

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
September 27, 1977

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m.

Present on roll call 9: Bichsel, Hudson, Nelson, Nielsen, Schroeder, Sonntag, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Johnston.

The Flag Salutes was led by Mr. Warnick.

CONSENT AGENDA

PETITIONS:

- a. W. TOWNE COLLINS & JOHN MILLER requesting the rezoning of the property located in the vicinity of the northeast corner of North 19th and Oakes Street from an "R-3" to an "R-4-L" District.
- b. THE HARKEY COMPANY CORP. requesting the rezoning of the property located on the south side of South 72nd Street between Alaska Street and Sheridan Avenue from an "R-2" to an "R-2-PRD", "R-4L-PRD", and "R-4L-T" District.

For referral to the Hearings Examiner.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 24633

Setting Tuesday, October 18, 1977 at 9:00 A.M. as the date for hearing by the Hearings Examiner the vacation of certain streets and alleys at So. 15th and Shirley Streets. (Ted Fix)

ASSESSMENT ROLLS:

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

L.I.D. 8143 - asphaltic concrete pavement of the alley between South 60th and South 61st Street from Fawcett Avenue to South "D" Street.

L.I.D. 8144 - permanent paving on North 35th from Puget Sound Avenue to Warner Street; Warner Street from North 21st to North 22nd Street; and Ferdinand Street from North 21st to North 22nd Street.

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L.I.D. 8146 - permanent paving on East 63rd from East "J" to East "K" Street and East 31st from Portland Avenue to East "N" Street.

L.I.D. 8162 - permanent paving on East "L" from East 61st to East 62nd and East 70th from East "L" to East "M" Street.

Fixing Monday, October 24, 1977 at 4:00 P.M. as the date for hearing.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee meeting of September 19, 1977.
- b. Department of Public Works filing a copy of the Aging Schedule for various Urban Arterial Projects.
- c. 1976 Joint Report - City of Tacoma Suggestion Systems.
- d. 1977 Annual Report - Beautification Committee.
- e. Minutes of Board of Pierce County Commissioners meetings of September 19 and 20, 1977.

Mayor Johnston advised that the Planning Department has requested that Resolution 24633 be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Mayor Johnston moved that Resolution 24633 be removed from the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mr. Schroeder moved that the Consent Agenda, as amended, be approved. Seconded by Mr. Nelson. Voice vote was taken and carried. The items were declared approved as amended.

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

COMMUNICATIONS:

City Attorney requesting that Street Vacation Request #124.537, Tyler Street between South 60th and 62nd and South 60th between Mason and Tyler Streets be closed and Ordinance No. 20781 be tabled. (Petitioner - Matt Matz) (Continued from the meeting of July 19).

Bob Backstein, Hearings Examiner, asked that this be continued for two weeks.

Mr. Schroeder moved that the communication be continued for two weeks. Seconded by Mrs. Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Communication was continued to October 11, 1977.

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FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 21143

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to reclassify the southwest corner of South 12th Street and Puget Sound Avenue from an "R-2" to a "C-1" District. (Gunnars Abolins)

Mr. Backstein asked that the Ordinance be continued for one week.

Mr. Warnick moved that the final reading of Ordinance 21143 be continued for one week. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Final reading of the Ordinance was continued to October 4, 1977.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 21172

Amending the Pay and Compensation Plan relative to application of additional rates for workers under the Local #483 agreement.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 21173

Appropriating the sum of \$10,000.00 from the Countercyclical Fund No. 195 to provide additional funding to the Tacoma Ambulatory Care Center (Family Clinic) and approving an amendment to an agreement with the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Board.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 24634

Authorizing execution of an agreement with the Urban Reinvestment Task Force for development of a Neighborhood Housing Services Program.

Mrs. Bichsel moved that the Resolution be continued for two weeks. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was continued to October 11, 1977.

Resolution No. 24635

Authorizing execution of an agreement with Knight, Vale & Gregory, Certified Public Accountants for the making of annual financial and management audits and surveys.

Mr. Sonntag moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Strege.

Bill Brown, representing Knight, Vale & Gregory, spoke and answered questions of Council members.

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

Resolution No. 24636

Authorizing execution of an agreement with the State of Washington Employment Security Department to provide classroom training under Title I of the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act of 1973 for unemployed, underemployed and economically disadvantaged City residents.

Mr. Sonntag moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Strege.

Frances C. Smith of 4653 East "G" Street spoke.

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

Resolution No. 24637

Authorizing execution of an agreement with the Tacoma Urban League to provide on-the-job training to unemployed, underemployed or economically disadvantaged City of Tacoma residents under Title I of the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act of 1973.

