

# City Council Minutes

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

April 7, 1998

The meeting was called to order at 5:17 p.m.

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

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member De Forrest.

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## CONSENT AGENDA

### RESOLUTIONS

#### **Resolution No. 34017**

Setting Monday, April 27, 1998, at 5:00 p.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on LID No. 8607 for the placement of permanent pavement with facilities for storm drainage on Mason Avenue from South 12th to South 14th Streets.

#### **Resolution No. 34018**

Setting Monday, April 27, 1998, at 5:00 p.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on LID No. 8614 for the placement of permanent pavement on the alley between North 8th and North 9th Streets from Proctor Street west 200 feet to the dead end.

#### **Resolution No. 34019**

Setting Monday, April 27, 1998, at 5:00 p.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on LID No. 8616 for the placement of permanent pavement on the alley between North 13th and North 14th Streets from Junett to Cedar Streets.

#### **Resolution No. 34020**

Setting Monday, April 27, 1998, at 5:00 p.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on LID No. 8618 for the placement of permanent pavement on the alley between L and M Streets from North 9th to North 10th Streets.

**ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK**

- a. Minutes of the Human Rights Commission, February 19, 1998.
- b. Minutes of the Planning Commission, March 18, 1998.
- c. Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session and meeting, March 11, 1998.
- d. Monthly Financial Reports for Belt Line Division, Conservation Project Fund, Data Processing Fund, Fleet Services Fund, Geographic Information System Fund, Light Division, Self-Insurance Claim Fund, and Water Division, January 1998.
- e. Report of the Finance Director, December 1997.

Council Member Miller moved that the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 34017 through 34020, be approved. Seconded by Council Member Silas. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 34017 through 34020, was declared approved.

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**REGULAR AGENDA**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**

**Resolution No. 34021**

Appointing individuals to the Human Rights Commission and the Tacoma Arts Commission.

Council Member Miller moved to suspend the rules to consider Substitute Resolution No. 34021. Seconded by Council Member Baarsma. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Council Member Miller moved that the Substitute Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Substitute Resolution was declared adopted.

**FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES**

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Council Member De Forrest moved to suspend the rules to consider Ordinance No. 26209 under First Reading of Ordinances. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

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**Ordinance No. 26209** (Continued from the meeting of March 17, 1998.)

Amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code relating to the Compensation Plan to implement employee benefits negotiated with the Joint Labor Committee.

Ordinance No. 26209 was considered under First Reading of Ordinances.

**Ordinance No. 26214**

Amending Ordinance No. 25838, which vacated a portion of the alley between East 34th and East 35th Streets west of Portland Avenue, to correct the legal description.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Mayor Ebersole

The Ordinance was declared passed.

**Ordinance No. 26215**

Amending Chapter 13.15 of the Municipal Code relative to the Commute Trip Reduction Plan to implement the requirements of Washington State's Commute Trip Reduction legislation, as amended in July 1997.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Mayor Ebersole

The Ordinance was declared passed.

**FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

**Ordinance No. 26209** (Continued from the meeting of March 17, 1998.)

Amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code relating to the Compensation Plan to implement employee benefits negotiated with the Joint Labor Committee.

Council Member Miller moved to suspend the rules to consider Substitute Ordinance No. 26209. Seconded by Council Member Silas. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

The Substitute Ordinance was set over for final reading. Deputy Mayor Crowley stated that citizen comments will also be taken at that time.

**Ordinance No. 26216**

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

Speaking before the Council was:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Address/Affiliation</b>
Allen Shapiro	Resident

The Ordinance was set over for final reading on April 28, 1998.

**Ordinance No. 26217**

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

The Ordinance was set over for final reading on April 28, 1998.

**RESOLUTIONS**

**Resolution No. 33994** (Continued from the meeting of March 17, 1998.)

Authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Joint Labor Committee, effective January 1, 1998 through December 31, 2000.

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

**Purchase Resolution No. 34022**

Awarding contracts to:

1. Graybar Electric Co., on its bid of \$63,294.98, for ornamental streetlight standards with ballast and globe - Specification No. G-055-97;
2. North Coast Electric, on its bid of \$34,324.86, for wire and cable for traffic signals and streetlighting - Specification No. G-002-98;
3. Hyster Sales Company, in the amount of \$68,255.36, to renew their contract for tires and wheels for front loader trucks with adapters - Specification No. G-017-96; and
4. Cummins Northwest, Inc., in the amount of \$30,000, to renew their contract for automotive filters - Specification No. G-011-96.

