

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
October 31, 1995

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m.

Present on roll call: 9 - Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Evans, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Moss.

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member Silas.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the City Council meetings of October 10 and 17, 1995.

PETITION:

Stanford E. Pulliam requesting the reclassification of the property located at 6818-6820 Sixth Avenue from a "C-1" Commercial District to a "C-2" Commercial District for retail stores. (Stanford E. Pulliam; File No. 120.1404)

For referral to the Hearing Examiner.

RESOLUTION:

Resolution No. 33192

Setting Tuesday, November 21, 1995, at approximately 6:00 p.m., as the date for a public hearing by the City Council on redevelopment of the ASARCO Smelter Site.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of the meeting of the Civil Service Board, October 2, 1995.
- b. Minutes of the meeting of the Human Rights Commission, September 21, 1995.
- c. Minutes of the meeting of the Tacoma Library Board of Trustees, September 20, 1995.
- d. Minutes of the meeting of the Tacoma Area Task Force on Disabilities, September 28, 1995.

Council Member Miller moved that the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 33192, be approved. Seconded by Council Member Silas. Voice vote was taken

and carried. The Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 33192, was declared approved.

Mayor Moss proclaimed the month of November 1995, to be "Hospice Month" and the day of November 4, 1995, to be "Hike for Hospice Day," and presented the proclamation to Mr. Roy Kimbel.

Mayor Moss called on Ms. Janet Leng, Associated Ministries, who introduced Mr. Momodou Jaiteh, from West Africa, who thanked the citizens of Tacoma for helping country by participating in the Crop Hunger Walk program.

Council Member Miller moved to suspend the rules to consider Resolution No. 33197 at this time. Seconded by Council Member Silas. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 33197

Requesting the Washington State Department of Transportation to take measures to relieve traffic congestion in the area of Jackson Avenue and State Route 16.

Council Member Miller moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Evans.

Council Member Baarsma requested the Council's indulgence for a moment and recognized the international students in the audience from the University of Puget Sound International Students Program. The students introduced themselves.

Council Member Miller moved to amend Resolution No. 33197 by adding the names of Council Members Silas, McGavick, Baarsma, Deputy Mayor Evans and Mayor Moss to the Resolution. Seconded by Council Member Silas. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

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

REGULAR AGENDA

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 25777

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$75,000, depositing in and appropriating said sum from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund for intake services for housing discrimination charges and related staff training.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 -- Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Evans, Kirby, McGavick, Silas, and Mayor Moss.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 1 -- Miller.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 25778

Authorizing the execution of a grant award agreement with the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$97,639, depositing in and appropriating said sum from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund for administration of the Fair Housing Initiatives Program, Administrative Enforcement Initiative.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 -- Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Evans, Kirby, McGavick, Silas, and Mayor Moss.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 1 -- Miller.

Ordinance No. 25779

Amending the Pay and Compensation Plan to allow employees to take advantage of special discounts from merchants or businesses as members of employee groups, organizations or similar broad-based groups.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 -- Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Evans, Kirby, McGavick, Silas, and Mayor Moss.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 1 -- Miller.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 25780

Amending Titles 6 and 9 of the Municipal Code relative to sidewalk vending.

Speaking before the Council was:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Keith Stone	Resident

Council Member Crowley moved to continue Ordinance No. 25780 to the meeting of November 28, 1995. Seconded by Council Member Silas. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ordinance No. 25780 will be considered at the regular City Council meeting of November 28, 1995.

Ordinance No. 25781

Accepting \$140,000 from the Washington State Energy Office, depositing in and appropriating said sum from the Miscellaneous Special Revenue Summary Fund for implementing the Commute Trip Reduction plans and programs.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Purchase Resolution No. 33193

Awarding contracts to:

1. Yerian Environmental Services, on their bid of \$28,350, for data validation for sediment and water samples on the Thea Foss Waterway - Specification No. G-045-95;
2. NuWest Group, Inc., in the amount of \$10,462.67, to increase their contract for temporary personnel services for Thea Foss sediment and water samples - P.O. No. 18955;
3. Western Peterbilt, Inc., in the amount of \$50,000, to increase their contract for truck maintenance and repairs - O.P.O. No. 3611; and
4. Rejecting all bids for the conversion of two Fire Department vans - Specification No. G-051-95.

Mayor Moss moved that the Purchase Resolution, including waiving formal bidding procedures on Item No. 3, be adopted. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Evans.

Voice vote was taken and carried on the Purchase Resolution. The Purchase Resolution, including waiving formal bidding procedures on Item No. 3 was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 33194

Authorizing the execution of a two-year lease agreement with Keith Peterson, in the amount of \$10,092, for office space at 920 Alder Street, Sumner, for the Sumner MOMS and Women's Recovery Center programs.

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

Resolution No. 33195

Authorizing the execution of agreements with Northwest Housing Development, in the amount of \$90,000, for the Self-Help Housing Program.

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

Resolution No. 33196

Authorizing the execution of a purchase and sale agreement with McFarland Cascade Holdings, Inc., in the amount of \$387,500, for the purchase of 16 acres of undeveloped land surrounding the Harrison Range, for the maintenance and use of the police firing range.

