

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
October 24, 1995

The meeting was called to order at 5:08 p.m.

Present on roll call: 9 - Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Evans, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Moss.

The Flag Salute was led by Mayor Moss.

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 33180

Setting Tuesday, November 14, 1995, at 9:00 a.m. as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on an appeal of penalties set forth in the City's Cease and Desist Orders at 5802-5820 Marine View Drive for the removal of non-permitted development activities, dry dock dismantling, placement of fill, construction of an access road system, and the beaching and storage of derelict vessels and barges; and at 2224-2228 Marine View Drive for the removal of non-permitted development activities, the placement of fill and dock construction, development of a junk yard, and the beaching and storage of dilapidated vessels.

Resolution No. 33181

Setting Tuesday, November 28, 1995, at 1:30 p.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on the request to vacate South 85th Street from M Street to Sheridan Avenue for church parking and access. (Tacoma First (Korean) Baptist Church; File No. 124.1024).

Resolution No. 33182

Setting Tuesday, November 28, 1995, at approximately 6:00 p.m., as the date for a public hearing by the City Council on the proposed amendments to the Municipal Code to establish transit-supportive land use.

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Resolution No. 33183

Setting Tuesday, November 28, 1995, at approximately 6:00 p.m., as the date for a public hearing by the City Council on the proposed amendments to the zoning map to establish transit-supportive land use, transportation and development standards in mixed-use centers.

Resolution No. 33184

Setting Tuesday, November 14, 1995, at approximately 6:00 p.m., as the date for a public hearing by the City Council on the amendments to the Land Use Management Plan, the City's comprehensive plan, which includes the Capital Facilities Program, Central Plan, Economic Development Plan and Program, Generalized Land Use Plan, Housing Program, Tacoma Dome Area Plan, Thea Foss Waterway Design and Development Plan, Transportation Program, the reference element of the Land Use Management Plan, and area-wide zoning reclassifications.

Resolution No. 33185

Setting Tuesday, November 14, 1995, at approximately 6:00 p.m., as the date for a public hearing by the City Council to consider modifications to the 1995-1996 Biennial Budget for the City of Tacoma.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Hearing Examiner agenda for October 24, 1995.
- b. Minutes of the meetings of the Tacoma Planning Commission, September 6 and 18, 1995.
- c. Minutes of the meeting of the Fuzhou Sister City Committee, September 20, 1995.
- d. Minutes of the meeting and study session of the Public Utility Board, September 27, 1995.
- e. Minutes of the meetings of the Appointments Committee, August 21 and September 18, 1995.
- f. Minutes of the meeting of the Commission on Children, Youth and Families, September 14, 1995.

Deputy Mayor Evans moved that the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 33180, 33181, 33182, 33183, 33184, and 33185, be approved. Seconded by Council Member Silas. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 33180, 33181, 33182, 33183, 33184, and 33185, was declared approved.

REGULAR AGENDA

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:

- a. Presentation of suggestion awards.

Mayor Moss presented Lt. Chris Piper, Fire Department, a certificate and check for his suggestion on reduction of apparatus tail boards and compartment height.

- b. Presentation of Police citizens' awards.

Mayor Moss and on Lt. Bill Meeks, Police Department, presented outstanding citizens' certificates of appreciation to Mr. Chris Fowler and Mr. Mauricio Pena for their assistance on a theft.

Mayor Moss and Ms. Christine Bruno presented plaques of appreciation to Occidental Chemical Corporation; City of Tacoma, Municipal Building; University of Puget Sound; Frank Russell Company; Sheraton Tacoma Hotel; Tacoma Lutheran Home and Retirement Community; Tacoma Goodwill Industries; Simpson Tacoma Kraft; and KeyCorp Washington Affiliates for their outstanding achievements in the Commute Trip Reduction program.