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

Resolution No. 24638

Authorizing execution of an agreement with Pierce County to provide a pre-trial court intervention program designated "Project El-Cid" for the period October 1, 1977 through September 30, 1978.

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

Resolution No. 24639

Authorizing execution of project prospectuses for seven projects under the Urban Arterial Program.

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. 24640

Authorizing execution of a modification of the declaration of land use restriction dated August 30, 1973 on the rezone of certain property located in the vicinity of South Mildred between South 15th and South 17th Streets extended from an "R-P" to an "R-3-PRD" District. (National Benevolent Association.

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

Mayor Johnston moved to suspend the rules to consider Resolution No. 24641. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Resolution No. 24641

Appointing a Citizens Advisory Committee with reference to expenditures of certain Federal revenue sharing funds for project activities.

Mr. Sonntag moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder.

Mr. Strege moved to add one additional member to the committee, the member to be Pat Gavigan, 5918 South Park Avenue. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Voice vote was taken and carried on the Resolution as amended. The Resolution was declared adopted.

APPEALS:

This is the date set for hearing the appeal of Norman T. Arp, d/b/a/ Tom's Handcrafted Upholstery, of the Tax and License Director's decision to deny his application for a business license.

Mayor Johnston referred to the letter dated September 26, 1977 from Norman P. Arp, who states that he is withdrawing his appeal.

Mayor Johnston moved to remove the item from the agenda. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Appeal was removed from the agenda.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Mayor Johnston appointed the following Council members to serve on the L.I.D. Committee for the months of October, November and December: Councilmembers Nelson, Nielsen and Strege.

Mayor Johnston also announced that Stan Naccarato, General Manager of our baseball team, will hold a press conference tomorrow morning at 11:00 a.m. at the Poodle Dog Restaurant, relative to the clubs Triple AAA Association affiliations.

Mr. Sonntag reported that as a member of the committee of the National League of Cities he will be attending a series of meetings on the new Federal Welfare Reform Act, whereupon a policy will be decided upon. He thanked the City Manager and staff members for contributions on the agenda items for these meetings.

Mr. Warnick inquired as to the limitations of Council members participating on ballot issues. Bob Hamilton, City Attorney, advised that the State law reads that no City official or employee shall utilize any City facility for political purposes.

Mr. Nielsen moved to recess for fifteen minutes. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried. Meeting recessed at 5:45 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 6:00 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Warnick moved to suspend the rules for the balance of the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Deputy Mayor Warnick assumed the gavel for the balance of the meeting.

CITIZENS REQUEST TO BE HEARD:

Arnold J. Herrmann requesting to speak regarding a matter of great importance to all residents of the City. (Continued from the meeting of September 13th)

Dr. Arnold J. Herrmann announced that his matter of great importance to the residents of the City is a testimonial (a roast) to outgoing Mayor Gordon N. Johnston. Dr. Herrmann acting in the capacity of Master of Ceremonies introduced the following State and local officials, businessmen, former employees and citizens, who both roasted and acclaimed the Mayor for his eight years of dedicated service as Mayor to the citizens of Tacoma:

- Clay Huntington, County Commissioner
- Dick Greco, County Auditor
- State Representative Jim Salatino
- Bob Anderson, former Director of Public Works

Clair Gaisford, former City Finance Director
Bob Kind and August von Boecklin, representing the Downtown Tacoma Assn.
Don Barber, Executive Director, Chamber of Commerce
Bob Honan, Restaurant Owner
Clyde Hupp, representing the Pierce County Central Labor Council
Dr. David Dye, member of the Public Utility Board
Aldo J. Benedetti, Director of Utilities
Tom Dixon, Executive Director of the Tacoma Urban League
Cathy Packer, Ms. Downtown Tacoma
Harold Moss, former City Council member

Letters were received from the following individuals and read at the Council meeting:

Wes Uhlman, Mayor of the City of Seattle
Washington State Governor Dixy Lee Ray
Lyle Smith, former Chief of Police
U.S. Senators Warren Magnuson and Henry Jackson
U.S. Representatives Norm Dicks and Don Bonker

Two tape recordings were played which had been received in the mail from the following:

William Donaldson, former City Manager
Russell Buehler, former Director of the Planning Department

Other speakers were Council members: Bichsel, Hudson, Nelson, Nielsen, Schroeder, Sonntag, Strege and Warnick.

Mr. Sonntag read a Proclamation proclaiming January 9, 1978 as "Good-bye Gordie Day throughout the City of Tacoma." Mr. Sonntag moved to adopt the proclamation. Seconded by Mrs. Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried.

On proper motion the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.


GORDON N. JOHNSTON - MAYOR

ATTEST: 
H. B. BOND - CITY CLERK

