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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers  
April 8, 1980

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

Present on roll call: 8 - Bichsel, Hawkins, Kirby, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Strege, Sutherland and Mayor Parker.

After the City Council meeting last week, April 1, 1980, Councilman Evans submitted his resignation to be effective immediately.

The flag salute was led by Mayor Parker.

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CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of April 1, 1980.

PETITIONS:

TRUE VINE COMMUNITY CHURCH, requesting rezoning of the property located on the north side of S. 19th Street between Tyler and Mason Streets, from an "R-2" to an R-4-L" District.

C & I COMPANY (RAM INTERNATIONAL), requesting rezoning of the property located on the west side of Sprague Avenue between South 70th and South 72nd streets extended, from an "R4L-T" to a "CFP" District.

GEORGE BERRY for TOM GORDON, PEARL STREET ASSOCIATES, requesting rezoning of the property located on the SE corner of North 11th and Pearl Streets from an "R-2/C-1" to a "CPC" District.

The Peoples Church of the Northwest, Inc., requesting rezoning of the property located on the northeast corner of East 68th and "Q" Streets from an "R-2" to an "R-3-PRD" District.

Gene W. Pankey requesting rezoning of the property located on the southwest corner of South 72nd Street and Puget Sound Avenue from an "R-2" to a C-2" District.

For referral to the Hearings Examiner.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 26344

Setting Monday, April 28, 1980 at 5:00 p.m. as the date for hearing L.I.D. 2505 for sidewalk construction abutting elementary schools and Metropolitan parks in various areas of the City.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Hearings Examiner agenda for Tuesday, April 8, 1980.
- b. Minutes of the meeting of the Human Relations Commission Study Session, February 21, 1980.
- c. Monthly Report of the Municipal Court for February 1980.
- d. Department of Public Works filing the Aging Schedule for various Urban Arterial Projects.
- e. Department of Community Development filing the Sixth Year Community Development Application 1980-1981.
- f. 1980 Annual Budget Estimates - Department of Public Utilities.
- g. Monthly Financial Report, December, 1979, Finance Director.

Deputy Mayor Nielsen moved that the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 26344, be approved. Seconded by Councilwoman Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda was declared approved.

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REGULAR AGENDA

COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. Hearings Examiner submitting Shoreline Management Permit Application No. 141.226, Globe Machine Manufacturing Co., Inc., to allow construction of a marine fabrication shop, including a concrete bulkhead, a new ramp, float and associated pilings located west of East "D" Street approximately 700 feet north of East 11th Street.

Councilman Sutherland moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Councilwoman Bichsel. Roll call vote was taken resulting in Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Hawkins, Kirby, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Strege, Sutherland and Mayor Parker. Motion Carried.

- b. Hearings Examiner submitting Shoreline Management Permit Application No. 141.221, Washington Services, Inc., allowing construction of a storm drainage outfall to the Tacoma Narrows from the upland preliminary plat of Parkside, located in the vicinity south of Point Defiance Park and west of Mildred Street overlooking and running down into the Narrows.

Mayor Parker announced that Management asked that this be removed from the Agenda, as the Hearings Examiner will hold a rehearing. Councilwoman Bichsel moved that the item be removed from the Agenda. Seconded by Councilman Rasmussen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The item was removed from the Agenda.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Mayor Parker announced that Ordinance No. 22025, which was continued for one week last week, was inadvertently dropped from the Agenda. He asked that the Clerk read the title.

Ordinance No. 22025

Providing for L.I.D. improvement for permanent paving on North Bristol from North 49th to North 50th; North Mason Avenue from North 27th to North 29th; and the alley between North 29th and North 30th from McCarver to North Carr Street.

Gary Sullivan, Hearings Examiner, advised that segment No. 1 of the L.I.D. presently has a remonstrance of 44%. Segment No. 2 had a remonstrance of 46%, but now he has received an oral remonstrance which brings it to 51%. Upon question by the Council, the City Attorney, Bob Hamilton, advised that remonstrances should be in writing. The Council then determined that the oral remonstrance would not be included. Mr. Sullivan advised that segment No. 3 contains a 73% remonstrance. Segment No. 4 has over 60% remonstrance. Segment No. 5 has a 52% remonstrance. Segment No. 6 has no objections.

