

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers  
May 30, 1978

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 p.m.

Present on roll call: 7 - Bichsel, Evans, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege and Mayor Parker. Absent: Hudson and Warnick. Mr. Hudson arrived at 5:11 p.m.

The United States Flag and the Washington State Flag were posted by Mark Fazil, Cub Scout and Ann Bunger, Girl Scout. Danny Hunt, Cub Scout, led the assembly in, the Flag Salute.

The prayer was led by Mayor Mike Parker.

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C O N S E N T A G E N D A

Approval of the minutes of the meeting of May 23, 1978.

PETITIONS:

Realbon Corporation requesting the rezoning of the property located in the area bounded on the west by Steele Street extended south, on the east by State Street, on the north by South 42nd Street, and on the south by South 43rd Street extended east.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 25040

Setting Tuesday, June 20, 1978, at 9:00 a.m., as the date for hearing by the Hearings Examiner the request for vacation of a portion of North 29th Street at North Pine Street.  
(Donald E. Munson)

Resolution No. 25041

Setting Tuesday, June 20, 1978, at 1:30 p.m., as the date for hearing by the Hearings Examiner the request for vacation of a portion of Lincoln Avenue near Port of Tacoma Road. (Liang Pacific)

Resolution No. 25042

Setting Tuesday, June 20, 1978, at 1:30 p.m., for hearing by the Hearings Examiner the request for vacation of a portion of South 32nd Street at Tyler. (M.C. Pruitt)

Resolution No. 25043

Setting Tuesday, June 20, 1978, at 1:30 p.m., as the date for hearing by the Hearings Examiner the request for vacation of Ashton Street between Port of Tacoma Road and Thorne Road. (Tacoma Terminals Co., et al)

Resolution No. 25044

Setting Tuesday, June 20, 1978, at 1:30 p.m., as the date for hearing by the Hearings Examiner the request for vacation of three feet of Hosmer Street south of Center Street. (Atlas Foundry)

Resolution No. 25045

Setting Monday, June 26, 1978, at 4:00 p.m., as the date for hearing on L.I.D. 5579 for water mains and fire hydrants in Ea. Division Lane from Roosevelt Ave. to Grandview Ave. and in Grandview Ave. from Ea. Division Lane to Sherman Street.

ASSESSMENT ROLLS:

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

L.I.D. 5567 - Constructing water mains and fire hydrants in East 53rd Street from East "K" to East "L" Street.

Fixing Monday, June 26, 1978, at 4:00 p.m. as the date for hearing.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Hearings Examiner agenda for Tuesday, May 30, 1978.
- b. Minutes of the Landmarks PRESERVATION Commission of May 10, 1978.
- c. Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting of May 10, 1978.
- d. Tacoma-Pierce County Humane Society & S.P.C.A. Total Work Report for April, 1978.
- e. Tacoma Industrial Airport Quarterly Financial Report for the period ending March 31, 1978.
- f. Monthly report, March, 1978, Finance Director.
- g. Monthly financial report, March, 1978, Belt Line Railway.
- h. Monthly financial report, March, 1978, Data Processing Div.
- i. Monthly financial report, March, 1978, City Light.
- j. Monthly financial report, March, 1978, City Water.
- k. Minutes of Human Relations Commission Study Session, March 2, 1978.
- l. Minutes of Human Relations Commission Business Meeting, April 20, 1978.

Mr. Schroeder moved that all items on the Consent Agenda, including Resolutions Nos. 25040, 25041, 25042, 25043, 25044 and 25045, be approved. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen.

Ron Skaggs, Assistant to the City Manager, asked that Resolution No. 25059 be included in the Consent Agenda.

Resolution No. 25059

Setting the date of June 13, 1978, for public hearing on a proposed Urban Development Action Grant Application for a law center in downtown Tacoma.

Mr. Schroeder and Mr. Nielsen amended their motion to include Resolution No. 25059. Voice vote was taken and carried on the Consent Agenda as amended. The items were declared approved.

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Mayor Parker moved to recess into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter and labor negotiations. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Council recessed at 5:15 p.m. The Council reconvened at 5:30 p.m.

