

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers  
March 14, 1978

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m.

Present on roll call: 8 - Bichsel, Evans, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker. Absent: 1 - Hudson. Mr. Hudson arrived at 5:25 p.m.

The United States Flag and the Washington State Flag were posted by Rebecca Schultz, Brownie and Dee Dee Wilson, Camp Fire Girl who also led the assembly in the Flag Salute.

The prayer was led by Reverend Alfred Davis, Pastor of Eastside Community Church.

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PROCLAMATIONS:

Mayor Parker proclaimed March 12-18, 1978 as Camp Fire Birthday Week. Mayor Parker was presented with a Camp Fire birthday cake by Camp Fire Girls Terri Scott, Dee Dee Wilson, Lisa Carter and Brenda Lindley.

Mayor Parker designated March 16, 1978 as Youth Services Day in the City of Tacoma.

Mayor Parker proclaimed March 19-25, 1978 as Poison Prevention Week. He also proclaimed March 12-19, 1978 as National DeMolay Week.

Mayor Parker also proclaimed March 18-19, 1978 as "Channel 13 Public Television Days."

Mr. Nielsen said that according to City Code 6.38.050, relating to Dance Hall Hours, the City Council may grant permission for an organization to continue a dance after 2:00 a.m. The Old City Hall has requested permission to hold a dance marathon to benefit Public Broadcasting System Channel 13. The dance will begin at 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, March 19, 1978 and continue for 23 hours until 1:00 a.m., Monday, March 20, 1978. Mr. Nielsen moved that the Council grant permission for such a dance on the dates indicated. Seconded by Mrs. Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried.

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C O N S E N T   A G E N D A

Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of March 7, 1978.

PETITIONS:

- a. Daon Corporation requesting the rezoning of the property located on the northwest corner of the intersection of Pearl Street and North 37th Street from a "C-1" to an "R-2" District.
- b. Bert H. Paul requesting the rezoning of the property located on the south side of North 35th Street approximately 200 feet east of Pearl Street from an "R-2" to an "R-3-PRD" District.

For referral to the Hearings Examiner.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 24901

Setting Monday, April 3, 1978, at 4:00 p.m. as the date for hearing L.I.D. 8197 for permanent pavement on South Fife Street from South 38th to South 42nd Street and in South 42nd from South Pine to South Fife Street.

Resolution No. 24902

Setting Monday, April 3, 1978, at 4:00 p.m. as the date for hearing L.I.D. 3802 for sanitary sewer in South 42nd from South Pine to South Fife Street.

Resolution No. 24903

Setting Monday, April 3, 1978, at 4:00 p.m. as the date for hearing L.I.D. 8216 for permanent pavement on North Washington Street from 6th Avenue to North 7th; North Washington from North 11th to North 12th, and North 25th from North Stevens to North Verde Street.

Resolution No. 24904

Setting Monday, April 10, 1978, at 4:00 p.m. as the date for hearing L.I.D. 5586 for water mains and fire hydrants in Verde Street from South 56th to South 62nd Street and in South 58th Street from Verde to Cheyenne Street.

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ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting of February 22, 1978.
- b. Minutes of the Tacoma Planning Commission meeting of February 22, 1978.
- c. Minutes of the Pierce County Board of Commissioners meetings of March 6, 1978 and March 7, 1978.
- d. Monthly Statistical Report, February-1978, Municipal Court.
- e. Contract with Washington State Energy Office to establish and operate a residential energy audit program, February 2, 1978 to September 30, 1978.
- f. Grantee Performance Report, March-1978, Community Development Department.
- g. Urban Development Action Grant Application, Community Development Department.

Mr. Nielsen moved that all items on the Consent Agenda, including Resolutions Nos. 24901, 24902, 24903 and 24904, be approved. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Voice vote was taken and carried. The items were declared adopted.

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R E G U L A R   A G E N D A

COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. Hearings Examiner recommending the revision of Shoreline Management Substantial Development Permit No. 141.123 - Crow's Nest Marina - to allow the use of finger piers along the main dock of the marina.

Mr. Warnick moved to concur in the Findings and Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows: Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Evans, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker. Nays: 0. Absent: 1 - Hudson. The motion carried.

- b. Hearings Examiner recommending denial of request by Dennis I. Milander, File No. 120.825, for reclassification from an R-2 to an M-1 District at 2437 East 72nd - to allow the applicant to continue to operate a roofing contractor's yard.

