



City Council Minutes

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

April 2, 2002

The meeting was called to order at 5:06 p.m.

Present on roll call: 9 – Evans, Ladenburg, Lonergan, McGavick, Miller, Moss, Phelps, Talbert, and Mayor Baarsma.

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member Lonergan.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the City Council study session of March 19, 2002.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 35478

Setting Monday, April 22, 2002, at 5:00 p.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on LID No. 8637 for the construction of permanent pavement with necessary storm drainage on A Street from South 28th Street north approximately 210 feet.

Resolution No. 35479

Approving the final plat for MULLEN PLACE, an 11-lot subdivision, located west of South Mullen Street between South 10th and South 11th Streets. (Pacific Northwest Equities LLC; File No. PLT-2002-00003)

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- a. Minutes of the Committee of the Whole, March 19, 2002.
- b. Minutes of the Human Rights Commission, January 17 and February 21, 2002.
- c. Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, February 27, 2002.

- d. Minutes of the Tacoma Area Task Force on Disabilities, February 28, 2002.
- e. Minutes of the Tacoma Public Library Board of Trustees, January 16 and February 20, 2002.

Deputy Mayor McGavick moved that the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 35478 and 35479, be approved. Seconded by Council Member Miller. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 35478 and 35479, was declared approved.

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Baarsma proclaimed April 2002 to be "Child Abuse Prevention Month" and presented the proclamation to Captain Mark Langford, Tacoma Police Department.

Mayor Baarsma proclaimed April 3, 2002 to be "Safe Homes Prevention Blitz Day" and presented the proclamation to Mr. J. D. Fripp, Executive Director of Safe Homes.

Mayor Baarsma proclaimed April 3, 2002 to be "National Kick Butts Day" and presented the proclamation to Ms. Kelly Selby, Director of Young Filmmakers.

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

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 26596

Vacating portions of Oregon and Idaho Avenues north of South 37th Street for construction of the COSTCO store. (Grover G. Pettibon; File No. 124.1110)

Deputy Mayor McGavick moved to remove Ordinance No. 26596 from the Agenda, per the request of staff. Seconded by Council Member Miller. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ordinance No. 26596 was removed from the Agenda.

Ordinance No. 26769

Vacating a 4-foot by 450-foot portion of Dock Street right-of-way south of South 18th Street to ensure all improvements constructed are within the International Glass Museum site. (City of Tacoma; File No. 124.1135)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

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

Nays: 0

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The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26878

Vacating a portion of North Mildred Street right-of-way south of Parkside Lane to consolidate the property with the abutting yard area for landscaping. (Gary Leach and Diana Leach; File No. 124.1151)

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.

Ordinance No. 26880

Vacating the east 10 feet of South G Street right-of-way extending 468 feet north of South 25th Street, for the construction of storage space and off-street parking. (William B. Swensen; File No. 124.1153)

Deputy Mayor McGavick moved to suspend the rules to consider Substitute Ordinance No. 26880. Seconded by Council Member Miller. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

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

Nays: 0

The Substitute Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26937

Vacating an alley right-of-way located between 4310 and 4130 South Adams Street to incorporate the right-of-way with the abutting property for the expansion of the existing business, eliminate illegal dumping of debris and access to the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad right-of-way. (Teodoro Properties, LLC; File No. 124.1156)

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.

Ordinance No. 26940

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Washington State Arts Commission, in the amount of \$9,000; depositing in and appropriating said sum from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund in support of the Tacoma Art Commission.

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. 26941

Vacating South L Street between Division Avenue and a point 50 feet south of South 4th Street, and the alley between South L and South M Streets, from Division Avenue to South 4th Street, to expand facilities for specialized pediatric outpatient care. (Multicare Health System; File No. 124.1157)

Deputy Mayor McGavick moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner. Seconded by Council Member Miller. 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. 26942

Vacating the west 20 feet of White Street north of North 31st Street to the alley between North 31st and North 32nd Streets to provide additional space for parking and landscaping and to allow the home to be placed farther away from the abutting street. (Arthur Broback; File No. 124.1159)

Deputy Mayor McGavick moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner. Seconded by Council Member Miller. 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. 26943

Authorizing the execution of a modification of a grant award contract with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, in the amount of \$28,350; accepting, depositing in, and appropriating said sum from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund for processing and resolving employment discrimination charges and for training.

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Speaking before Council was:

Name	Address/Affiliation
Allen Douglas	612 South 18 th Street, Apt. 5

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 26944

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Tacoma Housing Authority, in the amount of \$5,000; accepting, depositing in and appropriating said sum from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund for a neighborhood-based cleanup project within the Upper Tacoma area; and amending the Biennial Budget for 2001-2002.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

RESOLUTIONS

Purchase Resolution No. 35480

Awarding contracts to:

1. Diamaco, Incorporated, in the amount of \$177,811.98, to increase its contract for railroad trestle repairs in East Lewis County – Specification No. G-213-99; and
2. Looker & Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$102,142.27, for residential street improvement and sanitary sewer extension – LID Nos. 8625 and 3960 – Specification No. G-205-01.

