



# City Council Minutes

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

January 28, 2003

The meeting was called to order at 5:11 p.m.

Council Members Present: 9 – Evans, Ladenburg, Lonergan, McGavick, Miller, Moss, Phelps, Talbert, and Mayor Baarsma.

Council Members Absent: 0

The Flag Salute was led by Deputy Mayor Moss.

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- a. Minutes of the Citizens Recognition Committee, November 14, 2002.
- b. Minutes of the Human Rights Commission, November 21, 2002.
- c. Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, January 8, 2003.
- d. Humane Society Total Service Reports, September and October 2002.

## CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the City Council meetings and study sessions of January 7 and 14, 2003.

Council Member McGavick moved that the Consent Agenda be approved. Seconded by Council Member Miller. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda was declared approved.

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Mayor Baarsma, with the indulgence of the Council, moved to hear "Reports by the City Manager" at this time.

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**REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER**

Acting City Manager James L. Walton stated that the City Council had directed staff to revisit the issue of some of the City's series streetlights that had been turned off in response to budget cuts. Mr. Walton then called on Mr. Bill Pugh, Director of Public Works, for an update.

Mr. Pugh updated the City Council on short and long term options regarding the series streetlight issue along with a citizen communication plan. Mr. Pugh reviewed the locations of the circuits that have been turned off. He reviewed the safety conditions of some of the circuits. Mr. Pugh discussed interim lighting and using the Local Improvement District process for long-term repairs of the circuits. He stated that there are 34 remaining circuits that are still on, but are in very poor condition. Mr. Pugh proposed shutting those circuits off in four years and monitoring them during that time. Mr. Pugh stated that if, during that time, the 34 remaining circuits become a safety hazard, interim lighting may be used for the short-term and possibly using the Local Improvement District process for the long-term solution. He stated that notification will be sent to the property owners and that two focus meetings with citizens in the area will be held in the near future. Mr. Pugh concluded that some of the locations where the series streetlight circuits are located are within Community Development Block Grant eligible areas and funding may be available through the Grant.

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**R E G U L A R   A G E N D A**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**

**Resolution No. 35750**

Creating an ad hoc steering committee, to be known and designated as the Tacoma Public Utilities 10-Year Management Review Steering Committee; and appointing members of the City Council and Public Utility Board, the City Manager, and the Director of Tacoma Public Utilities, and, as an alternate, one member of the Public Utility Board.

Deputy Mayor Moss moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member McGavick.

Speaking before the Council was:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Allen Douglass	612 South 18 <sup>th</sup> Street, Apt. 5

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

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## **FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES**

### **Ordinance No. 27040**

Providing for the issuance of Limited Tax General Obligation Bond – 2003, in the principal amount not to exceed \$7,000,000, to finance the acquisition of business systems improvements; determining the form, terms, and covenants of the bond; establishing a bond redemption fund and an acquisition fund; and approving the sale of said bonds.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 – Evans, Ladenburg, Lonergan, McGavick, Miller, Moss, Phelps, Talbert, and Mayor Baarsma

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

## **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

### **Ordinance No. 27041**

Amending Title 6 of the Municipal Code relating to licenses and taxation; by repealing and reenacting Chapters 6.62, 6.64, 6.65, 6.66, 6.67, 6.71, and 6.89 to track the history for each of the affected sections within the Code.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

### **Ordinance No. 27042**

Appropriating \$99,600 from the Miscellaneous Trust Summary Fund; and authorizing the execution of a two-year agreement with the National Development Council to provide assistance with economic development projects.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

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## RESOLUTIONS

### **Purchase Resolution No. 35751**

Awarding contracts to:

1. Pike Construction, Inc., on its bid of \$51,426.00, for the Fire Department Communications Center – Specification No. G-252-02;
2. Railworks Track Systems, Inc., on its bid of \$188,161.98, for the Frederickson Wye Track Upgrade – Specification No. G-239-02;
3. Sound Ford, Inc., on its bid of \$631,830.00, for 30-2003 Ford Crown Victoria full-size police interceptor four-door sedans – Washington State Contract No. 05202;
4. Medtronic Physio-Control Corp., in the amount of \$146,394.00, for trade-in and replacement of portable cardiac diagnostic monitoring and defibrillating equipment – Sole Source;
5. Doron Precision Systems, Inc., in the amount of \$104,000.00, for a Doron interactive driving simulation system – Sole Source; and
6. Financial Consultants International, in the amount of \$143,430.00, to increase the contract for the installation of police emergency gear and accessories on 30 new vehicles for the Police Department.

Council Member Phelps moved to waive further reading and adopt based on information provided. Seconded by Council Member McGavick.

Deputy Mayor Moss moved to adopt Purchase Resolution No. 35751, including waiving formal bidding procedures on Item Nos. 4 and 5. Seconded by Council Member McGavick.

