

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
December 22, 1987

The meeting was called to order at 5:09 p.m.

Present on roll call: 9 - Hyde, McElliott, Moss, Mykland, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Stenger, Warrick, and Mayor Sutherland.

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member Warrick.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of December 8, 1987.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 29853

Setting Tuesday, January 19, 1988 at approximately 5:30 p.m. as the date for a public hearing by the City Council concerning the "Central Business District Plan and Program".

Resolution No. 29854

Setting Tuesday, January 26, 1988 at 9:30 a.m. as the date for a hearing by the Hearings Examiner on the request to vacate portions of Union Avenue northerly of South Tacoma Way, southerly of the Burlington Northern right-of-way, near the Union Avenue viaduct. (City of Tacoma; File No. 124.864)

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of the meeting of the Human Rights Commission, November 19, 1987.
- b. Minutes of the meeting of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, December 9, 1987.
- c. Minutes of the meeting of the Municipal Authority, November 19, 1987.
- d. Minutes of the meeting of the Public Utility Board, November 25, 1987.

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- e. Minutes of the meeting of the Tacoma Planning Commission, November 16, 1987.
- f. Minutes of the meeting of the Urban Policy Committee, December 3, 1987.
- g. Report of the Director of Finance, October 1987.
- h. Volunteer Services Division, Third Quarter Report, 1987.
- i. Monthly Report of the Tacoma Police Department, November 1987.

Deputy Mayor Rasmussen moved that the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 29853 and 29854, be approved. Seconded by Council Member Hyde.

Mayor Sutherland stated that Pac-Tech Engineering Company has withdrawn their appeal regarding the reclassification request of Mary Harris (File No. 120.1191). He stated that copies of the letter were provided to Council on the dais. He noted that this appeal was previously scheduled for January 5, 1988.

Mayor Sutherland moved to remove the Pac-Tech appeal from the agenda and to refund their appeal fee. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rasmussen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Voice vote was taken and carried on the Consent Agenda, as amended. The Consent Agenda, as amended, was declared approved.

REGULAR AGENDA

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 23974

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to reclassify the property located on the south side of East 57th Street between McKinley Avenue and the Chehalis-Western Railroad right-of-way from an "R-2" One-Family Dwelling District to an "M-1" Light Industrial District to allow for the development of a mini-warehouse storage facility. (Tim Rooney; File No. 120.1225)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Hyde, McElliott, Moss, Mykland, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Stenger, Harnick, and Mayor Sutherland.

Nays: 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Ordinance No. 23996

Vacating a portion of Morton Street east of Portland Avenue to combine abutting properties to accommodate a new recreation center building and other improvements at the Portland Avenue playfield. (Department of Community Development and the Metropolitan Park District; File No. 124.856)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Hyde, McElliott, Moss, Mykland, Nielsen, Stenger, Warrick, and Mayor Sutherland.

Nays: 0.

Abstaining: 1 - Rasmussen.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 23997

Appropriating \$100,000.00 from the General Fund for unanticipated costs of jail services for the year 1987; and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Hyde, McElliott, Moss, Mykland, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Stenger, Warrick, and Mayor Sutherland.

Nays: 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 23998

Appropriating \$30,000.00 from the Radio Communication Revolving Fund for additional maintenance expenses of the City's Radio Communication System for 1987; and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Hyde, McElliott, Moss, Mykland, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Stenger, Warrick, and Mayor Sutherland.

Nays: 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Ordinance No. 23999

Authorizing the execution of a grant award contract with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for \$36,320.00; and depositing in and appropriating said sum from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund for the processing of complaints alleging discrimination in the City of Tacoma.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Hyde, McElliott, Moss, Mykland, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Stenger, Harnick, and Mayor Sutherland.

Nays: 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 24000

Adopting the Annual Budget of the City of Tacoma for fiscal year 1988.

