



City Council Minutes

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

July 29, 2003

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m.

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

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member McGavick.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- a. Minutes of the Appointments Committee, June 16, 2003.
- b. Minutes of the Human Rights Commission, June 19, 2003.
- c. Minutes of the Joint Municipal Action Committee, July 18, 2003.
- d. Minutes of the Planning Commission special meeting, June 25 and regular meeting, July 2, 2003.
- e. Minutes of the Public Safety Committee, June 12, 2003.
- f. Report of the Director of Finance, May.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the City Council and Town Hall meetings, June 17, 2003.

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

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Baarsma proclaimed August 1 through 7, 2003, as "World Breastfeeding Week."

REGULAR AGENDA

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 27113 (Continued from the meeting of July 1, 2003)

Amending various sections of Chapter 11.05 of the Municipal Code to expand the boundaries prohibiting skateboarding to include the County-City Building, Tacoma Dome, Link Light Rail, and the Thea Foss Waterway and prohibit the riding of bicycles on the Chihuly Bridge of Glass, Grand Stair, and Plaza connecting the Chihuly Bridge of Glass to the Thea Foss Public Esplanade.

Deputy Mayor Moss moved to continue Ordinance No. 27113 to a date to be determined. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ordinance No. 27113 was continued to a date to be determined.

Ordinance No. 27104

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Municipal Code to reclassify the property located at 4409 North 26th Street, from a "C-1" Commercial District and an "R-2" One-Family Dwelling District to a "T" Transitional District to allow the existing building to be used as a business office. (Leslie Chertok; File No. REZ2002-00005)

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. 27105

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Municipal Code to reclassify two properties located at 1430 South Union Avenue from an "R-2" One-Family Dwelling District to a "T" Transitional District for the development of a 5,560-square-foot, two-story office building with parking. (BriScoken, L.L.C.; File No. REZ2003-00001)

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.

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Ordinance No. 27121

Accepting \$16,116 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to support fire prevention, community risk watch and public education school activities of the Fire Department; and amending the 2003-2004 Biennial Budget.

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. 27122

Accepting \$4,000 from Pierce County; and authorizing the execution of an agreement to provide information and education to child care providers working with children with developmental disabilities.

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. 27123

Accepting \$336,304 from the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) and authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement with DSHS for child care resource and referral services.

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.

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Ordinance No. 27124

Amending Chapter 11.05 of the Municipal Code to allow u-turns at the intersections on Pacific Avenue at South 17th Street for northbound vehicles and South 25th Street for southbound vehicles.

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. 27125

Accepting an additional \$14,885 from the Washington State Military Department, for a total amount of \$32,179, for the emergency management planning and training for Fire Department.

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. 27126

Providing for the formation of Local Improvement District No. 3963, for the construction of sanitary sewers 625 feet west of Alaska Street between South 92nd and South 93rd Streets and east on South 93rd Street approximately 380 feet.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Ladenburg, Lonergan, McGavick, Miller, Moss, Phelps, Talbert, and Mayor Baarsma

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Evans

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 27127

Vacating a portion of East 50th and East E Streets for the construction of 40 single-family homes within the preliminary plat entitled "Timothy Meadows." (MJR Developers, Inc.; File No. 124.1150)

Deputy Mayor Moss moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. 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. 27128

Accepting \$546,921 from the Washington State Department of Transportation for upgrading approximately 20 miles of Train to the Mountain track between Graham and Eatonville.

Speaking before the Council:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Allen Douglass	507 South J Street, Apt. 1-A

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 27129

Establishing an assessment reimbursement area for the proposed extension of Steele Street between South 35th and Idaho Streets; establishing reimbursement assessments and procedures for the collection of said assessments; and amending Chapter 1.23 of the Municipal Code to expand the area of jurisdiction of the Hearing Examiner for such matters.

Speaking before the Council:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Alton McDonald	Resident
Allen Douglass	507 South J Street, Apt. 1-A
Tom Dixon	Attorney
Will Baker	www.pcinsider.com
Tom Pickney	4002 South Tacoma Way

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

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RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 35907 (Continued from the meeting of July 22, 2003)

Authorizing the execution of an amendment to the Operating Agreement with Tacoma Firs Golf Center, LLC, to allow for cost-sharing for construction improvements at the golf center located adjacent to the Tacoma Landfill.

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

Speaking before the Council:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Rick Cvitanich	2808 North 8 th Street
Alton McDonald	Resident
Phyllis Barrett	912 South Cushman
Ian Foraker	3113 44 th Avenue N E
Will Baker	www.pcinsider.com

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

Resolution No. 35911

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with Professional Services Industries, Inc., in the amount of \$125,000, for special inspection services for various infrastructure/facility projects during the 2003-2005 construction seasons.

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

Speaking before the Council:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Alton McDonald	Resident
Allen Douglass	507 South J Street, Apt. 1-A

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

Resolution No. 35912

Authorizing the execution of an amendment to the agreement with Maestri Design, Inc., in the amount of \$57,000, for a cumulative total of \$97,000, to create a retail development strategy.

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

Council Member Lonergan moved to continue Resolution No. 35912 to a date to be determined. Seconded by Mayor Baarsma.

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Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 4 – Evans, Lonergan, Miller, and Mayor Baarsma

Nays: 5 Ladenburg, McGavick, Moss, Phelps, and Talbert

The motion was declared failed.

Speaking before the Council:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Alton McDonald	Resident
Phyllis Barrett	912 South Cushman
Will Baker	www.pcinsider.com

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

Resolution No. 35913

Calling a special meeting of the Appointments Committee to be held on Monday, August 18, 2003, to review letters of interest submitted by citizens wishing to participate on the “For” and “Against” committees, regarding the initiative to amend the City Charter with respect to changing the form of government, which will appear on the November 4, 2003, general election ballot.

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

Speaking before the Council:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Allen Douglass	507 South J Street, Apt. 1-A
Will Baker	www.pcinsider.com
Alton McDonald	Resident

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER

Mr. Walton, City Manager, stated that there was a letter from a citizen in the *Tacoma News Tribune* this morning, which referenced the Alaska Street Arterial Improvement Project that may have concerned the Council. He stated that he provided a copy of the memorandum from Public Works Director William Pugh to the Council.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Baarsma commented on large trucks driving through residential streets. He stated that Mr. Bill Pugh provided a response and indicated the Municipal Code relating to heavy trucks. Mayor Baarsma asked the City Manager for additional language regarding this issue for discussion purposes.

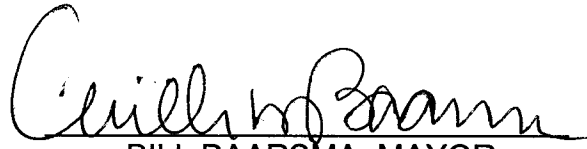
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Mr. Evans commented on civil discourse. He stated that he attended the National Convention of the Sister Cities International, which includes several thousand cities around the world who have coupled together in efforts to create opportunities for peace. He stated that he went to study how other cities have implemented an economic development component in the Sister City relationship.

Council Member Phelps followed up on some previous Council comments by reading items three and four from the Tacoma City Council Rules of Procedure, including non verbal communication.

Mayor Baarsma commented on his visit to the City's airport accompanied by General Services Assistant Director Catherine Mitchell and Deena Turmo, Airport Manager Liaison. He stated that it is a very important City asset. He also paid compliments to Rich Mueller, Airport Supervisor; Ken Cornwall, General Services Engineer; and John Sweeney, Student Pilot. He urged Council to visit the airport.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.


BILL BAARSMAN, MAYOR

ATTEST: 
DORIS SORUM, CITY CLERK

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