Speaking before the Council was:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Address/Affiliation</b>
Allen Douglass	612 South 18 <sup>th</sup> Street, Apt. 5
Phyllis Barrett	912 South Cushman

Voice vote was taken and carried on the Purchase Resolution. The Purchase Resolution, including waiving formal bidding procedures on Item Nos. 4 and 5, was declared adopted.

### **Resolution No. 35752**

Declaring surplus a parcel of vacant land located near 176<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, Kent, King County, Washington.

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

**Resolution No. 35753**

Authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with the Merit Building LLC to reconfigure and rehabilitate 35 to 45 units of market rate, multi-family housing located at 951-959 Market Street.

Deputy Mayor Moss moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member McGavick.

Speaking before the Council was:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Address/Affiliation</b>
John Ernest Berry III	Puyallup
Allen Douglass	612 South 18 <sup>th</sup> Street, Apt. 5

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

**Resolution No. 35754**

Opposing a pre-emptive U.S. military attack on Iraq and proposing that the U.S. Government give U.N. weapons inspectors in Iraq sufficient time to complete their task.

Deputy Mayor Moss moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member McGavick.

Speaking before the Council was:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Address/Affiliation</b>
Sally Shaw for Rev. David Alger	Associated Ministries
Burk Ketcham	420 North 4 <sup>th</sup> Street
Gretchen Roosevelt	3710 North Stevens
Carol Baarsma	Resident
John Ernest Berry III	502 4 <sup>th</sup> Street South West
Marilyn Dessauer	911 North K Street
Ken Novak	5202 Enetai Avenue North East
Ben Rampp	1902 South Union
George Stegmeier	5727 South Gove
Laura Vaughn	7634 South Fife
Allen Douglass	612 South 18 <sup>th</sup> Apt. 5
Father Bill Bichsel	1714 South G Street
Steve Kieta	Teacher, Bellarmine Preparatory School
Mary Plante	8512 32 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue Court South
Carrie Little	1417 South G Street
Josh Graham	801 North I Apt. 208
Rob Gramenz	3706 North Adams
Sarah Bodnar	Resident, University of Puget Sound
Barbara Schlotfeldt	4114 North Ferdinand
Antonio Rendina	1524 South 43 <sup>rd</sup> Street
Tom Karlin	1417 South G Street
Mary Bradford	720 6 <sup>th</sup> Avenue
Timothy Joel Smith	1122 South Grant Avenue
Alton McDonald	Resident

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<b>Name</b>	<b>Address/Affiliation</b>
Herman Diers	Resident
Monte Martin	East F Street
Russ Kruse	Resident
Lisa Tice	Gig Harbor Resident
Catherine Courtney	1216 South 7 <sup>th</sup> Street
Frank DePalma	Steilacoom Resident
Kent Alcorn	4414 North 9 <sup>th</sup> Street
David Boe	4818 North 27 <sup>th</sup> Street
Linda Frank	9124 Portland Avenue
Richard Anderson-Connolly	2915 North 22 <sup>nd</sup> Street
James Mitchell	2120 North Oakes

Roll call vote was requested and taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 6 – Evans, Ladenburg, McGavick, Miller, Moss, and Mayor Baarsma

Nays: 3 Lonergan, Phelps, and Talbert

The Resolution was declared passed.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

## **REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER**

Acting City Manager James Walton requested an Executive Session to discuss potential litigation, the session not to exceed 30 minutes.

## **COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL**

Council Member Talbert stated that the celebration of the TET Festival will be held this Saturday in the Lincoln International District on 38<sup>th</sup> Street and Yakima Avenue. He stated that it is an outstanding celebration and starts at 10:30 a.m.

Council Member Lonergan congratulated Auto Warehousing Company, Tacoma Guitar Company and the Port of Tacoma. He stated that they all received awards at the 2003 World Trade Center Tacoma's Annual Globe Awards Dinner. He stated that World Trade Center announced that they have assisted over 1,000 businesses and individuals with international trade activity during the last year. Council Member Lonergan stated that the World Trade Center is getting ready to move in with the Chamber of Commerce and the Economic Development Board in downtown Tacoma headquarters.

Council Member Lonergan congratulated Grace Nelson-Feinman, Financial Analyst, on her retirement after 30 years of service with the City of Tacoma.

Deputy Mayor Moss moved to convene to Executive Session to discuss potential litigation, the session not to exceed 30 minutes. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

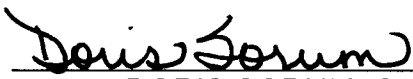
The City Council convened to Executive Session at 7:48 p.m. and reconvened at 8:16 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Moss moved to authorize final settlement in the claim of Robert L. Bailey, for the sum of \$40,000. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

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On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

  
WILLIAM H. BAARSMA, MAYOR

ATTEST:   
DORIS SORUM, CITY CLERK

