

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
October 25, 1977

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 P.M.

Present on roll call: 7 - Bichsel, Nelson, Nielsen, Schroeder, Sonntag, Strege and Deputy Mayor Warnick. Absent: 2 - Hudson and Mayor Johnston. Mr. Hudson arrived at 5:20 P.M.

Flag Salute was led by Mr. Nielsen.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of minutes of the public hearing on General Revenue Sharing Funds and regular meeting of October 18, 1977.

PETITIONS:

28 merchants requesting enforcement of the posted one-hour parking limitation in the area of South 38th and Yakima Avenue.

For referral to Public Works Dept.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 24681

Setting Tuesday, November 15, 1977 at 9:00 A.M. as the date for hearing by the Hearings Examiner the request for vacation of the South 20 feet of South 40th from Bell Street west to alley. (Emma Ehly/Pacific National Auto Parts)

Resolution No. 24682

Setting Tuesday, November 15, 1977 at 10:30 A.M. as the date for hearing by the Hearings Examiner the request for vacation of a portion of East 11th Street near St. Paul Avenue. (St. Regis Paper Co.)

Resolution No. 24683

Setting Monday, November 14, 1977 at 4:00 P.M. as the date for hearing L.I.D. 3794 for sanitary sewers in South 17th Street from a point 270 feet west of Titlow Road, west 450 feet, more or less.

APPEALS:

Glenis Dobson appealing the denial of application for Taxicab Driver's License.

Suggested date for hearing is Wednesday, November 9, 1977.

ASSESSMENT ROLLS:

The Director of Public Works presents the assessment roll for the following:

L.I.D. 3773 - sanitary sewers in South Ferdinand from South 62nd to 150 feet north of South 64th; alley between South Windom and South Puget Sound from South 30th to South 31st Street; alley between South Cedar and South Junett from South 43rd to South 45th Street.

Fixing Monday, November 28, 1977 at 4:00 P.M. as the date for hearing.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of Board of Park Commissioners meeting of October 10, 1977.
- b. Minutes of Landmarks Preservation Commission meeting of September 28, 1977.
- c. Minutes of Board of Administration of the Tacoma Employees' Retirement System meeting of September 29, 1977.
- d. Monthly Statistical Report for September, 1977, Municipal Court.
- e. Monthly Report, September, 1977, Tacoma/Pierce County Humane Society & S.P.C.A.
- f. Monthly Report, August, 1977, Police Department.
- g. Monthly Financial Report, August, 1977, Light Division, Water Division, Belt Line Division and Data Processing Division.
- h. 1978 Annual Preliminary Budget.
- i. City Manager's State of the City Message.

Mr. Strege moved to amend the City Council Minutes on Page 8 to remove the comments of Chuck Cereghina, Weyerhaeuser Timber Company and Bud McIvor, President of the Downtown Tacoma Association from Resolution No. 24678 and insert those comments under Resolution No. 24677. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mrs. Bichsel moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended including Resolutions 24681, 24682 and 24683. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The items were declared approved.

R E G U L A R A G E N D A

COMMUNICATIONS:

Hearings Examiner recommending denial of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis O'Donnell's request for reclassification from an "R-2" to an "R-3" District to allow a home which has been converted to operate as duplex at 4108 So. 11th St.

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Mr. Sonntag moved to concur in the recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 21187 (Continued from the meeting of October 18th)

Authorizing the transfer of the sum of \$6,550.00 from the Contingency Fund to the General Fund and appropriating said sum from the General Fund for the purpose of paying costs of Neighborhood Art projects and programs and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 6 - Bichsel, Nielsen, Schroeder, Sonntag, Strege and Deputy Mayor Warnick.

Nays: 1 - Nelson

Absent: 2 - Hudson and Mayor Johnston.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21088

Vacating a portion of Madison Street lying between approximately 48th and 50th Streets. (Anderson Enterprises, Inc.)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Bichsel, Nelson, Nielsen, Schroeder, Sonntag, Strege and Deputy Mayor Warnick.

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 - Hudson and Mayor Johnston.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21135

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to reclassify the southwest corner of South 47th and Junett Streets from and "R-3" to an "R-3-T" District. (Lloyd Sass)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Bichsel, Nelson, Nielsen, Schroeder, Sonntag, Strege and Deputy Mayor Warnick.

