



City Council Minutes

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

March 27, 2001

The meeting was called to order at 5:07 p.m.

Present on roll call: 8 – Dahl, Evans, McGavick, Miller, Moss, Phelps, Scarbrough, and Mayor Crowley. Absent: 1 – De Forrest. (Council Member De Forrest arrived at 5:10 p.m.)

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member Evans.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting and study session of March 20, 2001.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- a. Hearing Examiner's Agenda, April 3, 2001.
- b. Minutes of the Citizens Recognition Committee, February 15 and 22, 2001.
- c. Minutes of the Planning Commission, March 7, 2001.
- d. Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session and regular meeting, February 28, 2001.
- e. Minutes of the Tacoma Area Task Force on Disabilities, January 25 and February 22, 2001.
- f. Minutes of the Tacoma Public Library Board of Trustees, March 21, 2001.
- g. Annual Financial Reports for the Belt Line Division, Conservation Project Fund, Data Processing Fund, Fleet Services Fund, Geographic Information System Fund, and Self-Insurance Claim Fund, 2000; and Monthly Financial Reports for Light Division and Water Division, December 2000.

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

REGULAR AGENDA

Deputy Mayor Phelps moved to suspend the rules to consider Resolution Nos. 35112 through 35118 at this time. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

Purchase Resolution No. 35112

Awarding contracts to:

1. Gateway Companies, Inc., in the amount of \$57,733.60, to purchase 40 Gateway computers – Washington State Department of Information Systems;
2. Pivetta Brothers Construction Inc., on its bid of \$273,098.87, for Local Improvement District No. LID8623 – Specification No. G-203-01; and
3. Tacoma Daily Index, Inc., in the amount of \$100,000.00, to renew and extend its contract for official City legal printing – Specification No. G-011-99.

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

(Council Member De Forrest arrived here at 5:10 p.m.)

Resolution No. 35114

Authorizing the execution of an operating agreement with Tacoma Firs Golf Center, LLC, for the continued operation of the golf center, driving range and associated facilities adjacent to the Tacoma Landfill.

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

Resolution No. 35115

Authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Richard Ferguson and Pamela Ferguson for the construction of five units of permanent, market-rate multi-family housing, located on the southwest corner of Sixth Avenue and South I Street.

Deputy Mayor Phelps moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Dahl.

Speaking before the Council were:

Name	Address/Affiliation
Linda Taylor	Resident
Alton McDonald	Resident
Will Baker	Resident

Voice vote was taken and carried, with Council Member De Forrest voting in opposition. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 35116

Authorizing the execution of a Labor Management Agreement with the Joint Labor Committee, for employee benefits, effective January 1, 2001 through December 31, 2003.

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

Resolution No. 35117

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the State of Washington Public Works Trust Fund for a \$1 million preconstruction loan to be applied to Tacoma Water's portion of the Howard Hanson Dam Additional Storage Project.

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

Resolution No. 35118

Requesting the Pierce County Auditor call a special election on Tuesday, May 15, 2001, to submit to the voters a proposition authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds, in the amount of \$55,000,000, to provide improvements to City facilities.

Deputy Mayor Phelps moved to continue Resolution No. 35118 to the special meeting of March 28, 2001. Seconded by Council Member Dahl. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 35118 will be considered at the special City Council meeting of March 28, 2001.

Resolution No. 35113

Authorizing the execution of a non-binding letter of intent with Dale Chihuly to identify the general terms of negotiation for the development and sale of the City-owned building located at 2324 South C Street.

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

Speaking before the Council were:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Alton McDonald	Resident
Will Baker	Resident

Voice vote was taken and carried, with Council Member De Forrest voting in opposition. The Resolution was declared adopted.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 26792

Authorizing the execution of a grant agreement with the Pierce County Department of Aging and Long Term Care, in the amount of \$118,000; depositing said sum in the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund; and appropriating \$78,000 for Senior Information and Assistance Case Management programs and \$40,000 for the Medicaid Administrative Claim Program; and amending the 2001-2002 Biennial Budget to provide for the expenditure hereof.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 – Dahl, De Forrest, Evans, McGavick, Miller, Moss, Phelps, Scarbrough, and Mayor Crowley

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26793

Extending the existing 180-day moratorium an additional 180 days on the acceptance of applications for any license, land use, building, and development permits or approval for Washington State Department of Corrections facilities in “Narc” areas in the City; and setting Tuesday, May 8, 2001, at approximately 5:30 p.m., as the date for a public hearing by the City Council; 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 – Dahl, De Forrest, Evans, McGavick, Miller, Moss, Phelps, Scarbrough, and Mayor Crowley

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Ordinance No. 26799

Submitting a proposition to the voters at a special municipal election on May 15, 2001; and authorizing the City to issue and sell its general obligation bonds, in the amount up to \$55,000,000, to acquire, construct, equip, and improve public safety and public service facilities, under a ballot title as follows:

PROPOSITION NO. 1
CITY OF TACOMA
CITY FACILITY BONDS - \$55,000,000

The City Council of the City of Tacoma, Washington, adopted Ordinance No. 26799, concerning a proposition to finance construction and improvements of City facilities. If approved, this proposition will authorize the City to acquire, construct, equip, and improve City public safety and public service facilities, issue up to \$55,000,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within 25 years to pay for such project, and levy annual excess property taxes to pay and retire such bonds, all as provided in Ordinance No. 26799. Should this proposition be:

- APPROVED
REJECTED

and declaring an immediate emergency making necessary the immediate passage of this ordinance.

