



City Council Minutes

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

February 17, 1998

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 p.m.

Present on roll call: 7 - Baarsma, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Phelps, and Mayor Ebersole. Absent: 2 - Crowley and Silas. (Council Member Crowley arrived at 5:12 p.m.)

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member McGavick.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Tacoma City Council study session minutes of February 3 and 10, 1998.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 33959

Setting Tuesday, March 31, 1998, at 1:30 p.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner, on the request to vacate a portion of North Cascade Avenue between North 10th and 13th Streets. (Hugh Askren; File No. 124.1066)

Resolution No. 33960

Approving the final plat for POINT WOODWORTH - PHASE I, located west of Norpoint Way Northeast and east of Marine View Drive, a 144-lot subdivision. (Woodworth and Co., Inc.; File No. PLT97-00020)

Resolution No. 33961 will be considered at the regular City Council meeting of February 24, 1998.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 26186

Vacating a portion of East 11th Street, between Alexander Avenue and the Blair Waterway, exclusive of that portion previously vacated, to combine the vacated right-of-way with the abutting property for construction of Port-related industrial facilities. (Port of Tacoma; File No. 124.1060)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Phelps, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Silas

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26198

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Washington State National Guard, in the amount of \$2,360, for reimbursement of emergency management planning expenses; accepting, depositing in and appropriating \$2,360 from the General Fund for said purpose.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Phelps, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Silas

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26199

Accepting a total of \$16,000 from Work/Family Directions Inc., Ceridian Performance Partners, and members of the Washington State Child Care Resource and Referral Network; accepting \$35,000 from various Pierce County employers; depositing in and

appropriating \$51,000 from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund; and authorizing the execution of agreements with said entities for child care resource, referral and training services.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Phelps, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Silas

Abstaining: 1 – Miller

The Ordinance was declared passed.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 26200

Accepting \$15,000 from the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services; depositing in and appropriating said sum from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund for the operation and expansion of a family child care training and mentorship project.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

RESOLUTIONS

Purchase Resolution No. 33962

Awarding contracts to:

1. Polydyne, Inc., in the amount of \$51,900, for the continued purchase of dry polymer to be used at the Central Wastewater Treatment Plant - Specification No. G-062-95;
2. General Electric Distribution and Control Company, in the amount of \$106,050, to extend and increase their contract for cobrahead luminaires to upgrade the residential streetlighting in South Tacoma - Specification No. G-021-97;
3. W. W. Grainger, Inc., in the amount of \$75,000, for continued purchase of hardware and related supplies - Open Purchase Order No. 4020;

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4. Lucent Technologies, Inc., in the amount of \$35,000, to increase their contract for a Lucent Definity Prologix Solution Telephone Extension for the Fire Training Center located at 2124 Marshall Avenue - Purchase Order No. 24843; and
5. BBC Dodge, on its bid of \$71,151.25; Bud Clary Chevrolet/Jeep/Eagle, on its bid of \$139,627.12; Dwayne Lane GMC Truck Center, on its bid of \$24,238.07; Gilchrist Chevrolet, on its bid of \$22,733.01; Sound Ford, on its bid of \$16,443.42; and Wendle Ford Sales, on its bid of \$21,975.25; for replacement vehicles - Washington State Contract Nos. 98197, 98297, 98597, 98697, and 98897.

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

Resolution No. 33963

Authorizing the submittal of a grant application to the State of Washington, Office of Crime Victims Advocacy, in the amount of \$7,823.40, for a Volunteer Coordinator to assist victims of domestic violence with cases pending in Municipal Court.

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

Speaking before the Council was:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Phyllis Barrett	912 South Cushman

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

Resolution No. 33964

Authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with John A. Solomon for the rehabilitation of permanent, market-rate, multi-family housing, located at 601-607 South Pine Street.

Council Member Miller moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried, with Council Member De Forrest voting in opposition. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 33965

Amending the Community Development Block Grant program to reallocate \$27,000 from the Contingency Fund; and \$83,000 from the Fire Sprinkler Loan Fund to the Hilltop Homeownership Development Center Program for homeownership opportunities for low-income families.

Council Member Phelps moved to continue Resolution No. 33965 to the meeting of February 24, 1998. Seconded by Council Member Miller. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

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Resolution No. 33965 will be considered at the regular City Council meeting of February 24, 1998.

Resolution No. 33966

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Tacoma-Pierce County Small Business Incubator, in the amount of \$58,000, for the operation of the East Tacoma Home and Industry Council's Eastside Homeownership Program.

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

Resolution No. 33967

Authorizing the execution of an Operation/Use Agreement with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Pierce County, in the amount of \$207,000 of Community Development Block Grant funds, for renovation of the Al Davies and the East Side Boys & Girls Clubs, in accordance with the 23rd Year Community Development Block Grant Program.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER

City Manager Ray E. Corpuz Jr. requested an Executive Session to discuss pending litigation, not to exceed 20 minutes.

Mr. Corpuz then requested consideration of two residency waivers. He stated that the first residency waiver is for the Finance Department and the second residency waiver is for the Legal Department. He stated that Director of Finance Peter Luttrupp, City Attorney Robin Jenkinson, and Acting Human Resources Director Andy Michels, are available to answer questions.

Council Member Miller moved to authorize the City Manager to grant a six-month residency waiver for Ms. Maggie Coleman to fill the Financial Supervisor position located in the Finance Department, and a two-month residency waiver for Ms. Sohee Ahn to fill the Assistant City Attorney position in the Legal Department's Criminal Justice Division. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Crowley.