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

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**Resolution No. 34023**

Authorizing the exchange of property located at the northeast and southeast corners of East Wright Street and Portland Avenue for the property located at the southeast corner of Portland Avenue and East 30th Street; amending the 1997-1998 Annual Action Plan of the Consolidated Plan; designating \$30,000 of the McKinley Park Improvement Project as a Community Development Block Grant project; authorizing the execution of an option agreement for the sale of the property located at Portland Avenue between East 30th and 31st Streets; allocating the proceeds for the new site for the Small Business Incubator; and authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Small Business Incubator, in the amount of \$30,000, for commercial development of the Portland Avenue corridor.

Council Member Miller moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member McGavick.

Speaking before the Council was:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Tim Strege	Director, William Factory Small Business Incubator

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

**Resolution No. 34024**

Authorizing the execution of a contract for Loan Guarantee Assistance, a Fiscal Agency Agreement, and other necessary documents as may be required by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, in the amount of \$7,975,000, for the implementation of a Section 108 loan fund.

Council Member Baarsma moved to suspend the rules to consider Substitute Resolution No. 34024. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Council Member Miller moved that the Substitute Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Silas.

Speaking before the Council were:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Phyllis Barrett	912 South Cushman
Mike Bartlett	President, Horizon Partners

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

Ayes: 7 – Baarsma, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Phelps, Silas, and Deputy Mayor Crowley

Nays: 1 – De Forrest

Absent: 1 – Mayor Ebersole

The Substitute Resolution was declared adopted.

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**Resolution No. 34025**

Expressing the intent to enter into a lease agreement with Horizon Partners for up to 200 parking spaces located at the I-705 parking facility.

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

**CITIZENS' FORUM** (BEGAN AT 6:40 P.M.)

Speaking before the Council were:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Phyllis Barrett	912 South Cushman	Finance Director's Report
Will Baker	809 South I Street	Arrests

Citizens' Forum was declared closed at 6:52 p.m.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

**REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Ray E. Corpuz Jr. introduced Carol Bellinger, General Services Department, Asset Management Division, as the next Special Assistant in the City Manager's Office until June 1998.

**COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL**

Council Member Miller reported that he and Council Member Baarsma had attended the launching of a boat, which was a product of the Sea Scout Explorer program. He stated the Sea Scout Explorer program, under the Pacific Peaks Council, is one of the largest programs in the nation and one of the most successful. Council Member Miller requested a study session to tour the Sea Scout Explorer base on the Foss Waterway. He stated that it is important for the Council to get a sense of what they are supporting and the benefits for the youth in the program.

Council Member Baarsma commented on some of the events he attended over the past weekend. He stated that he enjoyed watching the launch of the boat, the planting of the tree at Arbor Day, and the Junior Daffodil Parade. Council Member Baarsma then stated he watched a Sunday morning CBS news program which focuses on positive things relating to the arts, music, and authors. He stated that the glass program at Jason Lee Middle School was featured on the program. He then requested the City Manager get a copy of the program to be broadcast on Tacoma TV 12.

Council Member Silas commented on the positive effects of the Arbor Day Celebration on 8th and I Streets. She stated she had also watched the Sunday morning program and had great pride in our youth at Jason Lee Middle School in the glass blowing class. She also mentioned that the City of Tacoma should also be given credit for funding the program.

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Council Member Phelps stated that he had gone to Olympia with Mayor Ebersole, Deputy City Manager Walton, and others from the community to sign our International Service Development Zone Bill. He stated that it was an initiative that many people had been working on for almost three years. He stated that the bill is the first leg of a major initiative for job creation in Tacoma. Council Member Phelps thanked Randy Lewis who headed up the initiative and worked extremely hard on it. He stated that today they had a meeting with United States Congressman Norm Dicks to discuss the next phase for the implementation of the initiative. He stated that Congressman Dicks was extremely complimentary of our efforts.

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

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Deputy Mayor Crowley stated that he had attended the Miss Wheelchair Washington Pageant, which was attended by at least 150 people at the LaQuinta Inn. He stated that this year's winner was Lisa Doolittle, who is from our area. He congratulated all of the contestants in the pageant. He stated that Elaine Stefanowicz is the reigning Miss Wheelchair America Queen. Deputy Mayor Crowley said that today he went to the opening of the Point Defiance Senior Center, which is now being run by the Franke Toby Jones Home. Deputy Mayor Crowley reminded everyone that the opening game of the Tacoma Rainiers will be held at Cheney Stadium this Saturday night. He also stated that he would be the keynote speaker for the American Public Works Association this year.

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On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

  
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MIKE CROWLEY, DEPUTY MAYOR

ATTEST:   
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RICK ROSENBLADT, CITY CLERK