

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
September 13, 1977

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

Present on roll call: 8 - Bichsel, Hudson, Nelson, Nielsen, Schroeder, Sonntag, Strege and Mayor Johnston. Absent: 1 - Warnick.

Mayor Johnston commented on the death of Police Officer Larry Frost, who was killed on Friday, September 10th, in the line of duty and extended sympathy to the family of Larry Frost. There was a moment of silent prayer in the Council Chambers.

The Flag Salute was led by Mrs. Bichsel.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the meeting of September 6, 1977.

PETITIONS:

Ted P. Fix requesting the rezoning of the property located on the westerly side of Bantz Blvd. between South 13th and 15th Streets from an "R-2" to an "R-4-L" District.

For referral to the Hearings Examiner.

APPEALS:

Norman T. Arp, d/b/a/ Tom's Handcrafted Upholstery, appealing the Tax & License director's decision to deny his application for a business license.

Suggested date for hearing is Tuesday, September 27, 1977.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of the Natural Systems Citizens' Committee meeting of August 8, 1977.
- b. Minutes of the Tacoma-Pierce County Civic Arts Commission meeting of August 11, 1977.
- c. Minutes of the Civil Service Board meetings of August 1 and August 15, 1977.
- d. Minutes of Board of Pierce County Commissioners meeting of September 6, 1977.
- e. Monthly statistical report for August 1977 - Municipal Court.
- f. Pierce County Resolution No. 20007 authorizing County-City Building Committee to make changes in occupancy ration within the County-City Building.

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Mr. Schroeder moved that all of the items listed on the Consent Agenda be approved. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The items were declared approved.

PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Johnston proclaimed the month of September as "Sickle Cell Month" in the City of Tacoma.

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

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 21116:

Vacating a portion of right-of-way at Lincoln Avenue and Port of Tacoma Road. (Port of Tacoma)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Hudson, Nelson, Nielsen, Schroeder, Sonntag, Strege and Mayor Johnston.

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Warnick

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21117:

Vacating a portion of South 11th Street between Mason and Tyler Streets. (Billy M. Jones, et al)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Hudson, Nelson, Nielsen, Schroeder, Sonntag, Strege and Mayor Johnston.

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Warnick

The Ordinance was declared passed.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 21156

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to reclassify the south side of So. 12th Street approximately 150 feet west of Cedar Street from an "R-3" to a "C-2" District. (Kay Parks Auto Rebuild)

Bob Backstein, Hearings Examiner, reviewed the request for Council and the conditions of his recommendations.

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

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

Ordinance No. 21157

Amending Chapter 6.89 of the Official Code relative to taxes levied on gambling activities.

Mr. Sonntag moved to consider substitute Ordinance No. 21157. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Dick Newman, Director of the Tax and License Department, answered questions of Council members regarding the ordinance.

The substitute Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 21158

Authorizing execution of a contract with the Tacoma Urban League, Inc., for operation of the Tacoma Vegetable Garden Project and appropriating the sum of \$6,000.00 from the Counter-Cyclical Fund No. 195 to carry out the project.

Keith Palmquist, Assistant Director of the Community Development Department, reviewed the ordinance for Council and answered questions.

Speaking in favor of the ordinance was Roger Kline of the Tacoma Urban League and Coordinator of the Tacoma Garden Program.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 21159

Authorizing execution of a contract with Alpha House to operate the Tacoma Youth/Drug Project and appropriating the sum of \$17,000 from the Counter-Cyclical Fund No. 195 and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

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Speaking in favor of the ordinance were: Bob Penton, Program Director of the Alpha House; Dr. Roger Meyers of Tacoma School District No. 10; Peter DeMark, Director of the Tacoma Housing Authority; Reverend Leo Brown, Director of the Progress House Association.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 21160

Authorizing execution of a contract with the Tacoma School District No. 10 to operate the Community Schools Project, appropriating the sum of \$16,399.00 from the Counter-Cyclical Fund No. 195 and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Speaking in favor of the ordinance was John Briehl, Manager of the City's Youth Services Bureau.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 21161

Appropriating the sum of \$149,000.00 from the Counter-Cyclical Fund for the purpose of cleaning and sealing the Medical Arts Municipal Building.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

RESOLUTIONS:

Purchase Resolution No. 24622

Awarding contracts to: (1) Woodworth & Co., Inc., on its bid of \$335,040.41 for Improvement 3133; (2) Morris Construction, Inc., on its bid of \$187,185.99 for Improvement 3134 and (3) Turner Towing Co., Inc., on its bid for Heavy Duty Towing.

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

Resolution No. 24623

Authorizing execution of an agreement with the "Stars of the New York City Ballet" to perform in concert on Monday, October 17, 1977.

Mr. Hudson 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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Resolution No. 24624

Authorizing execution of an agreement with the consulting firm of Durham, Anderson & Freed to conduct a feasibility and economic study for the Central District Heating, Cooling, Refuse-fixed, Base-fixed Combustor Steam Generator Project.

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. 24625

Authorizing execution of an agreement with Lea, Pearson and Richards, Architects, for person services relating to the Medical Arts Building.

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

Resolution No. 24626

Approving the removal of certain Conditions of Approval of a reclassification at the southeast corner of Center and Tyler Streets from an "R-3" to an "R-4-L" District. (James M. Fitzpatrick)

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

Mr. Sonntag moved to suspend the rules to consider Resolution No. 24627. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Authorizing execution of a grant with the U.S. Dept. of Commerce for improvements to Dock Street; Storm Trunk, 59th Ave. N.E. and 33rd Ave. and storm drainage for L.I.D.'s; totaling \$1,813,000.00.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mr. Sonntag moved to excuse Mr. Warnick from this meeting and next weeks' meeting. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

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COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Mayor Johnston advised that a communication had been received by the City Clerk's office requesting that the date set for the hearing on the appeal of Ken W. Johnson, which was set by Council last week, be rescheduled from Thursday, September 22, 1977 to October 25, 1977.

Mr. Nielsen moved that the hearing on the appeal be rescheduled to October 25, 1977. Seconded by Mrs. Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mayor Johnston referred to two study sessions on the processes of the Comprehensive Employment Service Council on the ex-offender program. He advised he would not be able to attend a meeting on the program on Thursday. He read a statement he was recommending be sent to the Comprehensive Employment Services Council stating the Council's position.

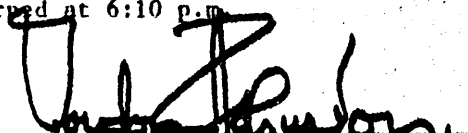
Council members approved the City's position as recommended.

Mr. Sonntag referred to the Washington State Legislative Committee Meeting held last week end. He advised that many of the bills discussed were ones the City had been concerned with. He urged that the City become involved with the bills prior to the committee hearings.

Mr. Sonntag expressed the appreciation of the citizens of Tacoma to the protection afforded them by the members of the Fire and Police services.

Mr. Sonntag moved to continue Item 15 of the agenda, Arnold J. Herrmann's request to speak, for two weeks. Seconded by Mrs. Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried. The item was continued to September 27, 1977.

On proper motion the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.



GORDON N. JOHNSTON - MAYOR

ATTEST: 

H. B. BOND - CITY CLERK