

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers  
July 14, 1987

The meeting was called to order at 5:06 p.m.

Present on roll call: 7 - Hyde, McElliott, Moss, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Warrick, and Mayor Sutherland. Absent: Mykland and Stenger. (Council Member Stenger arrived at 5:11 p.m.)

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member Nielsen.

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CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 29675

Setting Monday, August 24, 1987, at 5:00 p.m., as the date for hearing by the Hearings Examiner L.I.D. No. 8468 for the placement of permanent pavement on North Defiance Street, from North 45th Street to North 46th Street.

Resolution No. 29677

Authorizing the submittal of a grant application to the Economic Development Administration in the amount of \$40,000.00 for economic development planning.

APPEALS:

Robert W. MacDicken, appealing the denial of his request for reconsideration by the Hearings Examiner relative to the reclassification request of Oscar Hokold on the northeast corner of Pacific Avenue and Wright Avenue from an "R-4" Multiple-Family Dwelling District to an "R-5" Multiple-Family Dwelling District. (Oscar Hokold; File No. 120.1200)

Setting Tuesday, August 25, 1987 at approximately 5:30 p.m. as the date for hearing by the City Council.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Hearings Examiner Agendas for Tuesday, July 14 and Tuesday, July 21, 1987.
- b. Minutes of the meeting of the Tacoma-Pierce County Board of Health, June 3, 1987.

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- c. Minutes of the meeting of the City-Park District Advisory Committee, May 13, 1987.
- d. Minutes of the meeting of the Tacoma Planning Commission, June 15, 1987.
- e. Minutes of the meeting of the Urban Policy Committee, June 25, 1987.
- f. Monthly Financial Reports of the Belt Line Division, Light Division, Water Division, Data Processing Division, Fleet Services Fund, and the Self-Insurance Claim Fund, May, 1987.
- g. City of Tacoma 1987 Annual Program Budget.

Council Member Nielsen moved that the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 29675 and 29677, be approved. Seconded by Council Member Warrick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda was declared approved.

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REGULAR AGENDA

COMMUNICATIONS:

Hearings Examiner recommending modifications of a site plan for the development of the Tacoma Eye Clinic located on South 19th and Mullen Streets. (Tacoma Eye Clinic; File No. 120.1085A)

Mayor Sutherland moved to concur in the recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rasmussen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

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FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 23896

Authorizing the transfer \$6,747.00 from the General Fund to the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund, and appropriating said sum from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund for the Beacon/Lighthouse renovations and Senior Citizens Awareness Day (SCAD)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Hyde, McElliott, Moss, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Warrick, and Mayor Sutherland.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 2 - Mykland and Stenger.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Ordinance No. 23897

Appropriating \$20,139.60 from the Community Development Block Grant Summary Fund to implement approved Community Development Block Grant activities.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Hyde, McElliott, Moss, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Warnick,  
and Mayor Sutherland.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 2 - Mykland and Stenger.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 23898

Authorizing the acceptance of donations from the Puget Sound National Bank and Merrill, Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith, Inc.; depositing said funds in the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund, and appropriating \$8,000.00 from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund for free public performances of the Tacoma Symphony; and further authorizing the payment of \$2,700.00 to the Pierce County Arts Commission for concerts of the Tacoma Symphony in Spanaway Park.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Hyde, McElliott, Moss, Nielsen, Rasmussen, Warnick,  
and Mayor Sutherland.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 2 - Mykland and Stenger.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Council Member Stenger arrived at 5:11 p.m.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 23899

Vacating a portion of the northeast corner of South 13th Street and Pacific Avenue for construction of a parking garage over the existing underground garage. (Pacific Cities; File No. 124.842)

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Mayor Sutherland moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rasmussen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

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

Ordinance No. 23900

Vacating a walkway between Hawthorne Drive and Mildred Street, north of North 18th Street, to combine the pedestrian right-of-way with the abutting yards. (Glen Ackerman; File No. 124.840)

Mayor Sutherland moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Council Member Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

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

Ordinance No. 23901

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to reclassify the property located on the southwest corner of South 72nd and Hosmer Streets from a "CFV" Freeway Commercial Vehicular Services District and an "R-2" One-Family Dwelling District to a "C-1" Commercial District and an "R-2" One-Family Dwelling District for the construction of a convenience grocery store and new pump islands for a gas station. (Barghausen Consulting Engineering, Inc.; File No. 120.1202)

Mayor Sutherland noted that Council Member Mykland requested that he be present for the first reading of Ordinance No. 23901. Mayor Sutherland stated that Council Member Mykland was on vacation this week and next week and also noted that Mr. Kerlake, Hearings Examiner, would not be available at the Council meeting of July 28, 1987.

After discussion, Mayor Sutherland recommended that the Council have a first reading of this Ordinance tonight and that the record be held open for any additional comments by Council Member Mykland on the Council meeting of July 28, 1987.

Mayor Sutherland moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Council Member Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Final reading of the Ordinance was set over to a date to be determined and to allow for additional commenting by Council Member Mykland on July 28, 1987.

