

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
January 13, 1981

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 p.m. by Deputy Mayor Nielsen.

Present on roll call: 8 - Bichsel, Hawkins, Hyde, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Strege and Sutherland. Absent: 1 - Mayor Parker. Mayor Parker arrived at 5:12 p.m.

The Flag Salute was led by Deputy Mayor Nielsen.

Deputy Mayor Nielsen announced that in lieu of the silent prayer he would ask the Tacoma Civic Arts Commission to present an artist in residence. Greg Geissler, Civic Arts Commission Director, introduced Donnie Ray Albert, bass baritone, who is appearing in Tacoma through the Cheney Foundation Affiliation Artist Series. Mr. Albert sang two songs for Council and the audience.

Mayor Parker arrived at 5:12 p.m.

CITIZEN AWARDS:

Mayor Parker presented Lifesaving Awards to the following employees of Martinac Shipbuilding Corp. who, without regard to their own personal safety, on December 5, 1980 rescued Mary Moore, O. C. Moore and Devin Moore, from the depths of the city waterway after their car plunged off the 15th Street Bridge into the water: Edward I. Nielson, Chris K. Cassidy, Timothy L. Cowdell, Bernard F. Resop, Robert Noel, Jerry W. Gibson and L. Dean Firkins (Firkins was absent from the presentation).

C O N S E N T A G E N D A

Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of January 6, 1981.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 26794

Setting Tuesday, January 27, 1981, at 6:00 p.m., as the date for public hearing on the 7th Year Community Development Block Grant Application.

APPEAL:

Peace Assembly Church appealing the Hearings Examiner's decision to deny their request for a Special Use Permit in order to operate an educational institution located at the southeast corner of North 24th and Warner Streets.

Setting Tuesday, January 27, 1981 at 6:00 p.m., as the date for hearing.

ASSESSMENT ROLLS:

The Directors of Public Utilities and Public Works present Assessment Rolls for the following:

L.I.D. 5595, constructing water mains in East "E" Street from East 88th Street to East 91st Street and East 91st Street and East 88th Street from East "D" Street to East "E" Street.

L.I.D. 5598, constructing water mains in Sprague Avenue from South 60th Street to South 64th Street.

L.I.D. 6955, constructing street lights on East "D" Street from East 72nd Street to 600 feet south of East 75th Street.

Fixing Monday, February 9, 1981 at 5:00 p.m. as the date for hearing by the Hearings Examiner.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of the study session of the Tacoma Human Relations Commission, December 4, 1980.
- b. Minutes of the meeting of the Tacoma Planning Commission, December 1, 1980.
- c. Minutes of the meeting of the LESA Executive Board, December 23, 1980.
- d. Report of the Director of Finance, November, 1980.

Councilwoman Bichsel moved that the Consent Agenda be approved. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda was declared approved. (Later in the Council meeting the Consent Agenda was amended. Date for hearing the appeal of Peace Assembly Church was changed to February 3, 1981).

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

COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. Hearings Examiner recommending amendment of condition 5c to site plan for Rezone Request No. 120.946 for the property located on the southwest corner of South 47th and Lawrence Streets. (J. David Page)

Deputy Mayor Nielsen moved to concur in the recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Councilman Sutherland. Voice vote was taken and carried.

- b. City Land Use Administrator transmitting the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order, submitted by the Washington State Shorelines Hearings Board regarding Permit No. 141,222 of William L. Hanson and O'Neill Blacker, and recommending the matter be referred to the Hearings Examiner for further consideration consistent with the Board's order.

Mayor Parker moved that the matter be referred to the Hearings Examiner as directed. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

- c. Hearings Examiner advising that an extension until January 29, 1982 is recommended for filing of the preliminary plat for St. John's Wood, File No. 125,211.

Mayor Parker advised that this is informational only and no action is required.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Substitute Ordinance No. 22258 (Continued from the meeting of January 6, 1981)

Authorizing execution of a grant award contract with the Pacific Northwest Regional Commission for \$100,000.00; appropriating \$100,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund to retain consultant services to undertake a feasibility study for a high speed surface transit system for the Tacoma-Seattle corridor.

Mayor Parker moved to consider Substitute Ordinance No. 3. Seconded by Councilwoman Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 1 - Mayor Parker.

Nays: 8 - Bichsel, Hawkins, Hyde, Kirby, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Strege and Sutherland.

Substitute Ordinance No. 3 was declared failed.

Ordinance No. 22290

Authorizing the acceptance and sale of fifteen shares of St. Regis Paper Company stock, to be utilized for the Pantages Center for the Performing Arts.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Hawkins, Hyde, Kirby, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Strege, Sutherland and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 22291

Authorizing execution of a grant award contract with the Washington State Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation in the amount of \$30,000; and appropriating the sum of \$30,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the Summary Grants Fund for the purpose of a feasibility study for development of an off-road vehicle park.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Hawkins, Hyde, Kirby, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Strege, Sutherland and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 22292

Amending the Equipment Rental rate schedule to reflect 1981 rates.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Hawkins, Hyde, Kirby, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Strege, Sutherland and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 22293

Appropriating the sum of \$4,115, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the Library Fund, for the purpose of replacing certain computer equipment lost through theft at the Kobetich Memorial Branch Library.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 22294

Authorizing execution of an agreement with the Metropolitan Park District for maintenance of Heidelberg Park, Peck Field, and the South End Recreation Area and appropriating \$64,680, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the General Fund for the purpose of meeting costs of the maintenance services, and declaring an emergency, making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 22296