Mayor Moss proclaimed the day of October 28, 1995, to be "Make a Difference Day," and presented the proclamation to Ms. Debbie Tainer.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 25776

Authorizing the execution of a work order for Dependent Care Grant funds with the State of Washington Department of Social and Health Services, in the amount of \$4,000, depositing in and appropriating said sum from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund for a Child Care Resource and Referral System.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 -- Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Evans, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Moss.

Nays: 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 25777

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$75,000, depositing in and appropriating said sum from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund for intake services for housing discrimination charges and related staff training.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 25778

Authorizing the execution of a grant award agreement with the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$97,639, depositing in and appropriating said sum from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund for administration of the Fair Housing Initiatives Program, Administrative Enforcement Initiative.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 25779

Amending the Pay and Compensation Plan to allow employees to take advantage of special discounts from merchants or businesses as members of employee groups, organizations or similar broad-based groups.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 33177 (Continued from the meeting of October 17, 1995)

Adopting the Policy Statement for the 1996-1997 Consolidated Plan Annual Program.

Deputy Mayor Evans moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Baarsma.

Council Member Miller moved to amend the policy statement of Resolution No. 33177 to authorize a waiver of a one year, \$100,000 set-aside for fire sprinkling funding. Seconded by Council Member De Forrest. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Speaking before the Council were:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Tom Stenger	718 South J Street
Sandra Burgess	Metropolitan Development Council
Mr. Roadhouse	Hilltop Action
Tom Dixon	Tacoma Urban League

Council Member Miller moved to adopt Resolution No. 33177, as amended. Seconded by Council Member Baarsma.

Mayor Moss moved to amend the Amended Policy Statement of Resolution No. 33177 by increasing the minimum percent of each annual Community Development Block Grant allocation set-aside for housing development from 45 percent to 50 percent. Seconded by Council Member McGavick.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 5 -- Evans, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Moss.

Nays: 4 -- Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest and Kirby.

The motion was declared adopted.

Voice vote was taken and carried on Amended Resolution No. 33177, as amended. The Amendment to the Amended Resolution No. 33177 was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 33186

Authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement with Pierce Transit, in the amount of \$30,312.26, for the Transit Priority Demonstration Project to install signal priority equipment on South 19th Street between Mildred and Wilkeson Streets.

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

Resolution No. 33187

Authorizing the negotiation of an agreement with the Washington State Historical Society for the lease, sale and/or transfer of portions of the Albers Mill property for redevelopment.

Mayor Moss moved to continue Resolution No. 33187 to a date to be determined. Seconded Council Member Miller. Voice vote was taken and carried with Council Member Silas abstaining. The motion was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 33187 will be considered at the regular City Council meeting on a date to be determined.

Resolution No. 33188

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with Software Solutions Unlimited, Inc., in the amount of \$397,000, for the development and installation of computer software for a fleet information system.

Council Member Miller moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mayor Moss. Voice vote was taken and carried with Council Member De Forrest voting in opposition. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 33189

Authorizing the execution of Amendment No. 118 to the Neighborhood Preservation Program Agreement with the Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority, in the amount of \$13,000, for the rehabilitation of a multi-family housing project located at 621 South Yakima Avenue to provide affordable rental housing to low-income families.

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

Resolution No. 33190

Authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement with Pierce County to allocate Washington State Department of Energy funds for implementation of the Commute Trip Reduction plan and programs.

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

Resolution No. 33191

Authorizing the submittal of a grant application to Pierce County, in the amount of \$20,000, for the Tacoma-Pierce County Child Care Resource and Referral Service for families of children with developmental disabilities.

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

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER:

None.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL:

Council Member Silas commented on the memorial service of Pierce County Deputy Sheriff John Bananola. Council Member Silas indicated that she and Council Member Crowley attended a meeting with the principal, staff and neighborhood residents around Bryant School to discuss the conditions surrounding their school. She explained that there was concern about a store across the street from Bryant that was selling alcohol and asked if there was something the City could do to bring about some changes. She also suggested that Tacoma CARES look at what could be done to eliminate the blight surrounding the Bryant School area.