Mr. Sullivan said that according to State law, segments No. 3 and 4 should be deleted from the Ordinance. He also said that the Council should consider deleting segment No. 5. Mayor Parker moved to delete segments No. 3, 4 and 5. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. Roll call vote was taken on the ordinance as amended, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Hawkins, Kirby, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Strege, Sutherland and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21156

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to reclassify the area south side of So. 12th Street approximately 150 feet west of Cedar Street. (Kay Parks Auto Rebuilding)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Hawkins, Kirby, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Strege, Sutherland and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Ordinance No. 21996

Vacating East "F" between West Street and East 70th. (Frederick A. Eickhoff)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Hawkins, Kirby, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Strege, Sutherland and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 22033

Authorizing execution of a grant award contract with the State Department of Social and Health Service for \$5,400.00; appropriating said sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the Crisis Child Care Project Fund for continuing the Crisis Child Care Project through June 30, 1980; 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, Hawkins, Kirby, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Strege, Sutherland and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Mayor Parker moved to recess into executive session for the purpose of discussing several personnel matters. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Council recessed at 5:20 p.m. Council reconvened at 5:25 p.m.

Mayor Parker reported that yesterday representatives of the City met with members of the Metropolitan Park District to discuss current problems of both the City and the Park District, and as a result of the meeting a Statement of Understanding was drafted. He asked that the Clerk read the Statement. The Statement was read as follows:

"The Commissioners of the Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma and representatives of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Tacoma do hereby jointly set forth their respective understanding with reference to a cooperative arrangement for the operation of the parks of the Park District as follows:

The Commissioners will negotiate with representatives of the City of Tacoma in order to consummate an intergovernmental cooperation agreement for the operation of the park system.

The basis of that agreement will involve retention by the District Commissioners of policy decisions and the performance of those duties which they possess by virtue of their election and, hence, are nondelegable duties.

The City will offer to the Park District the services of its City Manager and such of his staff as may be required to conduct and carry on the day to day operation of the Park District until January 1, 1981.

The parties hereby express their intentions to consummate said agreement on or before June 1, 1980. Said agreement obviously will detail the duties and responsibilities of both parties and provide for the remunerations to be paid the City for the services of its Manager and his administrative staff.

Dated at Tacoma, Washington this 8th day of April, 1980."

Mayor Parker moved that the proper officials of the City be authorized to sign the Statement of Understanding. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 22023 (continued from meeting of March 25)

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to reclassify the west side of Steele Street between South 41st and South 42nd Streets from an "R-4-L" to a "C-2" District. (Pacific Northwest Rax, Inc.) (An appeal has been filed)

Gary Sullivan, Hearings Examiner, reviewed the request and his reasons for recommending approval. He advised that an appeal has been filed.

Mayor Parker announced that both the appellant and the petitioner would have ten minutes to present their case.

Speaking in favor of the appeal and against the rezone were: Beula Kelpman, 1031 Haven Court; Norman Scott, 2411 South 41st; Greg Ellis, 2502 South 40th Street.

Speaking on behalf of the petitioner was Gordon Teter, 2019 - 129th Street S.E., President of Pacific Northwest Rax.

After questions, Deputy Mayor Nielsen moved that the appeal be denied and the requested rezone reclassification be allowed with an additional condition that the final plat be heard by Council. Seconded by Councilwoman Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Final reading of the Ordinance was set over to a date to be determined.

Ordinance No. 22036

Authorizing the transfer of the sum of \$8,687 from the Community Development Third Year Block Grant Fund to the Library Grants Revolving Fund and appropriating \$8,687, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the Library Grants Revolving Fund for the purpose of paying for the removal of architectural barriers.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 22037

Authorizing execution of a grant award agreement in the amount of \$107,357 with the U.S. Dept. of Labor under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act; authorizing the transfer of various existing CETA funds in the approx. sum of \$315,000 to the Comprehensive Employment Services Grant Fund and appropriating the sum of \$422,357, or so much thereof as may be necessary from said fund for the purpose of operating CETA programs for fiscal year ending September 30, 1980, 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. 22038

Amending Chapter 11.20 of the Official Code by repealing subsections 11.20.010(30) and 11.20.010(22) to change "J" Street from Division Ave. to So. 23rd, and "K" Street from Division Ave. to So. 25th Street, from one-way to two-way traffic.