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

Resolution No. 35481

Adopting the 2002 Standard Specifications for Road, Bridge and Municipal Construction; the 2002 City of Tacoma amendments to the Standard Specifications; and repealing the 2000 Standard Specifications and the City of Tacoma amendments to said Standard Specifications.

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

Resolution No. 35482

Amending Rule 5 of the “Rules of Procedure of the Council of the City of Tacoma” to allow the inclusion of resolutions authorizing submittal of grant applications under the Consent Agenda.

Pursuant to Council Rules, Resolution No. 35482 was set over for second reading next week.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER

City Manager Ray E. Corpuz, Jr. stated there will be several public hearings and department meetings with the public throughout April regarding the establishment of new neighborhood police substations. He stated the first meeting would be in the Central and North End areas on April 10; the South End on April 18; and Northeast Tacoma on April 24. He stated more specific information can be obtained through the City Manager's Office or the Police Department.

City Manager Corpuz acknowledged employees who participated in a budget suggestion process. He stated awards were given to Benjii Bittle, Tacoma Economic Development Department; Susan Kunkel, Finance Department; and Bill Smith, Earl Welander, and Craig Francis, Public Works Department.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL

Council Member Talbert stated he represented the City last Saturday at the dedication of the new Stewart Heights skate park. He stated it was a good example of partnership amongst Metro Parks, the City of Tacoma and the East Side Neighborhood Council. He then stated a hearing impaired Mt. Tahoma student watches the Council meetings, which are not close captioned, and that upwards of 10 percent of our population have some form of hearing disability. He asked the City Manager to work with TV Tacoma and other agencies to see if there is funding to make the City Council meetings available to the hearing impaired.

Council Member Lonergan stated Richard Meuschke, Environmental Services, Public Works Department, has received an award for saving the City over \$50,000 in methods used at the Steam Plant. He then stated Carol Bellinger, Asset Management, has left the City to join her husband in Chicago, Illinois; and that Jim Coker, Public Works, has retired after 35 years with the City. Council Member Lonergan thanked City employees for buying Easter baskets which were sent to family shelters. Council Member Lonergan stated there will be a free lunch this Thursday, April 4, 2002, at 1:30 p.m., at the New Life Square Building, Tacoma Rescue Mission, 425 South Tacoma Way, for the graduation of nine men and women from the New Life Program.

Mayor Baarsma reported on his visit to our Sister City of Taichung, Taiwan. He stated there was a 6.8 earthquake on Sunday while he was there. Mayor Baarsma expressed his appreciation to Jimmy Chen and Bobby Chen for sponsoring his trip; Lihung Wung for translating; Debra King for briefing him; and Claire Petrich, Chair of the Sister City Committee of Taichung. He stated Taichung is a port city of 900,000, which prides itself as being known as the "City of Culture." He stated Taichung has a Mayor/Council form of government with 46 council members and that it has partisan elections. He stated he met with Jason Hu, who was educated at Oxford, can speak numerous languages, was a professor of international relations, the country's foreign minister and is currently the Mayor. He stated Taichung is being considered as the new site for the capitol. He stated Charlie Chung, a representative from Taichung, will be visiting with us for six months. Mayor Baarsma stated he also visited Tunghai University which is a private school of 15,000 students.

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Mayor Baarsma introduced Representative Mike Carrell, 28th Legislative District, who urged more coordination with other cities and the county on issues which affect cross jurisdictions.

CITIZENS' FORUM

Citizens' Forum began at 6:09 p.m.


Speaking before the Council were:

Name	Address/Affiliation	Topic
John Bankston	President, Hubzone Contractors Association	HOPE VI Salishan Grant
Allen Douglas	612 So. 18 th St., Apt. 5	Unity of country
Donna Bankston	2500 Block of So. J St.	Notification process for sexual offenders; Letter from agency containing racial remarks
Phyllis Barrett	912 So. Cushman Ave.	Performance audit
Jack Pleasant	2540 So. I St.	Number of high-risk operations located in specific area
Kelly Selby	Young Filmmakers	Kick Butts Day (stop smoking)
Darrius Washington	Lincoln High School	Kick Butts Day (stop smoking)
Tim Thaden	619 No. Proctor St.	Hell's Kitchen; zoning on Sixth Avenue
Kit Clinton	2301 Tacoma Ave. So.; Clinton's Music House	Need for police substation
Deb Josephson	3838 No. 7 th St.	Hell's Kitchen; zoning on Sixth Avenue

Citizens' Forum closed at 6:49 p.m.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.


 WILLIAM H. BAARSMA, MAYOR

ATTEST: 
 DORIS SORUM, CITY CLERK