Mr. Schroeder moved to concur in the Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

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FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 21266

Vacating South 30th Street from Gove to Ferdinand and the south half of South 30th from Ferdinand to Huson Street. (Department of Public Works)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Evans, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Hudson

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21287 (Continued from March 7.)

Appropriating the sum of \$12,000, or as much thereof as may be necessary, from the Baseball Park Capital Improvement Fund for the purpose of making certain improvements at Cheney Stadium, and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Evans, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Hudson

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21290

Amending Section 6.02.090 of the Official Code relating to General Qualifications of Licensees.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Evans, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Hudson

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Ordinance No. 21291

Appropriating the sum of \$22,546.71, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the Equipment Rental Fund No. 540 for the purpose of paying increased costs of purchasing certain necessary equipment relating to the Equipment Rental operations of the Public Works Department during 1977, and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21292

Appropriating the sum of \$8,668.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the Baseball Park Revolving Fund for the purpose of covering expenditures incurred in excess of appropriations for year 1977, and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21293

Appropriating the sum of \$132,250.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the Urban Arterial Fund for the purpose of paying necessary costs incurred during 1977, and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Ordinance No. 21294

Appropriating the sum of \$23,491.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the City Street Fund No. 104 for the purpose of paying necessary increased costs during 1977, and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21295

Appropriating the sum of \$16,465.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the General Bond Redemption Fund for the purpose of meeting debt service obligations for year 1977, and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 21296

Creating a new fund to be known as the "Water Revenue Bonds, Series of 1975, Redemption Fund," authorizing the transfer to said fund the sum of \$8,764,222.74 from the temporary account in the 1978 Bond Fund and appropriating the same for the investment and redemption of the Series of 1975, and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

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Ordinance No. 21297

Vacating certain streets and alleys in the vicinity of South 58th and Cheyenne Streets. (Miller Building Enterprises, et al.)

Deputy Mayor Warnick asked to be excused from the discussion in order to conform with the appearance of fairness doctrine. Mr. Warnick left the Council Chambers.

Mr. Schroeder moved to concur with the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading to a date to be determined.

Ordinance No. 21298

Amending the Compensation Plan to meet certain federal requirements and to clarify titles and add positions for the Medical Arts Building maintenance.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 21299

Amending Section 11.36.110 of the Official Code relating to speed limits on South 12th Street.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 21300

Amending the pay and compensation plan to implement certain salary adjustments reached through collective bargaining with Amalgamated Transit Union Local 758, effective January 1, 1978.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 21301

Creating a new fund to be known as the "Neighborhood Arts Program Fund," accepting a grant in the amount of \$2,500.00 from the State of Washington, authorizing the transfer of the sum of \$1,250.00 from the General Fund, appropriating the sum of \$5,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the Neighborhood Arts Program Fund and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

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Ordinance No. 21302

Appropriating the sum of \$21,920.78, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the Equipment Rental Capital Outlay Fund No. 541-472 for the purpose of purchasing necessary vehicles for the Police Department and the Department of Human Development, and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 24877 (Second reading - Continued from February 28.)

Amending the Rules of Procedure for the Tacoma City Council.

Motion to adopt the resolution was made at a previous meeting by Mrs. Bichsel and Mr. Nielsen.

Voice vote was taken on the resolution as amended and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Purchase Resolution No. 24905

Awarding contracts to:

1. Tacoma Daily Index on its bid for the official City printing for the year ending February 28, 1979.
2. Fire Control N.W. on its bid of \$8,816.71 for AFFF foam.
3. Rejecting all bids on W.O. 82030.07 - South End Neighborhood Center.
4. Bill's Towing on its bid of \$20.00 per vehicle for towing service.

Mr. Schroeder moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 24906

Approving the final plat for Finisterre Estates located approximately 120 feet west of North Lexington Street from a point 80 feet south of North 48th Street to a point 644 feet south of North 48th Street (Blake Hirsh).

Speaking to the Resolution were the following:

Don St. Thomas, 4640 No. Lexington  
Gladys Lees, 4802 No. Lexington  
Peter Formuzis, 6616 No. 48th

Mr. Warnick moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

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Resolution No. 24907

Authorizing execution of an agreement with Amalgamated Transit Union Local 758 for salary adjustments effective from January 1, 1978 through December 31, 1979.

Mr. Warnick moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 24908

Authorizing execution of an agreement with the Tacoma YMCA for a program designated "Female Firefighter's Pre-Recruit Program" for eligible female applicants under Title I of the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act and the Special Governor's Grant 106(c), from March 20, 1978 to November 10, 1978, and the expenditure of \$7,255 of CETA funds.

