



City Council Minutes

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

June 15, 1999

The meeting was called to order at 5:08 p.m.

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

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member Miller.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of April 13, 1999.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 34424

Setting Tuesday, July 27, 1999, at 9:00 a.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on the request to vacate the west 220 feet of South 18th Street between Dock Street and the Thea Foss Waterway. (Public Works Department; File No. 124.1099)

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- a. Hearing Examiner's Agenda, June 22, 1999.
- b. Minutes of the Arts Commission, May 10, 1999.
- c. Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, May 26, 1999.
- d. Minutes of the LESA Executive Board, February 17, 1999.
- e. Minutes of the Tacoma-Pierce County Board of Health, May 5, 1999.
- f. Minutes of the Transportation Committee, May 13, 1999.
- g. Citizens' petitions protesting the building permit issued to Advance Till Payday located at 2515 Sixth Avenue.
- h. Report of the Finance Director, April 1999.

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- i. Final 1999 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development.

Council Member Miller moved that the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 34424, be approved. Seconded by Council Member Crowley. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 34424, was declared approved.

REGULAR AGENDA

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 26443

Approving the production of the Video Voters' Pamphlet; and adopting the Video Voters' Pamphlet Administration Rules & Regulations for the 1999 primary and general elections.

Council Member De Forrest moved to amend Exhibit A of Ordinance No. 26443, the Video Voters' Pamphlet Administration Rules & Regulations, page 3, to add a new Section 7.0, "PRODUCTION FEES," to read as follows:

7.0 PRODUCTION FEES:

- 7.1 A \$100.00 production fee will be assessed to each participating candidate to cover studio and editing time. Candidates who will appear on a General Election Ballot may choose to replay statements recorded for a Primary Election by paying a \$50.00 inclusion fee or may record a new statement in the TV Tacoma Studio for the full production fee of \$100.00.

Seconded by Council Member Baarsma. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Council Member De Forrest moved to amend Exhibit A to Ordinance No. 26443, the Video Voters Pamphlet Administration Rules & Regulations, page 3, to add a new Subsection 7.2 to Section 7.0, "PRODUCTION FEES," to read as follows:

7.0 PRODUCTION FEES:

- 7.2 A candidate lacking sufficient assets or income, and who has filed for office without paying a filing fee under RCW 29.15.050, shall not be required to pay a production fee.

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Seconded by Council Member Baarsma. Voice vote was taken and carried with Council Member Phelps voting in opposition. The motion was declared adopted.

Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 26443, including Exhibit A as amended, resulting as follows:

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Silas

The Ordinance, including Exhibit A as amended, was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26444

Directing the City Clerk to participate in the Voters' Pamphlet produced by Pierce County for the primary election on Tuesday, September 14, 1999, and the general election on Tuesday, November 2, 1999.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Silas

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26445

Accepting \$5,400 from the Washington State Child Care Resource and Referral Network; depositing in and appropriating said sum from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund to provide training to child care providers.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Silas

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The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26446

Authorizing the execution of a lease agreement with an option to purchase agreement with Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association, in the amount of \$350,000, for fire equipment; and approving the form and execution of an escrow agreement.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Silas

The Ordinance was declared passed.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 26447 (Continued from the meeting of June 8, 1999)

Amending Chapter 6.68 of the Municipal Code to allow a deduction for trauma-related patient care performed during initial acute hospitalization at a state-designated trauma facility in Tacoma.

Council Member Phelps moved to amend Ordinance No. 26447 to add a new section, reading as follows:

Section 3. The deduction added by this ordinance as Section 6.68.280(0) of the Tacoma Municipal Code shall expire on December 31, 2001, unless prior to that date, the City Council , by ordinance, extends the effective date to a date certain.

Seconded by Council Member Crowley. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

The Ordinance, as amended, was set over for final reading next week.

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Ordinance No. 26448

Designating the "Tax and License Information System" (TALIS) as an official project of the City; authorizing the execution of an agreement with Rocky Bay Consulting, in the amount of \$273,000, for application design and programming services to implement TALIS; and appropriating \$987,000 from the Central Services Summary Fund for implementation of said project; and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this Ordinance.

Speaking before the Council was:

Name	Affiliation/Address
Phyllis Barrett	912 South Cushman

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 26449

Amending Chapter 1.06 of the Municipal Code to revise the duties and responsibilities of the General Services Department relative to the Institutional Network; Education and Government Access Channels; Master Control Site(s); and Franchise Administration.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 26450

Amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code to implement rates of pay and compensation for represented and nonrepresented Police Department employees; making changes in classifications to reflect the organizational structure; and authorizing the execution of a collective bargaining agreement with the Tacoma Police Union, Local 6, IUPA, effective January 1, 1999 through December 31, 2000.

Speaking before the Council was:

Name	Affiliation/Address
Phyllis Barrett	912 South Cushman

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

RESOLUTIONS

Purchase Resolution No. 34425

Awarding contracts to:

1. Spartan Motors, Inc., in the amount of \$129,805, for one HazMat apparatus chassis for the Fire Department;
2. Sparling, on its bid of \$42,996, for a Telecommunications Distribution System – Specification No. G-018-99;
3. Audio Video Systems, on its bid of \$49,768.12, for a non-linear video editing system for TV Tacoma – Specification No. G-027-99; and

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4. Fox Island Const. Inc., on its bid of \$71,916, for citywide hazardous sidewalk replacement and curb ramp installation – Specification No. G-215-99.