Mayor Sutherland moved to suspend the rules to consider Substitute Ordinance No. 24000. Seconded by Council Member Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Mayor Sutherland moved that the following changes be made to the 1988 Preliminary General Fund Budget:

	<u>Addition (Savings)</u>
1. Eliminate the Council Discretionary Funding	\$ - 600,000
2. Fund the Community-based program at the recommended Preliminary Budget level	-0-
3. Eliminate all new positions, except those necessary to meet the City's grant responsibilities in the energy programs, to include the following:	
Administrative Assistant - Municipal Court	-47,865
City Attorney and one-half Clerk - Legal Prosecution	-46,702
Benefits Coordinator - Personnel	-27,916

During 1988, the City Manager may propose to the Council a plan by which revenues could be derived to equal the cost of any or all of the aforementioned positions the Council will consider at that time adding the position(s) to the 1988 Budget.

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Addition
(Savings)

- 4.a. Not to use the Health Department's Self-Insurance Fund as a source of revenue to the General Fund to partially offset the cost of an AIDS program. + 310,000
- 4.b. Fund the Health Department AIDS program from the General Fund at \$200,000, as recommended in the Preliminary Budget. -0-
- 5. Create additional reserves for 1989 by:
 - a. Reducing the funding for the CIP Fund from the \$1.6 million in 1987 to \$1.1 million for 1988 (source: 1/4 real estate excise transfer tax). Reserve the 1988 CIP monies for the 1990 Goodwill Games Swimming Pool until a decision is made relative to its construction. -1,299,349
 - b. Maintain all the present funds in the City Waterway Fund for waterfront development purposes that may be determined in subsequent years. + 300,000
 - c. Maintain the present funds in the Vacated-Right-of-Way (Open Space) Fund for expenditure purposes that may be determined in subsequent years. + 160,000
 - d. Create a new "Cumulative Reserve Fund - All America City" for paying the future costs of programming, planning and implementation of the recommendations of the American City Corporation Study, including necessary improvements to the Bicentennial Pavilion. Transfer \$1,000,000 to this Cumulative Reserve fund. + 1,000,000
 - e. Create no new contractual commitments to the 1985, 1986, and 1987 CIP expenditures until a General Fund fiscal plan projection for 1989 and 1990 has been completed. -0-

Defer all 1988 regular capital outlay purchases until July. Capital outlay purchases prior to July 1988 can be made only when deemed necessary for the public good, as judged by the City Manager.

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Addition
(Savings)

f. The City staff will work together throughout 1988 to create as many budget savings as possible towards balancing the 1989 budget. All existing personnel vacancies and any future personnel vacancies in General Government will be filled only when deemed necessary for the public good, as judged by the City Manager. - 2,000,000

6. No expanded services or new programs will be added to the 1988 Budget beyond those contained in the 1988 Preliminary Budget. -0-

7. Appropriate an additional \$52,673 from the Strong Motion Earthquake Instrumentation Fund 1150 for a total \$82,673 for the purpose of providing for an Earthquake Mitigation and Preparedness Project.

TOTAL \$ - 2,251,832

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rasmussen.

Council Members Mykland, Moss, Hyde, and McElliott made comments relative to the proposed motion.

Voice vote was taken and carried, with Council Members McElliott and Mykland voting nay. The motion was declared adopted.

Council Member Stenger read a statement into the record as follows:

"As to the Tacoma Public Library's "contingency" budget for 1988, RCW 27.12.310 has state law supersede any municipal charter provisions. RCW 27.12.240 states that "the Board of Trustees shall have the exclusive control of expenditures for library purposes." Therefore, it is my understanding that it is at the Tacoma Public Library Board of Trustees' discretion to appropriate the "contingency" or supplemental budget when and where they feel appropriate. It is their responsibility and not the City Council's, or the City Council staff, once the City Council appropriates these funds. It is just like any General Fund department which the Council appropriates a set sum, leaving it to the discretion of staff to rearrange those monies within the budget. If this were not my understanding, I would be offering a motion to allow the Library Board of Trustees such powers."

Council Members McElliott, Mykland, and Warnick made comments regarding the proposed budget allocations.

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Mayor Sutherland moved to accept the December 17, 1987 letter from the Public Works Department regarding the status of the CIP projects and the staff recommendations provided to Council. Seconded by Council Member Warrnick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Mayor Sutherland clarified for the City Manager the purpose and intent of the preceding motion.

Mayor Sutherland moved to amend Substitute Ordinance No. 24000, page 1, as follows:

Amend Fund 0010 General Fund to read "\$83,821,943."

Amend Fund 0618 Miscellaneous Trust Summary Fund to read "\$379,583."