Speaking before the Council were:

Name	Address/Affiliation
Pat McElligott	Fire Union
Peter Ansara	Executive Director, Housing Authority
Jim Dawson	Trustee, Broadway Center for the Performing Arts
Greg Pratt	President, Broadway Center for the Performing Arts
Teddie Toole	Pacific and 58 th Street
Steph Farber	LeRoy Jewelers
Alton McDonald	Resident
Rod Gideons	Executive Director, Opera
Will Baker	Resident
David King	Resident
Phyllis Barrett	912 South Cushman
Doug Delin	3526 East Roosevelt
Jack Pleasant	Resident
Steve Mitchell	Resident
Christina Perez	Hilltop Action Coalition
Skip Vaughn	Resident

Deputy Mayor Phelps moved to continue Ordinance No. 26799 to the special meeting of March 28, 2001. Seconded by Council Member Moss. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ordinance No. 26799 will be considered at the special City Council meeting of March 28, 2001.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 26794

Amending Section 11.05.150 of the Municipal Code changing Court C from South 7th Street to St. Helens, from a two-way street to a one-way northbound only street.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 26795

Amending Chapter 2.10 of the Municipal Code relating to the energy code and adopting the Washington State Building Energy Code as approved by the Washington State Building Code Council and to further amend the lighting provisions of said Code; and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Deputy Mayor Phelps moved to suspend the rules to consider Substitute Ordinance No. 26795. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Speaking before the Council were:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Thomas Fuller	FDR Political Action Committee
Tim Strege	Resident
Skip Vaughn	Resident
Gary Brackett	Chamber of Commerce

The Substitute Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 26796

Amending Chapters 1.23 and 12 of the Municipal Code relating to the emergency curtailment of nonessential electric energy consumption and adding a new chapter to be known as Chapter 12.11, entitled "Emergency Curtailment of Electric Energy," for said purpose.

Deputy Mayor Phelps moved to suspend the rules to consider Substitute Ordinance No. 26796. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried, with Council Member Dahl voting in opposition. The motion was declared adopted.

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Speaking before the Council were:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Thomas Fuller	FDR Political Action Committee
Paul Glumass	Active with the LaRouche movement
Todd Norquist	Active with the LaRouche movement
David King	DSHS Mental Health Division
Sally Perkins	Resident
Steve Apling	14 th and Sheridan
Marianne Lincoln	President, Spanaway Community Action Network
Deedee Hitchins	Director of Political Affairs for the Washington Retail Association
Joseph Rayland	Resident
Alton McDonald	Resident
Will Baker	Resident
Doug Delin	Resident
Gail Weber	Pierce County resident
Brian Quint	Chairman Elect of the National Trade Organization of the Pool and Spa Industry
Linda Taylor	Resident
Steve DeCarto	Apollo Spas
Charlotte and Taylor Sweet	Resident
David Smith	Operations Manager for Clearwater Spas
John Walston	7627 South Yakima; Vice President of the Local Steelworkers Union
Bruce Shamp	Resident; Owner of Swimmin Hole and Fireplace
Jeff Akin	Production Manager of Pioneer American Chloralkali Plant
Eric Carlson	Pierce County Resident
Phyllis Barrett	912 South Cushman
Joyce Wineberg	38 th and Villard Streets
Tim Strege	Resident
Terry Hubbard	Resident; owner of a pool and spa business
Allan Douglas	Resident

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 26797

Amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code relating to the Compensation Plan and implementing the employee benefit package negotiated with the Joint Labor Committee.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 26798

Authorizing the issuance of revenue bonds, in the amount of \$12,100,000, for financing the Water Division's capital projects.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Terry Spragg	Water bag industry
John Walston	7627 South Yakima

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS (Will begin at approximately 5:30 p.m.)

This is the date set for a public hearing by the City Council regarding the annexation of approximately three quarters of an acre, located at the southeast corner of East 91st Street and McKinley Avenue, in unincorporated Pierce County.

Council Member McGavick moved to remove the public hearing from the agenda. Seconded by Council Member Miller. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER

City Manager Ray E. Corpuz, Jr. stated the City is about to receive a prestigious award from the Public Relations Society of America, which is the world's largest organization for public relation professionals. He stated the City has been named as a finalist in the Silver Anvil Award for our #1 Wired City campaign. He stated last year's categories included Levi Jeans and America On Line. He then acknowledged the work of Becky Japhet, Community Relations Division; and Juli Wilkerson, Tacoma Economic Development Director, along with her staff.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL


Council Member McGavick complimented all the staff who had participated in making last night's special Council meeting a great success. She gave particular thanks to Deputy City Manager Jim Walton, Nancy Forster, and Doris Sorum who organized the meeting. She also thanked Carol Mathewson, Dan Voelpel, Juli Wilkerson and Steve Shanafelt, along with all of the staff who gave presentations.

Council Member Miller reminded Council Members that Thursday is the Puget Sound Regional Council's General Assembly meeting, which starts at 3:30 p.m., and that their input is needed for approval of the Regional Transportation and Growth Management Plan. He stated Governor Locke would be addressing the group at 5:30 p.m., with dinner at 6:30 p.m., followed by an awards presentation for the Vision 2020 award for which Tacoma has been selected as one of the winners for our Destination Downtown Plan.

Mayor Crowley reminded the citizens that there will be a special study session at 5:00 p.m., followed by a special Council meeting at 6:00 p.m., tomorrow night, March 28, 2001, at the Tacoma Municipal Building North, Room 16.

Council Member McGavick moved to authorize final settlement in the case of *Estate of Carriana Massey v. City of Tacoma* for the sum of \$50,000. Seconded by Council Member Moss. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:52 p.m.



MIKE CROWLEY, MAYOR

ATTEST: Doris Sorum
DORIS SORUM, CITY CLERK