Council Member Crowley concurred with Council Member Silas' comments about the concerns expressed at the meeting at Bryant School. Council Member Crowley also commented on the memorial service of Deputy Sheriff John Bananola. Council Member Crowley indicated that he has noticed an increase in the amount of graffiti in the downtown area. He asked what precautionary steps are being taken to stop this action and what are being done in cleaning up the graffiti.

Council Member McGavick commented on the memorial service of Deputy Sheriff Bananola and expressed her condolences to the family and Hawaiian community. She commented on how proud she was of Tacoma's Police Department and the Pierce County Sheriff's Department in the way they handled the memorial service. She expressed her appreciation to everyone who worked on putting together a memorable service.

Council Member De Forrest also commented on Deputy Sheriff Bananola's memorial service. He thanked everyone for organizing the service. Council Member De Forrest indicated that this last week Mr. Folsom also lost his life in a tragic drive-by-shooting. Council Member De Forrest expressed his condolences to the Folsom family. Council Member De Forrest reminded the Council of a precedent that was set when a group of individuals who wanted drug-free zones in the schools were allowed to bring in signs and banners in the Council Chambers and were allowed to speak. Council Member De Forrest explained that he would prefer to have the individuals from East Tacoma who are upset and emotional over the events that occurred this past week, picket before the Council rather than take other violent actions. Council Member De Forrest questioned whether Tacoma was doing enough to reduce crime. He noted that he was not confident with the administration of the Police Department. He

indicated that citizens want results and we must do whatever it takes to resolve the problems.

Deputy Mayor Evans commented on the memorial service of Deputy Sheriff Bananola. He noted that the *Seattle Post Intelligencer* had a summary on King County and City of Seattle's crime incidences. He indicated that he believed Tacoma is doing equal, if not better, in reducing crime. Deputy Mayor Evans indicated that he met with the Police Chief to begin serious planning for a series of sub precincts, cop shops or family safety centers located around the city, staffed with Police and volunteers to work in partnership with the Police.

Council Member Baarsma also commented on the memorial service of Deputy Sheriff Bananola. He indicated that Police Chief Fjetland expressed his gratitude in seeing all nine Council Members at the memorial service. Council Member Baarsma indicated that this last Saturday, he and Deputy City Manager Jim Walton had the honors in awarding the "Unsung Heroes" awards to a group of citizens for their participation in neighborhood issues. Council Member Baarsma requested that the names of those who received awards be shared with the rest of the Council Members. Council Member Baarsma announced that at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 25, 1995, Channel 5 will be airing a discussion on Referendum 48.


Council Member Kirby commented on Deputy Sheriff Bananola's memorial service. Council Member Kirby indicated that the Council needs to recognize that there are individuals who live in neighborhoods that are genuine hot spots of criminal activity. He explained that the Council needs to understand and empathize with those citizens who come to the Council to express their frustration. Council Member Kirby commented that one such hot spot was in the vicinity of South 96th and Hosmer, where area citizens are working with businesses to come up with creative solutions. Council Member Kirby noted that he would like to take a look at the two-year budget process, as the budget process is the policy document that drives the City.

Council Member Miller asked if the Tacoma CARES program could investigate a tagging situation in the North End of Tacoma, in particular, the Community Thrift Shop on Pearl Street at North 45th. Council Member Miller noted that in the past two weeks there have been approximately 20 yards worth of debris, furniture and clothing spread throughout the back of that building and the owner has made no attempt to clean-up the area. In addition the entire back of the building has become a billboard for gang tagging and the owner has done nothing to correct that situation. Council Member Miller requested the City to take some enforcement action that has some lasting effect. Council Member Miller also commented on the memorial service of Deputy Sheriff Bananola.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.



HAROLD G. MOSS, MAYOR

ATTEST: 

RICK ROSENBLADT, ACTING CITY CLERK

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