Council Member De Forrest requested that the motion be divided to allow the City Council to vote on each residency waiver separately.

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Mayor Ebersole stated that the motion before the City Council is a six-month residency waiver requested for Ms. Maggie Coleman to fill the Financial Supervisor position. Voice vote was taken and carried with Council Member De Forrest voting in opposition. The motion was declared adopted.

Mayor Ebersole then stated that the motion before the City Council is a two-month residency waiver for Ms. Sohee Ahn to fill the Assistant City Attorney position in the Legal Department's Criminal Justice Division. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL

Council Member Miller moved to excuse Council Member Silas from tonight's meeting. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Council Member Miller requested information regarding the approval process that took place for the construction at Truman Middle School.

Council Member Kirby stated that he had e-mailed the Public Works Department expressing some of the concerns he has received from citizens regarding the new garbage and recycling program. He stated that he has not yet received a reply to his concerns. He stated that one of his concerns is, that when the new garbage and recycling program is in place, will citizens be able to put their garbage cans and recycling bins out together, either in the front of the house or in the alley. Council Member Kirby stated that, currently, in his neighborhood citizens place the recycling bins out in the front of the houses and the garbage cans out in the alley. He also expressed concerns about getting the large recycling containers down stairs to the curbside.

Council Member De Forrest stated that he appreciated the response to his questions on crosswalk violations. He stated that his question last week was how many citations have been given out for crosswalk violations. He stated that the memorandum he received stated that 30,000 citations were given out last year. He stated that he suspects that this number is for all violations. Council Member De Forrest stated that he would like to know how many citations have been given out just for crosswalk violations.

Council Member De Forrest then stated that the City Council received a letter from the Central Labor Council Executive Board regarding the "Top of the Ocean" issue. He stated that he has read the purchase agreement regarding the "Top of the Ocean" property and he thought Section 4.7B which states: "The work shall be performed in good workmanlike manner and in compliance with all applicable laws, ordinances, rules

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and regulations." may apply to the prevailing wage issue. Council Member De Forrest then stated that the City of Tacoma also entered into an amendment to the agreement regarding the "Top of the Ocean" property which eliminated the Performance Bond and allowed that money to be used to upgrade the sprinkler system. He stated that he felt this was a substantial change to the agreement and not just a housekeeping change and should have been approved by the City Council.

Council Member Phelps stated that the International Services Development Zone Legislation, before the Legislature in Olympia, did get passed by the Senate and is now waiting action by the House of Representatives. He stated that many people in the community, including the Empowerment Consortium, have been working on this legislation for three years. He stated that this was positive news.

Mayor Ebersole announced that tomorrow night the World Trade Center is having their 1998 Globe Awards and that the guest speaker will be former Secretary of Defense, Caspar Weinberger, and the mistress of ceremonies will be First Lady of the State Mona Lee Locke.

Mayor Ebersole stated that this weekend the City of Tacoma will host 10,000 extra people who will be in town celebrating the Wintergrass Annual Bluegrass Festival.

Mayor Ebersole then announced that on Thursday, February 19, at 5:30 p.m., in the City Council Chambers, a live television show, "CityLine," will feature a debate regarding the Tacoma Narrows Bridge issue. Mayor Ebersole stated that this is an opportunity for citizens to express their concerns and give their input.

Mayor Ebersole stated that on Friday, February 20, 1998, Senator Patty Murray and Congressman Norm Dicks will be conducting an economic forum at the Landmarks Convention Center from 8:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. He then invited the public to attend.

Mayor Ebersole announced that on Monday, February 23, 1998, there will be a welcoming reception for Ms. Betsy Brenner, the new publisher of *The News Tribune*, which will be held at the University of Washington Tacoma campus at 5:00 p.m.

Mayor Ebersole announced that on Wednesday, February 25, 1998, the City of Tacoma will host a reception for newly elected Seattle Mayor Paul Schell at 4:30 p.m. He then stated that there are many good things happening in our community.

Mayor Ebersole then noted that the Administrative Secretary for the Mayor and City Council, Vicki Chasco, has accepted a new position with the City of University Place. He stated that Vicki has done a great job in the short time she has been with the City of Tacoma. He stated that she is a very competent and dedicated person and that she will be missed. He stated that Friday, February 20, 1998, will be her last day working for the City of Tacoma.

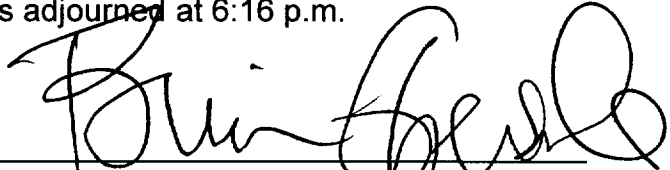
Council Member Baarsma moved to convene to Executive Session to discuss pending litigation, for a period of time not to exceed 20 minutes. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Crowley. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

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The City Council convened to Executive Session at 6:05 p.m. and reconvened at 6:16 p.m.

Council Member Miller moved that the City of Tacoma accept the settlement of \$538,000 negotiated by the Legal Department in the matter of Darrell E. Coleman v. City of Tacoma, et al. Seconded by Council Member Baarsma. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:16 p.m.



BRIAN EBERSOLE, MAYOR

ATTEST: 

RICK ROSENBLADT, CITY CLERK