Ron Button, Director of the Public Works Department, reviewed the Ordinance for Council members and answered questions.

Speaking in favor of the Ordinance were: Bob Lura, 1529 North Fife; Bud Thorpe, 1316 South K; Bill Meyer of Harold Meyer Drug Store, 11th and K Street; Josephine Heiman, 1901 North Cedar, who operates the Thrift Center on K Street; Charlie Gage, Value Store, 1118 South K; Wendy Newhart, 515 South Sheridan, member of the Wedge group.

Speaking against a two-way street Ordinance and favor of continuing one-way were: Mary German, 110 Harvard Avenue, Fircrest, speaking on behalf of the trustees of the First Congregational Church; and Ernest Mesh, apartment owner on J Street at 912 South J.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

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Ordinance No. 22039

Amending Section 1.106.229 of the Official Code relative to the Administrative Code and settlement of claims.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 22041

Amending the pay and compensation plan to create the appointive position of Economic Development Manager and classified position of Worker's Compensation Claims Representative and establishing 1980 salary rates.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 22042

Authorizing execution of a grant award contract with the Pacific Northwest Regional Commission in the amount of \$50,000; appropriating the sum of \$50,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Fair/Exposition Planning and Development Fund; authorizing execution of an agreement with Allen Beach, all in connection with the planning of an international fair/exposition in Tacoma; 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.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 26345

Awarding contracts to:

1. Charles H. Beresford Co. on its bid of \$3,837.13, for Fire Department beds;
2. Tacoma Daily Index on its bid of \$5.20 per column inch for official City printing.

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

Resolution No. 26346

Approving the final plat of LAKE WAPATO ESTATES located in the area at So. 72nd Street to So. 76th Street between Sheridan Ave. and Ainsworth Ave. (Catholic Archbishop of Seattle)

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

Resolution No. 26347

Approving the preliminary plat of WAYNEWOOD IV in the area north of So. 94th Street and west of Sheridan Ave. (Landco of Washington, Inc.)

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

Resolution No. 26348

Authorizing application to the Ben B. Cheney Foundation for funding support of an Artist-in-Residence program in the amount of \$8,000.00.

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

Resolution No. 26349

Authorizing the City Treasurer to segregate L.I.D. 8184, assessment #10, into two separate assessments.

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

Resolution No. 26350

Authorizing application to the Dept. of Health, Education & Welfare for \$50,000 to provide continuation funding for the Service Network for Youth Program.

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

Resolution No. 26351

Authorizing application to the State of Washington, Dept. of Ecology for a Coastal Zone Management Grant (CZM) in the amount of \$40,000 this funding year and annual applications as funding becomes available for the purposes of supporting the continuation of the City's shoreline inspection program, completing the Ruston Way Design and Development Plan and a Shoreline Amenities Study.

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

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Mayor Parker moved to suspend the rules to consider Resolutions No. 26352 and 26353. Seconded by Councilwoman Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Resolution No. 26352

Authorizing applications of the Central Puget Sound Economic Development District for certain projects under the Public Works Economic Development Act of 1965 as amended, 1976.

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

Resolution No. 26353

Authorizing State contract vehicle purchase for Equipment Rental Fund purchase of vehicles and waiving the formal bidding procedure.

Councilwoman Bichsel moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Councilman Rasmussen. A roll call vote was taken resulting in Ayes 6, Bichsel, Kirby, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Strege and Mayor Parker. Nays 2, Hawkins and Sutherland. Motion carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

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PUBLIC HEARING:

This is the date set for Hearing on the Draft Generalized Land Use Plan.

Jack Creighton, Planning Department Director, presented some introductory remarks and introduced Joe Quilici of the Planning Department who advised that notices of the public hearing were duly advertised and all identified neighborhood organizations and other interested parties were notified. He noted that the draft plan and the final environmental impact statement had been provided to Council previously for their review and use in the decision making process. He advised that the Planning Commission and City Council had met on two previous occasions jointly in a study session to discuss direction of the plan and plan maps. He advised that a summary of the Planning Commission's Public Hearing, including the oral and written testimony, was provided them, and comments of the Planning Commission reflecting the Commission's findings and recommendations were submitted. The draft plan was available to the public for their inspection. He then explained the contents of the plan and answered questions of Council members.