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 - Hudson and Mayor Johnston

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21185

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to reclassify the east side of Pacific Avenue between South 88th and 90th Streets extended (8849 Pacific Avenue) from an "R-2" to a "C-1" District. (Hemmen, Cohoe, Klavano & Bottiger)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Bichsel, Nelson, Nielsen, Schroeder, Sonntag, Strege and Deputy Mayor Warnick.

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 - Hudson and Mayor Johnston

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21190

Amending Chapter 6.52 of the Official Code relating to For-Hire Vehicles.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Bichsel, Nelson, Nielsen, Schroeder, Sonntag, Strege and Deputy Mayor Warnick.

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 - Hudson and Mayor Johnston.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Mr. Hudson arrived at 5:20 P.M.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 21191

Amending Chapter 6.89 of the Official Code to provide for a tax on "Fund Raising Events."

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 21192

Amending Section 6.02.040 of the Official Code to provide for standard general license billing dates.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

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Ordinance No. 21193

Appropriating the sum of \$35,000.00 from the Contingency Fund to the General Fund for the purpose of paying court judgments and legal expenses in connection with litigation against the City relative to flooding of Flett Creek and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 21194

Amending Section 11.06.010 of the Official Code relative to reporting of accidents.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 24684

Appointing Larry E. Levy and Faye LaPointe as member of the Human Relations Commission for three-year terms expiring September 30, 1980.

Mr. Sonntag moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 24685

Awarding contract to Boone's Welding and Steel, Inc. on its bid of \$3,783.60 for Fabricate 21 Display Cases.

Mr. Sonntag moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 24686

Authorizing extension of contract for consulting services in connection with the development of the Pierce County Multi-Airport Master Plan.

Mrs. Bichsel moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

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Resolution No. 24687

Authorizing execution of agreement with the Tacoma Urban League to provide for a secretarial/accounting improvement program for unemployed, under-employed or economically disadvantaged Tacoma residents.

Mr. Nielsen moved that corrected Resolution No. 24687 be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Strege. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 24688

Authorizing execution of an agreement with the Tacoma Urban League to continue operation of the Tacoma Vegetable Gardens Project through October 31, 1978.

Mr. Sonntag moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 24689

Authorizing execution of a contract with the Southwest Chapter of the American Institute of Architects for the Regional/Urban Design Assistance Team Downtown Study and waiving the bidding requirements.

John Kinkella, President of the Southwest Chapter of American Institute of Architects answered questions of Council.

Mr. Sonntag moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Michael. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 24690

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to acquire certain real property from Hillhaven, Inc. with Community Development Block Grant funds.

Mr. Sonntag moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

HEARINGS AND APPEALS:

This is the date set for hearing Ken W. Johnson's appeal on the Hearings Examiner's recommendation to deny his request for re-classification of the southwest corner of South 47th and Alaska Streets from an "R-2" to an "R-4-L" District.

Bob Backstein, Hearings Examiner, reviewed the request, hearing he held, and reasons for denying an "R-4-L" classification.

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Steve Causseaux, Attorney, representing Mr. Johnson, reviewed the request for rezone, and answered questions of Council members.

Speaking against the rezone were: Sidney Dukes, 1716 So. 47th Street, Sandi Anderson, 4620 So. Asotin and Guy Bowen, 1666 So. 47th Street.

Speaking in answer to questions of Council members was Ken W. Johnson.

After completion of testimony, Mr. Hudson moved to concur in the recommendation of the Hearings Examiner and overrule the appeal. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote was taken and carried.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Mr. Hudson reported that this day he was in Seattle attending a meeting on Energy.

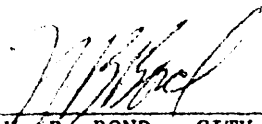
Mr. Sonntag referred to a newspaper article which stated the Department of Public Utilities proposed 1978 budget is based on a rate increase in 1978. He asked for a memo from the City Attorney as to whether this Council can legally obligate next year's Council members to a budget which includes funds to be derived from rate increases not yet incurred.

Mr. Strege asked that the City Manager explore the feasibility of employing senior citizens in the private sector. He also asked for an update on the planning study of the parking situation at the Old City Hall.

On proper motion the meeting adjourned at 7:17 P.M.


JACK WARNICK - DEPUTY MAYOR

ATTEST:


H. B. BOND - CITY CLERK