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS: (Began at approximately 6:12 p.m.)

This is the date set for a hearing on proposed property tax incentives for new construction and improvements for multi-family housing developments and to designate residential target areas within established mixed-use centers.

Speaking before the Council was/were:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Tyler Gazecki	1022 North K Street

The hearing was declared closed at 6:22 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mayor Moss moved that the City Manager be authorized to enter into a settlement agreement with the Great American Insurance Company and that the City Attorney be authorized to dismiss Great American from the pending Federal Court lawsuit of City of Tacoma v. Great American, in accordance with the terms of a confidential memorandum to the City Manager dated October 27, 1995, in file in the office of City Attorney. Seconded by Council Member Crowley. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER:

City Manager Ray E. Corpuz, Jr. introduced Gary Tiedeman, from Planning and Development Services, who will be serving as Special Assistant to the City Manager this quarter. Mr. Corpuz reported that he has taken some administrative actions so that those day care facilities that are licensed with the Department of Social and Health

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Services and were not licensed with the City of Tacoma on or before October 31, 1995, will have all their penalties abated on past tax and license requirements. Lastly, Mr. Corpuz reported that on "Make a Difference Day," last Saturday, City of Tacoma employees volunteered on making three significant contributions to the community. A lot was cleared on 14th and G Streets; about 80 yards of material was removed from a yard at 6511 South D Street, and approximately three acres of property was cleaned up in partnership with the Larchmont Neighborhood Group and a crew from Remann Hall.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL:

Council Member De Forrest read excerpts of an editorial entitled "Fix the Sidewalk Law" from the Daily Olympian. The article indicated that in Lacey and Tumwater, city officials are in charge of the repairs of sidewalks in residential neighborhoods. In Olympia, the responsibility of sidewalks are the responsibility of the adjacent property owner. Council Member De Forrest noted that the East Side Neighborhood Council supports Senator Sheldon's bill, which makes it clear who is responsible to repair sidewalks. Council Member De Forrest requested that an Ordinance be prepared to repeal the City's sidewalk ordinance which requires property owners to pay for the reconstruction of sidewalks.

Council Member Baarsma thanked Randy Lewis for meeting with him to discuss the ins and outs of local government with a group of exchange students from the University of Puget Sound. Council Member Baarsma commented on a memorandum from Juli Wilkerson concerning the Council's decision last week on the Community Development Block Grant allocations. Council Member Baarsma indicated that in paragraph two of the memorandum, one of the assumptions made was to not shift moneys from the Neighborhood Councils Innovative Grant Programs for the five percent shift to housing projects. In addition he and Deputy Mayor Evans met with representatives from YWCA to discuss the Battered Women's Shelter. He indicated that he was pleased to see that moneys would not be taken from the Battered Women's Shelter. He explained that he was committed to housing; however, he was concerned about the potential consequences of other programs. The five percent would be taken from the other capital projects categories and because that category would be reduced from 18 percent to 13 percent, he requested staff to provide information on what projects would be impacted.

Deputy Mayor Evans agreed with Council Member De Forrest in part on the sidewalk issue. He commented that some of the trees that were planted in sidewalks in the past have caused some of the repair work that is needed in sidewalks. Deputy Mayor Evans reported that he and Council Members Silas and Crowley met with the Health Department on the needle exchange program. He reported that the program is working. Deputy Mayor Evans reported that thanks to Congressman Dicks, Patty Murray, and Randy Tate, the Department of Energy is very likely not to consider civilian ports of entry for nuclear fuel. He thanked the citizens for voicing their concerns to help direct national policy.

Council Member Silas reported that the needle exchange program is progressing satisfactorily with the movable cart. She reported that there seems to be a little increase at 14th and G Streets. Long-range plans are to have pharmaceuticals take the needle exchange program off the streets. Third, there still seems to be a slight problem on the Jefferson site. Council Member Silas thanked City staff for cleaning up the lot at 14th and G Streets. Council Member Silas indicated that she, Mayor Moss, Deputy Mayor Evans and Council Member Baarsma met with the Fern Hill neighborhood to hear their concerns and find solutions. Council Member Silas reported that the curfew program is doing well.

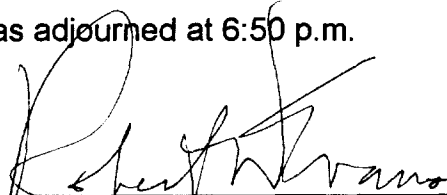
Council Member Crowley thanked Police Chief Fjetland for all his involvement with the community this past seven years.


Council Member McGavick commented on the curfew report discussed at Council study session today. Council Member McGavick indicated that some of the feedback she's received about the program is that parents are appreciative of the program and that it does help the families in Tacoma.

Mayor Moss commented on the Million Man March in Detroit, Michigan, last night. Thirty thousand volunteers were out help to keep the City of Detroit calm.

Council Member De Forrest moved to excuse Council Member Miller from the portion of the meeting in which he was absent. Seconded by Council Member Crowley. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.


HAROLD G. MOSS, MAYOR

ATTEST: 
RICK ROSENBLADT, ACTING CITY CLERK