.

Speaking before Council:

Name	Address/Affiliation
Michael Cofchin	Vice Chair, Urban Policy Committee
Edward DuPree	2550 Yakima Avenue
Lua Pritchard	Korean Women's Association
Mary Plant	Director, New Connections
Markita Marks and Tammy Won	Case workers, Self Sufficiency Program
Stephanie Sacks	Sexual Assault Center of Pierce County
Anita Kent	Good Samaritan Community Services
Sharon Manier	1022 North 11 th Street, New Directions Program
Joan Lorenz	New Options
Jeannie Darneille	Executive Director, Pierce County Aids Foundation



Name	Address/Affiliation
Janne Hutchins	Lakewood Area Shelter
Latonia Jennings	Executive Director, Phoebe House
Dr. Charles Horne	Tacoma Urban League
Allen Douglass	University Place resident
Becky Fontaine	Executive Director, First Place for Children

The Public Hearing ended at 5:42 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER

None

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL

Council Member Phelps moved to excuse Mayor Baarsma from tonight's meeting. Seconded by Council Member Talbert. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Council Member Lonergan commended City Manager James Walton for his outstanding speech at the Christian Brotherhood Academy. He mentioned the upcoming dedication/open house and ceremony of the Greater Christ Temple, Oasis of Hope program.

Council Member Anderson noted there is generally no response from Council during or after the public hearing. She stated there is more Council interaction and comments when legislation comes before the body for consideration. She announced her and Council Member Lonergan's recent attendance at the Annual Commanding Officers Briefing. She gave an overview of new housing construction for military personnel.

Council Member Talbert mentioned the current TV Tacoma program "Your Piece of the Pie," which includes information regarding where tax dollars are spent. He thanked Police Chief Ramsdell for creating a Citizens Police Academy for the Latino community.

Council Member Phelps also mentioned the "Your Piece of the Pie" program.

Deputy Mayor Evans reported he attended the National Press Club meeting where honoring Tacoma one of the most livable communities in the nation. He also mentioned the Police Headquarters ground breaking ceremony, the winning Tacoma Rainers' opening game, and the cleanup efforts by many volunteers at the Chinese Reconciliation Park.

Council Member Phelps moved to authorize the City's full and final settlement of all claims against the City in the case of <u>Elcon v. City of Tacoma, et al.</u>, <u>Pierce County</u> <u>Superior Court Cause No. 99-2-04622-1</u>, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$650,000. Seconded by Council Member Talbert. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

WILLIAM H. BAARSMA, MAYOR

ATTEST: Don DORIS SORUM, CITY CLERK