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R E G U L A R   A G E N D A

COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. Hearings Examiner recommending denial of John G. Finch's request for reclassification from an "R-1" to an "R-2" District, an existing single family dwelling at 1802 Jackson Avenue into a psychologist's clinic. Appeal has been filed. (Cont. from 5-16-78)

Bob Backstein, Hearings Examiner, advised that Ronald Leighton, Attorney for Mr. Finch has advised that he wished to have this continued. Mayor Parker asked Mr. Leighton if one week was what he wanted. Mr. Leighton advised that he would prefer three weeks.

Dr. Robert Whitney of 1736 Fairview Drive South, of the neighborhood in question was asked if the three weeks continuance would meet with his groups approval. Dr. Whitney said it would pose no problem.

Mayor Parker moved to continue the communication and appeal for three weeks to June 20, 1978. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

- b. Hearings Examiner submitting Shoreline Management Permit Application No. 141.171 - Clayton Harris - to allow an existing landfill to serve as road access from East 11th Street to the applicant's property, located on the easterly side of Ea. 11th, approximately 700 ft. south of Marine View Drive.

Mr. Nielsen moved to concur in the recommendation of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Roll call vote was taken, resulting in Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege and Mayor Parker. Nays: 0. Absent: 1 - Warnick. The motion carried.

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FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 21368

Repealing Chapter 6.04 of the Official Code relating to Amusement Arcades.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Warnick.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21369

Appropriating the sum of \$22,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the Vacated Street Right-of-Way Fund No. 6420 to the National Endowment for the Arts Fund No. 1350 for the purpose of developing and improving a waterfront park adjacent to Ruston Way on City property southeasterly of the Old Town Dock and declaring an emergency, making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Warnick.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21370

Authorizing the transfer of Urban Renewal Neighborhood Demonstration Program A-3 funds in the sum of \$30,395.97 to the Community Development Third Action Year Fund, appropriating the sum of \$30,395.97, or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Community Development Third Action Year Fund for the South End Neighborhood Center Program and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Warnick

The Ordinance was delcared passed.

Ordinance No. 21371

Accepting a gift of one twenty-inch lawn trimmer from Baldwin and Son for use in the Home Repair Program operated by the Department of Human Development.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Warnick

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21372

Authorizing exeectuion of an agreement with United Way of Pierce County to operate the Youth Activities Coalition Project; authorizing the transfer of the sum of \$8,691 from the Contingency Fund to the General Fund, appropriating said sum from the General Fund and allocating the sum of \$3,309 from the Federal Shared Revenue Fund for the Youth Activities Coalition Project and declaring an emergency, making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Warnick

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 21373

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to reclassify the south side of North 35th Street, approx. 220 feet east of North Pearl Street from an "R-2" to an "R-3" District. (Bert H. Paul)

Mr. Schroeder said he would not participate in consideration of the ordinance due to the Appearance of Fairness Doctrine. Mr. Schroeder left the Council Chambers.

Mr. Nielsen moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Mrs. Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Final reading of the Ordinance was set over to a date to be determined.

Ordinance No. 21374

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to reclassify the southeast corner of So. 74th and Oakes Street from and "R-2" to an "R-4-L" District. (Annon W. May)

Mr. Strege moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Mrs. Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Final reading of the Ordinance was set over to a date to be determined.

Ordinance No. 21375

Authorizing execution of an agreement with Terrance Fergusson and the Port of Tacoma for a study of the Steam Locomotive Project authorizing the transfer of the sum of \$1,500 from the Contingency Fund to the General Fund and appropriating said sum for the purpose of paying the City's share for the consultant agreement and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

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City Manager, Erling Mork, asked that first reading of this Ordinance be continued for one week.

Mayor Parker moved that the first reading of the ordinance be continued for one week. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

First reading of the Ordinance was continued to June 6, 1978.

Ordinance No. 21376

Authorizing execution of an agrant award contract with the U.S. Department of Transportation, Urban Mass Transit Administration, in the amount of \$43,650.00., creating a new fund to be known as the "Elderly and Handicapped Self-Identifying Techniques Program Fund"; and authorizing a temporary loan from the General Fund all for the purpose of carrying out the Self-Identifying Techniques project.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 21377

Authorizing the transfer of \$75,000 from the Contingency Fund to the General Fund and appropriating \$75,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the General Fund to the Metropolitan Park District for the purpose of funding operating costs of the Peoples Center at 16th and "K" Street, and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance.

Speaking to the Ordinance was John C. Frai, 1423 North 43rd Street.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 25049

Awarding contracts to:

1. Walker Chevrolet on its bid of \$11,957.81 for Four 4-door Police Sedans.
2. Kent Gilchrist GMC on its bid of \$41,356.85 for One Tandem Axle Cab & Chassis.

