



# City Council Minutes

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

February 23, 1999

The meeting was called to order at 5:07 p.m.

Present on roll call: 9 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Phelps, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole.

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member Silas.

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## CONSENT AGENDA

### RESOLUTIONS

#### **Resolution No. 34317**

Setting Tuesday, March 30, 1999, at 9:00 a.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on the request to vacate East E Street north of East 25th Street to the alley. (Pierce Transit; File No. 124.1093)

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

- a. Hearing Examiner's Agenda, March 2, 1999.
- b. Minutes of the Civil Service Board, December 7, 1998.
- c. Minutes of the Planning Commission, February 3, 1999.
- d. Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session and regular meeting, January 27, 1999; and retreat, January 29, 1999.

- e. Minutes of the Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority, January 14, 1999.

Council Member Miller moved that the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 34317, be approved. Seconded by Council Member Crowley. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 34317, was declared approved.

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**PROCLAMATION**

Mayor Ebersole proclaimed the weekend of February 25-28, 1999, as "Wintergrass Festival Weekend" and presented the proclamation to Ms. Charlee Glock-Jackson, Trustee, Secretary and a founder of the Wintergrass Festival.

**R E G U L A R   A G E N D A**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**

Council Member Miller moved to suspend the rules to consider additional Resolution No. 34319. Seconded by Council Member De Forrest. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

**Resolution No. 34319**

Appointing Council Member Baarsma and Council Member Phelps, as the alternate, to represent the City of Tacoma at the regular four-year review of the composition of the Pierce Transit Board of Commissioners.

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

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**FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES**

**Ordinance No. 26364**

Authorizing the execution of a grant award with the Washington State Military Department, in the amount of \$11,473; accepting, depositing in and appropriating said sum from the General Fund to support Emergency Management activities through September 30, 1999.

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Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Phelps, Silas,  
and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

**Ordinance No. 26365**

Reappropriating \$25,000 from unexpended 1997-1998 human service contract funds and allocating the funds to and authorizing the execution of an agreement with Associated Ministries of Tacoma-Pierce County to continue community mobilization services provided by the Hilltop Action Coalition; and declaring an emergency, making necessary the passage of this Ordinance.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Phelps, Silas,  
and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

**FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

**Ordinance No. 26366**

Vacating a portion of North Shirley Street between North 47th Street and the alley lying between North 47<sup>th</sup> and 48<sup>th</sup> Streets. (Pacific Design Home Builders, Inc.; File No. 124.1085)

Council Member Crowley moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading to a date to be determined.

**Ordinance No. 26367**

Vacating a portion of North 41<sup>st</sup> Street lying between Huson Street and the alley to the west. (Albert Udovich and Metropolitan Park District; File No. 124.1084)

Council Member Crowley moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading to a date to be determined.

**Ordinance No. 26368**

Amending Ordinance No. 26330 to establish pricing for cable television products and services by adding pricing for sports channels and digital music channels for business customers of the City of Tacoma Light Division's Cable Television Products and Services (Click! Network).

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

**Ordinance No. 26369**

Accepting \$110,314.56 from the Tacoma Public Library; depositing in and appropriating said sum from the Special I-Net Support Fund for the purchase of I-Net equipment and installation.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

**Ordinance No. 26370**

Repealing Ordinance No. 25518 and granting American Pacific Telephone the right, privilege and permission to install, maintain, and operate public telephone booths at designated locations on the streets and sidewalks of the City of Tacoma.

Speaking before the Council was:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Doug Miller	American Pacific Telephone

The Ordinance was set over for final reading on March 16, 1999.

**RESOLUTIONS**

**Resolution No. 34318**

Authorizing the execution of an amendment to the agreement with American Pacific Telephone for the operation of pay phones at specified locations.

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.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

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**REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Ray E. Corpuz Jr. stated the Annual Neighborhood Council Orientation, sponsored by the Community Council, will be held on Saturday, February 27, 1999, at 9:30 a.m.

Mr. Corpuz requested a residency waiver for the temporary position of Senior Legal Intern to be filled by Trin Tran. He then requested a residency waiver for Rebecca A. Japhet for the part-time position of Community Relations Specialist under a job sharing arrangement.

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Council Member Crowley moved to authorize the City Manager to grant a residency waiver for the temporary position of Senior Legal Intern to be filled by Trin Tran. Seconded by Council Member Phelps. Voice vote was taken and carried with Council Member Silas voting in opposition. The motion was declared adopted.

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Council Member Crowley moved to authorize the City Manager to grant a residency waiver to Rebecca A. Japhet for the part-time position of Community Relations Specialist. Seconded by Council Member Phelps. Voice vote was taken and carried with Council Member De Forrest voting in opposition. The motion was declared adopted.

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**COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL**

Council Member Crowley requested information regarding Internet service providers. He inquired as to whether or not Internet service providers are required to file monthly Business and Occupation tax reports. He then asked that, if Internet service providers are required to file those reports, what is the rationale for that requirement, since the City of Tacoma does not tax the Internet.

Council Member De Forrest requested a brief outline as to the services provided by the Association of Washington Cities for annual dues of \$61,000.

Council Member McGavick stated that she had the honor of introducing Senator Patty Murray last Friday at the Eastside Boys and Girls Club. She stated that Senator Murray was in town to help raise funds for the Zoo.

Council Member Miller stated that he has been reminded to comment on political signs. He stated that political signs are being illegally posted on City rights-of-way. He requested that we be consistent in enforcing the political sign ordinance.

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Mayor Ebersole moved to recess until 6:00 p.m. at which time the public hearings would begin.

The City Council recessed at 5:46 p.m. and reconvened at 6:00 p.m.

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

- a. This is the date for a public hearing by the City Council regarding the budget, program and assessment rates for the second year of the Downtown Business Improvement Area (BIA).

Council Member Miller excused himself from the public hearing.

Speaking before the Council were:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Address/Affiliation</b>
Linda Robinson	Manager, Washington Mutual Bank
Richard Mackenroth	4310 80 <sup>th</sup> Avenue West

The public hearing was declared closed at 6:08 p.m.

- b. This is the date for a public hearing by the City Council regarding amendments to Chapter 13.06 of the Municipal Code relating to zoning, which would allow the temporary display of real estate open house/directional signs.

Speaking before the Council were:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Address/Affiliation</b>
Ron Suslick	1541 North Harmon
Darren Pen	Resident
Alan R. Aest	7305 North Skyview Place
Richard Mackenroth	4310 80 <sup>th</sup> Avenue West
Michael Flynn	8620 71 <sup>st</sup> Street NW, Gig Harbor
John Louckes	5929 Westgate, #14
George Pilant	3803 North 36 <sup>th</sup> Street
Skip Vaughn	Chair, Southend Neighborhood Council
Margo Willis	Crescent Realty
Phyllis Barrett	912 South Cushman
Jeanie Peterson	1230 South Grant Avenue
Laura Vaughn	Resident

The public hearing was declared closed at 7:47 p.m.

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Held earlier in the meeting.

**REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER**

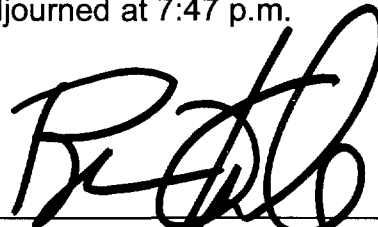
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**COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL**

Held earlier in the meeting.

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On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.



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BRIAN EBERSOLE, MAYOR

ATTEST:   
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RICK ROSENBLADT, CITY CLERK

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