Amending Sections 1.06.100, 1.06.400 and 1.06.740 of the Official Code relative to transferring the Risk Management/Insurance Programs to the Personnel Department and Property Management to the Public Works Department from the City Clerk/General Services Department.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

RESOLUTIONS:

Purchase Resolution No. 26795

Awarding Contracts to:

1. Northwest Envelope Co. on its bid of \$4,744.78 for annual supply of office envelopes - Spec. G-162-80;
2. Lige Dickson Co. on its bid of \$92,174.30 for asphalt concrete paving - Spec. G-118-80;
3. W. H. Buzzell Construction on its bid of \$12,004.73 for home roof repairs - Spec. G-166-80;
4. Jones & Roberts Co. on its bid of \$4,015,000.00 for Medical Arts Building remodeling, Phase III - Spec. G-158-80; and
5. Manus Services Corp. on its bid of \$16,360.00 for computer support system lease.

Deputy Mayor Nielsen moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Councilwoman Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Mayor Parker moved to reconsider the Consent Agenda for the purpose of reconsidering the hearing date set for the Peace Assembly Church appeal. Seconded by Councilman Sutherland. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mayor Parker advised that the attorney representing Peace Assembly Church is asking that the hearing date on the appeal be changed as he will be out of town on January 27. Mayor Parker then moved to change the date for hearing the appeal to February 3, 1981. Seconded by Councilman Sutherland. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mayor Parker moved that the Consent Agenda, as amended, be approved. Seconded by Councilman Sutherland. Voice vote was taken and carried.

HEARINGS AND APPEALS: (At approximately 6:00 p.m.)

This is the date set for hearing Norpoint Area Boosters appeal on the Hearings Examiner's decision relative to reclassification from an "R-1" and "R-2" to an R-1 PRD," in an area located in the vicinity of Browns Point Boulevard and Silver Bow Road, site plan and preliminary plat for proposed development of Harbor Ridge Estates.

Gary Sullivan, Hearings Examiner, reviewed the hearings held, his findings and his recommendation regarding the request for the proposed development.

Dr. Jim Davidson, Jr., representing the Norpoint Boosters, reviewed the reasons for objecting to the proposed development and asked that Council not approve the development as recommended by the Hearings Examiner.

Thomas L. Fishburne, attorney representing the applicants, Block Bros., reviewed their proposal for the requested reclassification and site plan and urged that Council concur with the recommendation of the Hearings Examiner.

After presentation by both sides, Deputy Mayor Nielsen moved that the appeal be denied and that the Council concur in the findings, conclusions and recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Councilwoman Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Councilman Sutherland asked that a discussion relating to the Appearance of Fairness Doctrine and Conflict of Interest be scheduled for the February 10 Study Session.

Councilman Kirby reported that the formation of a task force to deal with the problem of drug abuse in the City of Tacoma was discussed at the most recent meeting of the Joint Municipal Action Committee. He referred to a letter to Council from School Board member Betty Drost and himself which outlined what they would like to see done by the task force and a proposal for task force membership, which is as follows:

Two representatives from the schools; two from the City (Police Department and City Manager's staff or designee); one from the Prosecutor's Office; one from the Health Department; two citizens at large (one from PTSA and one citizen designated by the City Council); one from the Drug Treatment Program; one State Senator; and one State Representative.

Target date for a report on the proposal is May 1. Mayor Parker said he hoped that Councilman Kirby would request that the City Manager bring forth an ordinance to accomplish the proposal as outlined.

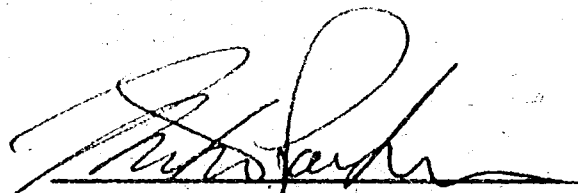
Councilman Strege reported there will be requests for increases in the budgeted amounts for the Community Schools Program at Baker and Stewart schools to facilitate the expansion which Council indicated in study sessions.

Councilman Strege moved that, because of significant service level reductions in the Human Development Department brought about by a need to balance the 1981 Budget and because the revenue/expenditure balances for year-end 1980 won't be known for several weeks, that the layoff of one person in the Human Development Department and one person in the Personnel Department be delayed up to an additional 60 days, or March 15, to provide the Council the opportunity to further consider the availability of funds to continue these two positions. Seconded by Mayor Parker. Voice vote was taken and carried.

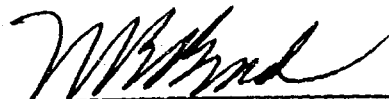
Councilman Rasmussen moved to delete the policy relative to the proposed 1989 Tacoma World's Fair from the City's Legislative Program and have the remaining \$8,000 of the Pacific Northwest Regional Commission's World's Fair grant, which was subcontracted to the Tacoma/Pierce County Chamber of Commerce, used for their proposed feasibility study of an International Trade Fair. Seconded by Mayor Parker. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Councilman Hyde requested that the City Manager look into the feasibility of requesting some current studies that are being done by NOAA on the Port services and fisheries. He said we have an existing fishing pier and a second one proposed, and if there is an opportunity at no cost to the City to get some data on those two localities he would like to see that we move ahead and do that.

On proper motion, the meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.



MIKE PARKER - MAYOR



ATTEST:

H. B. BOND - CITY CLERK