On page 2 as follows:

Amend Fund 4180 Tacoma Dome Operating Fund to read "\$6,291,117."

Amend Fund 4500 Belt Line Utility Fund to read "\$4,766,012."

Amend Fund 4600 Water Fund to read "\$21,435,920."

Amend Fund 4700 Light Fund to read "\$174,836,012."

Amend Fund 4750 Fleet Service Fund to read "\$3,676,068."

Amend Fund 5800 Data Processing Intragovernmental Service Fund to read "\$4,355,161."

The total 1988 Budget is to read: \$453,619,130.

Seconded by Council Member Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Roll call vote was taken on the Substitute Ordinance, as amended, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Hyde, McElliott, Moss, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Stenger, Warrnick, and Mayor Sutherland.

Nays: 1 - Mykland.

The Substitute Ordinance, as amended, was declared passed.

Mayor Sutherland moved to suspend the rules to consider Citizens' Request to be Heard. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rasmussen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

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CITIZEN'S REQUEST TO BE HEARD: (Began at 5:55 p.m.)

Alan J. Burrows requesting to speak regarding sanitation.

Mr. Burrows, 5710 Pacific Avenue, spoke regarding his concerns over sanitation problems in his neighborhood.

Ordinance No. 24001

Authorizing a temporary interest bearing loan from the UDAG Grant Trust Fund to the Union Station Renovation Fund in the amount of \$100,000.00; appropriating said sum from the Union Station Renovation Fund for the renovation work on the Tacoma Union Station; and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Hyde, McElliott, Moss, Mykland, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Stenger, Harnick, and Mayor Sutherland.

Nays: 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 24002

Transferring \$3,000.00 from the General Fund to the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund; appropriating said sum from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund for Phase II of the City of Tacoma Solar Access Project; authorizing the execution of a Consultant Service with Benkendorf Associates for such purpose; and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 24003

Extending the bus pass subsidy program for the period of January 1, 1988 through December 31, 1988.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

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Ordinance No. 24004

Amending the Pay and Compensation Plan to implement 1987 and 1988 rates of pay for Tacoma Dome employees in accordance with collective bargaining agreements with Teamsters Local 599; and creating a new classification for the Light Division Thermal Plan and Resource Development functions.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 24005

Appropriating \$17,050.00 from the Public Works Revolving Fund for the purchase of asphalt materials during 1987; and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 24006

Transferring \$44,000.00 from the General Fund to the Airport Fund; appropriating \$44,000.00 from the Airport Fund for unanticipated expenditures for the completion of the Airport Apron and the overrun of miscellaneous office expense charges relating to the Airport; and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 24007

Amending Section 1.36.020 of the Official Code relative to late payment charges on obligations owed to the City of Tacoma.

Speaking to the Council was:

Melvin McKinney

Retired City Employee

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 29847 (Continued from the meeting of December 1, 1987.)

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Metropolitan Park District for implementation of the "Celebrate Animals" conservation and recycling program.

Council Member Hyde moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Mykland.

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Speaking to the Council was:

Cheryl Miller

3303 North 36th Street

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

Purchase Resolution No. 29855

Awarding contracts to:

1. MBA Computer Services, in the amount of \$315.85, Photo and Sound Company, in the amount of \$509.15, Egghead Discount Software, in the amount of \$1,742.05 and Computerland in the amount of \$9,922.99 for a local area network - Informal Bid No. 007146;
2. Hovermarine International, Ltd. in the amount of \$18,000.00 to increase their contract for fireboat parts - Purchase Order No. 16863;
3. Potential Inc., on their bid of \$75,300.00 for Tacoma Dome Advertising - Specification No. G-091-87;
4. Lynnwood Dodge, Inc., on their bid of \$105,793.14 for thirteen (13) unmarked police vehicles - Washington State Contract No. 305A-87;
5. Hoffcon, Inc., on their bid of \$48,471.13 for site improvements on South 17th Street and Jefferson Avenue - Specification No. G-281-87;
6. Wade Perrow Construction Inc., on their bid of \$19,161.45 for Central Stores Interior Remodel - Specification No. G-268-87;
7. Del-Mar Construction Company on their bid of \$18,101.20 for Tacoma Dome concession rough-in plumbing - Specification No. G-289-87;
8. U.S. Oil & Refining Company on their bid of \$213,075.32 for annual supply of asphalt material - Washington State Contract No. 135-87;
9. George Scofield Company Inc., in the amount of \$15,000.00 to increase their contract for concrete products - Purchase Order No. 17756;
10. Jones Chemicals on their bid of \$75,431.25 for chlorine gas supply - Specification No. 1426-W;
11. Griffin/Galbraith Fuel Company in the amount of \$7,076.16 to increase their contract for heating fuel - Specification No. G-096-86;
12. Konica Royal Business Machines, Inc., in the amount of \$43,500.00 to increase and extend maintenance and supply agreement for Royal copiers - Single Source;
13. Schneider-Simpson Sheet Metal and Blower Company in the amount of \$7,000.00 to increase their contract for sheet metal fabrication - Purchase Order No. 16870;
14. Hardware Distributing Company in the amount of \$3,000.00 to increase their contract for hardware and tool supplies - Purchase Order No. 16861;
15. Rejecting all bids submitted for architectural barrier removal at Alling Park - Specification No. G-109-87;
16. Rejecting all bids submitted for the landfill gas collection system - Expansion No. 1 - Specification No. G-269-87; and
17. Rejecting all bids submitted for the installation of energy conservation measures in the American Legion Building and Telecommunications Inc., Building - Specification No. G-100-87.

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Mayor Sutherland moved that the Purchase Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Mykland.

Mayor Sutherland moved to waive the formal bidding procedures on Purchase Item 12. Seconded by Council Member Moss. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

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

Resolution No. 29856

Approving the release of an easement for overhead powerlines in the vicinity of Gravelly Lake Drive and Hildare Road.

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

Resolution No. 29857

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Tacoma-Pierce County Chapter of the American Red Cross Nutrition Program in the amount of \$80,000.00 to provide hot meals five days a week to senior citizens at Tacoma mealsites and to homebound senior citizens.

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

Resolution No. 29858

Providing for rate adjustments for unrepresented employees retroactively to January 1, 1988.

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

Resolution No. 29859

Authorizing the execution of an agreement in the amount of \$440,000.00 with Northwest Cascade, Inc. to haul and dispose of sludge for the North End Treatment Plant.

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

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Resolution No. 29860

Authorizing the execution of a Memorandum of Agreement with Warehouse, Automotive, Food, Public Employees, Driver Sales & Special Services Union Local 599 effective January 1, 1987 through December 31, 1989.

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

Resolution No. 29861

Authorizing the Board of Administration of the Tacoma Employees' Retirement System to execute agreements with the Frank Russell Trust Company (two contracts), Denver Investment Advisors, Inc., Security Capital Real Estate Corporation, The Northern Trust Company, and Scudder, Stevens and Clark for investment counseling services; and further authorizing the execution of an agreement with Milliman and Robertson, Inc. for actuarial consultation services from January 1, 1988 through December 31, 1988.

Mayor Sutherland moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rasmussen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 29862

Authorizing the extension of an Option Agreement with Burlington Northern Railroad Company for the purchase of the Union Station Property.

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

Resolution No. 29863

Authorizing the execution of an amendatory agreement with Deloitte, Haskins & Sells for \$15,000.00 for the provision of professional services relative to the restructuring of the UDAG loan on the Sheraton Tacoma Hotel.

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

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL:

Mayor Sutherland thanked all members of the Council for their efforts in putting together the 1988 budget.

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Mayor Sutherland wished all members of the Council, staff, and the public a Merry Christmas.

Mayor Sutherland moved to recess to Executive Session to discuss litigation and personnel matters, the session not to exceed 1 hour. Seconded by Council Member Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Council recessed to Executive Session at 6:40 p.m.

At approximately 7:40 p.m., Mayor Sutherland re-entered the Council Chambers and stated that the Executive Session would continue for an additional 20 minutes.

Council reconvened at 7:53 p.m.

Erling O. Mork, City Manager, requested a residency waiver for Ray Fjetland, effective February 14, 1988, for the position of Tacoma Police Chief.

Mayor Sutherland moved to grant the residency waiver as requested. Seconded by Council Member Stenger. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.


DOUG SUTHERLAND, MAYOR

ATTEST: 
GENELLE BIRK, CITY CLERK

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