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

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Resolution No. 25050

Authorizing the partial release and amendment of Light Division easements in the vicinity of Grandview Dr. West and 48th Street West.

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

Resolution No. 25051

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to file the Notice of Intent with the Pierce County Boundary Review Board to furnish water in the area in the vicinity of University Place and McMillin Reservoir.

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

Resolution No. 25052

Authorizing the purchase of a 4.3 acre tract of land at the northwest corner of 192nd Street East and 22nd Ave. Ea. for the construction of the proposed Crescent Substation.

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

Resolution No. 25053

Authorizing execution of a concomitant agreement with L.P.F. Investors concerning the development of an 11,000 square foot commercial building in a "C-P-N" District located on the west side of Sprague Ave. approx. 300 feet south of So. 66th Street.

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

Resolution No. 25054

Authorizing execution of an agreement with the Tacoma Actors Guild for a proposed performance of the production "Guys & Dolls" for Tacoma senior citizens at a cost not to exceed \$4,000.00.

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



Resolution No. 25055

Authorizing the purchase of one Surveyor-Calculator from Hewlett-Packard Co. for the sum of \$4,265.25 and waiving the requirement for competitive bidding.

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

Resolution No. 25056

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute certain leases and agreements with tenants of the Medical Arts Building.

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

Resolution No. 25057

Authorizing execution of a sewer agreement with the Town of Ruston to serve Tacoma properties abutting Ruston to the south.

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

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Mayor Parker moved to suspend the rules to consider Resolution No. 25046. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Resolution No. 25046

Appointing Lois M. Neitzel as a member of the City Beautification Committee for a term expiring on January 22, 1981.

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

Mayor Parker moved to suspend the rules to consider Resolutions Nos. 25047 and 25058. Seconded by Mr. Kirby. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Resolution No. 25047

Revising the structure of the Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee and making certain appointments thereto.

Mayor Parker moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen.

Mayor Parker moved to amend the resolution on Exhibit "A" to set the term of office of George Nalley as one year and the terms of office

Glen E. Meredith, Thomas W. Neitzel, Anna Munoz, Thomas F. Labriola and Nancy K. Nance as two year terms. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen.

Speaking on the resolution was Sandi Mueller, 5432 No. 46th Street.

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

Resolution No. 25058

Appointing Dr. Jack Hyde as the Planning Commission representative and member to the Natural Systems Citizens Committee, appointing Walter W. Walker, Russell P. Nance, James F. Leggett and Lyle Quasim to three year terms commencing adoption of the resolution and appointing Alfred J. Thierry to a three year term and Anna M. Miskovsky, Sarah L. Farrell, Dick Proo and Craig Thomas Miller to two year terms commencing June 30, 1978, all as members of the Natural Systems Citizens Committee.

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

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COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Mayor Parker reported he has been contacted by numerous individuals regarding Tacoma's proposed new fireboats. He said he requested from them a letter indicating their exact concerns and their request for reconsideration. He said the City Attorney will advise Council regarding the requests.

Mayor Parker also said he would be bringing to Council the recommendation for an Urban Policy Committee to deal with a number of complex issues.

Mr. Hudson advised there is a meeting of the Health Services Agency in Seattle tomorrow at 1:30 p.m. in the Council of Governments Office and a larger meeting at 3:00 p.m. Friday for a briefing of elected officials with regard to the agreement now circulating among elected officials and members of the Health Service Agency.

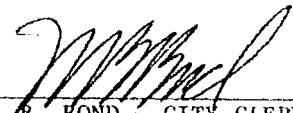
Mr. Strege advised of a third meeting of the Health Services Agency on negotiations with the local Pierce County Health Council. He will forward to Council the details of that meeting. It will be held at noon on Wednesday, June 14, 1978.

Mr. Evans asked the City Manager for a copy of the ordinance approving reduced speed limits on Pearl Street. He said he may ask to further reduce the speed limit from 42nd Street to Point Defiance Park.

Mr. Hudson said he felt that if the 5 Mile Drive were closed to traffic on weekends it would eliminate some of the traffic problems on Pearl Street.

On proper motion the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

  
MIKE PARKER - MAYOR

ATTEST:   
H. B. BOND - CITY CLERK