Mr. Schroeder moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 24909

Authorizing execution of two Federal Aid Safety Program Municipal Agreements relating to installation of certain cantilevered railroad/highway crossing signals and pavement marking devices and signs on East 11th Street and on Milwaukee Way at the Tacoma Belt Line Railroad grade crossings.

Mr. Schroeder moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 24910

Establishing the Information/Assistance Management Program as a Major Federal Aid project pursuant to Section 1.24.980 of the Official Code of the City of Tacoma.

Mr. Warnick moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 24911

Authorizing the proper officers of the City, in combination with the proper officers of Pierce County, to execute an agreement with Baseball Tacoma, Inc., for the use of Cheney Stadium for 1978, and authorizing execution of an agreement with the Disabled American Veterans, Harmony Chapter No. 18, for the operation of the parking facilities surrounding Cheney Stadium.

Mr. Schroeder moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

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Resolution No. 24913

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to file with the U.S. Department of Transportation an amendment to Capital Assistance Grants WA 03-0025 and WA 05-0003 pertaining to the purchase of thirty-three advanced designed buses.

Speaking on the resolution was Arthur Brown, 2127 South "L".

Mr. Schroeder moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 24914

Authorizing execution of an agreement with the law firm of Preston, Thorgrimson, Ellis, Holman & Fletcher, retaining said firm as bond attorneys for the proposed issue of approximately \$2,660,000 of Refuse Utility bonds.

Answering questions of Council members was Archie McLean of McLean and Company, Inc.

Mr. Nielsen moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 24915

Authorizing execution of an agreement with McLean and Company, Inc. retaining that firm as financial consultant in connection with the proposed \$2,660,000 Refuse Utility bonds.

Mr. Schroeder moved to adopt corrected Resolution No. 24915. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The corrected Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 24916

Authorizing execution of an amendment to the agreement with the architectural firm of Team West for consultant services on the addition to the Community Multi-Purpose Center at South 16th and "K" Street.

Mr. Nielsen moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 24917

Authorizing execution of an agreement with Big Brothers of Tacoma-Pierce County to perform certain essential services for the citizens of the City.

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Penny Orduna of 919 North Ainsworth, Director of the Big Brothers and Big Sisters, spoke.

Mrs. Bichsel moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolutor No. 24918

Appointing Dallas W. Stiegelmeier to the Public Utility Board to fill the unexpired term of Ralph Smathers, deceased.

Mr. Nielsen moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS & APPEALS:

This is the date set for hearing the appeal of Ted L. Fix and Ted P. Fix on the Hearings Examiner's recommendation to deny their request for a reclassification, variance and street vacation in the area located between South 13th and South 15th Streets west of Bantz Boulevard. (Continued from February 28.)

Speaking on the appeal was Larry J. Dufresne, Sr., 4131 North Gove and Jane Shanefeld.

Mr. Strege moved to concur in the Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner and to deny the appeal. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried. The appeal was denied.

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REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER:

City Manager, Erling Mork, asked for confirmation to schedule a budget work session for March 25th. Mayor Parker said he would advise him tomorrow after a poll of the Council members.

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COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Mr. Evans referred to Resolution No. 24914 and said he felt there was a need to use local firms in doing business with the City, especially in dealing with bonds. He asked that the City Manager investigate and report on how this situation can be resolved so a Tacoma firm will be selected in the future. Mr. Hudson asked that the City Manager make a special inquiry to the Pierce County Bar Association.

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Mr. Strege reported on his attendance at the Municipal Finance Officers Association Zero Base Budgeting Seminar last week and distributed to Council members a summary of the seminar. He said he outlined three recommendations which Council could consider including in the budget process this year.

Deputy Mayor Warnick and Mr. Hudson commented on the City's need for a development plan so prospective developers will know what Tacoma's goals and policies are. Mayor Parker suggested this item be included on the agenda when the Council meets with the Planning Commission next week.

Mayor Parker reported he has received a resignation from the Housing Authority and also there is one individual who has missed the last three meetings, creating an additional vacancy. He indicated he would be making one appointment next week and would accept recommendations from Council members.

Mayor Parker reported on his recent trip to Denver to present to HUD officials the City's application for an Urban Development Action Grant. He advised that local private businessmen accompanied him and the presentation made to HUD was favorably received.

On proper motion, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

  
MIKE PARKER - MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
H. B. BOND - CITY CLERK