Council Member Crowley moved that the Purchase Resolution, including waiving formal bidding procedures on Item No. 1, be adopted. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried on the Purchase Resolution. The Purchase Resolution, including waiving formal bidding procedures on Item No. 1, was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 34426

Authorizing the execution of a contract with Allsup, Inc. to identify and recover payments from Medicare for health insurance benefits paid by the City.

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.

Resolution No. 34427

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with MultiCare Health Works, in the amount of \$200,000, for medical services from January 1, 1999 through December 31, 2001.

Council Member Crowley moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried, with Council Member De Forrest voting in opposition. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 34428

Authorizing the execution of a Pierce County Enhanced 9-1-1 Telephone System Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Participation Agreement, in the amount of \$148,891.20, for maintenance and support of the Fire Department's emergency communications system for 1999.

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

Resolution No. 34429

Adopting the 2000-2005 and Amended 1999 Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Program; and authorizing the submittal of grant applications for projects contained in the Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Program.

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

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Resolution No. 34430

Authorizing the execution of an interagency agreement with Thurston County to upgrade the railroad grade-crossing signals at Old Military Road.

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS (BEGAN AT 6:00 P.M.)

This is the date set for a public meeting by the City Council regarding the notice of intent to annex approximately 23 acres of property located at 58th Avenue NE and 12th Street NE in unincorporated Pierce County.

Council Member Baarsma moved to accept the annexation of the property of Bernard Coski as presented in the notice of intent to annex; and further, that the City waive all voter-approved property taxes, other than the EMS levy; and further, that the City assign appropriate zoning designations to the property when annexed. Seconded by Council Member Phelps. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER

City Manager Ray E. Corpuz Jr. requested a nine-month residency waiver for Ms. Cynthia L. Winder, to fill the position of Administrative Services Manager I, in the Human Resources Department, Tacoma Public Utilities.

Council Member Miller moved to grant the City Manager’s request for a nine-month residency waiver for Ms. Cynthia L. Winder, to fill the position of Administrative Services Manager I, in the Human Resources Department, Tacoma Public Utilities. Seconded by Council Member Crowley. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Mr. Corpuz then requested an Executive Session to discuss labor negotiations, the session not to exceed 20 minutes.

Mr. Corpuz also reminded the public and the City Council that two members of the original Regional Urban Design Assistance Team (R/UDAT) will be in town next week to meet with the Task Force and to conduct a public meeting on June 19, 1999, from 9:30 a.m. until noon, in the Olympic Room of the Main Library.

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COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL

Council Member Crowley moved to accept the settlement of \$58,500, negotiated by the Legal Department, in the matter of Rochelle Avery v. City of Tacoma, et al. Pierce County Superior Court Cause No. 97-2-06969-1. Seconded by Council Member Phelps. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

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

Council Member Phelps encouraged the public to participate in a public hearing regarding the recommendations by the community relative to group care homes Class II zoning proposals on June 16, 1999, at 4:00 p.m., on the first floor, of the Tacoma Municipal Building, in the Council Chambers.

Council Member McGavick stated that the Arts Commission is busy preparing information for an upcoming study session.

Council Member Miller requested that a form be developed for the residential rental registration program for customers to fill out to register their property.

Council Member De Forrest requested that the Arts Commission and the Landmarks Preservation Commission not use the Tacoma Economic Development Department's letterhead for their minutes. He stated that both of these Commissions advise the City Council, but are not a part of the Tacoma Economic Development Department.

Council Member Baarsma stated that he attended the Environmental Commission meeting last evening in which a presentation was made by a fisheries biologist employed by the Puyallup Tribe. He stated that the presentation was about 13 fishery restoration areas that exist along the Puyallup River. He said the intent of each of these project areas is to increase the amount of available spawning and rearing habitat. Council Member Baarsma stated that although complete restoration of the Puyallup River is impossible he was amazed to find that there are at least 20 miles that could be restored. He stated that he would be discussing with staff the position the City of Tacoma might take regarding further exploration.

Deputy Mayor Kirby expressed his appreciation for the opportunity to represent the Mayor while he was gone.

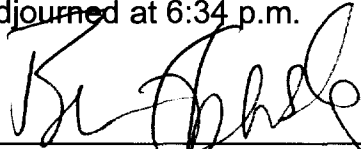
Mayor Ebersole expressed his condolences regarding the passing of Mr. Kelso Gillenwater, former publisher of *The News Tribune*. He stated that he was a person who added a great deal to the civic life of our community and will be a tremendous loss for our City.

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Council Member Crowley moved to convene to Executive Session to discuss labor negotiations, the session not to exceed 20 minutes. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Kirby. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

The City Council convened to Executive Session at 6:14 p.m. and reconvened at 6:34 p.m.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m.



BRIAN EBERSOLE, MAYOR

ATTEST: 

RICK ROSENBLADT, CITY CLERK

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