Also speaking to the Council and answering questions were Michael J. Wheeler, Vice Chairman of the Planning Commission and Harding Roe, Assistant City Attorney.

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Citizens speaking at the hearing were:

Rick Vilhauer, 402 Tacoma Avenue South  
Ted P. Fix, 18712 - 22nd Avenue East  
David M. Davis, 6226 South Oakes  
Harry Berry, 3623 - 64th Avenue West  
Lyle Swedberg, One North Stadium Way  
Jim Reese, 2401 South 62nd  
James Jackson, 6631 South Wapato Street  
Larry Gunter, 6003 South Prospect  
Joanne Inglette, 8701 South Ainsworth  
Gus Carlson, 8802 South Ainsworth  
Jack Fabulich, Port Commissioner, 2101 North Baltimore

Deputy Mayor Nielsen requested that staff provide written comments to the City Council concerning citizens' comments made at the public hearing. The Deputy Mayor said that a resolution adopting the plan would be coming to the City Council in approximately three weeks. The Deputy Mayor then declared the public hearing closed.

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COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Councilman Sutherland advised that the Appointments Committee met and had three appointments to present to the Council. Councilman John Hawkins has concurred with the appointment to the Citizens' Transportation Advisory Board; Councilman Strege has concurred with the appointment to the Pierce County Area Council for Children and Youth; and Councilwoman Barbara Bichsel has concurred with the appointment to the Pierce County Public Transportation Benefit Authority.

Councilman Hawkins moved that the three appointments as stated by Councilman Sutherland be made. Seconded by Councilman Sutherland. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Councilman Rasmussen advised that he is on the board of the Tacoma Runaway Youth Program and had inadvertently voted on Resolution No. 26350. Due to the Appearance of Fairness Doctrine, he said he would like to change his vote on the resolution to that of abstaining.

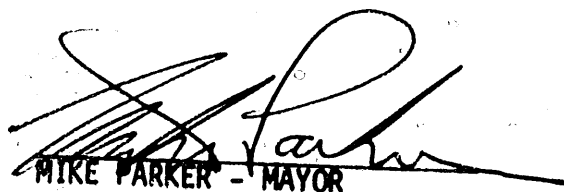
Councilman Sutherland referred to last week's resignation of Councilmember Evans from the City Council and the resulting news announcement to the community asking for applications from District 2. Citizens were informed to file applications by 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 8, 1980. He advised that 10 applications have been received. He said that he felt that the Council should discuss setting a procedure to follow in selecting a new Council member from the applicants.

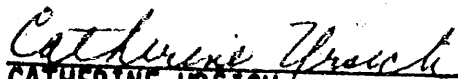
After a recommendation made by Councilman Sutherland and discussion, Councilman Hawkins moved that the Appointments Committee interview, in a public manner, all 10 applicants and that the Appointments Committee make a recommendation of the top five nominees to the full Council and that the full Council be given an opportunity to interview those five candidates and then, for the purpose of balloting, that the Council retire to executive session. Seconded by Councilman Rasmussen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Discussion was held on the meeting time. Monday, April 14, 1980 at 6:00 p.m., was the time and date set for the Appointments Committee to interview all 10 applicants with other Council members present if they wished. Councilman Sutherland then made the motion that the applicants be scheduled in reverse order of the alphabet. Seconded by Councilman Rasmussen. Voice vote was taken and carried. Councilman Sutherland then moved that Monday, April 21, 1980 at 6:00 p.m. at the City Council Chambers, again that the top five applicants be interviewed by the full Council. Seconded by Councilman Hawkins. Voice vote was taken and carried. The clerk was instructed to provide proper notice to the press and public that the two meetings would be held as heretofore scheduled.

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On proper motion, the meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

  
MIKE PARKER - MAYOR

ATTEST:   
CATHERINE URSICH  
ACTING CITY CLERK