Ordinance No. 23902

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to reclassify the property located approximately 100 feet north of the northwest corner of South 27th and Jefferson Avenue from an "M-1" Light Industrial District to an "M-2" Heavy Industrial District, to include the parcel of land omitted on a previous rezone. (Franco Fish Products; File No. 120.1170A)

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Mayor Sutherland moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Council Member Moss. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

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

Ordinance No. 23903

Amending Section 1.30.570 of the Official Code relative to City service retirement to eliminate references to mandatory retirement at age 70.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading on July 28, 1987.

Ordinance No. 23904

Establishing, ratifying, modifying and confirming rates and charges for railway switching and services performed by the Tacoma Municipal Belt Line Railway.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading on July 28, 1987.

Ordinance No. 23905

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the U.S. Department of Labor in the amount of \$12,500.00, depositing said sum in the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund, transferring \$5,000.00 from the General Fund to the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund, and appropriating \$17,500.00 for a contract with the Martin Luther King Ecumenical Center to provide case management outreach services to homeless veterans.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading on July 28, 1987.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Purchase Resolution No. 29676

Awarding Contracts to:

1. Econolite Control Products, Inc., on their bid of \$22,217.38 for loop detector amplifiers - Specification No. G-037-87;
2. Rejecting all bids on the Tacoma Dome parking lot construction - Specification No. G-235-87;
3. Delchem Equipment, Inc., on their bid of \$300,546.40 for a Rapidrain Size 6 sludge processing system - Single Source; and
4. City of Bonney Lake on their bid of \$2,800.00 for a surplus 1984 Ford LTD police patrol vehicle.

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Mayor Sutherland moved that the Purchase Resolution be adopted, including waving the formal bidding procedures on Purchase Item No. 3. Seconded by Council Member Hyde.

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

Voice vote was taken and carried on the Purchase Resolution. The Purchase Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 29678

Authorizing the execution of a rail switching services contract with the Chehalis Western Railroad Company for the switching of log cars from the Chehalis Western Railroad to the Tacoma Sort Yard and other industries located on the Belt Line trackage.

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

Resolution No. 29679

Authorizing the execution of an Addendum to the Operating Agreement with the Port of Tacoma to extend the merged rail operation for an additional two years.

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

Resolution No. 29680

Transferring \$20,891 from the General Fund to the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department to fund a Vector Control Program.

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

Resolution No. 29681

Adopting the 1987-1992 Capital Improvement Program.

Mayor Sutherland moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried, with Deputy Mayor Rasmussen abstaining. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 29682

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with Milliman & Robertson, Inc., to provide actuarial consultation services for the Retirement Fund through December 31, 1987.

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

Resolution No. 29683

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with The Northern Trust Company for the custody of securities for the Retirement Fund through June 30, 1988.

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

Resolution No. 29684

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with Nesby & Associates in the amount of \$25,800.00 to provide specialized cultural awareness training for the Tacoma Police Department.

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

Resolution No. 29685

Authorizing the execution of the Ninth, Tenth, and Eleventh Amendments to the Consulting Engineering Agreement with PRC Consoer, Townsend & Associates for consulting engineering services for the Central Wastewater Treatment Plant.

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

Resolution No. 29686

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with Entranco Engineers, Inc., in the amount of \$88,285.00 to prepare an environmental impact statement for the Tacoma Union Station project.

Mayor Sutherland moved to continue Resolution No. 29686 to the meeting of July 28, 1987. Seconded by Council Member Harnick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

The Resolution will be considered at the regular City Council meeting of July 28, 1987.

Resolution No. 29687

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with Chalker Engineers, Inc., in the amount of \$70,781.00 relative to the restoration of the Tacoma Union Station.

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Mayor Sutherland moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Warrick. Voice vote was taken and carried with Deputy Mayor Rasmussen abstaining. The Resolution was declared adopted.

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REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER:

Erling O. Mork, City Manager, stated there were two items for the Council to consider.

Robert Backstein, City Attorney, stated that he had a motion for claim settlement of Millie Nelson Mosely for the Council to consider.

Mayor Sutherland moved to that the settlement of the claim of Millie Nelson Mosely in the amount of \$7,200.00 be authorized in accordance with the recommendation of the City Attorney. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rasmussen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Erling O. Mork, City Manager, stated that the Personnel/Labor Relations Director had two residency waivers requests to present to the Council.

Richard Sokolowski, Personnel/Labor Relations Director, stated that he was requesting a one-year extension of the residency waivers for the unclassified appointive position of Assistant Water Superintendent for Mr. John Kerner and a one-year extension for the position of Public Utilities Director for Mr. Ted Coates.

After discussion, Mayor Sutherland moved to grant an extension of the residency waiver for a period not to exceed six months for the two positions. Seconded by Council Member Stenger. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL:

Deputy Mayor Rasmussen moved to excuse Council Member Mykland from the City Council meeting of July 14, 1987. Seconded by Mayor Sutherland. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Council Member Warrick stated that last week he was invited to an Upper Tacoma Renaissance Association meeting at which time the group suggested that the Council review the possibility of allowing building construction on 25-foot lots. Mr. Warrick noted that a program similar to this was successful in Portland, Oregon. Mr. Warrick requested that the planning staff look into possible City Code changes and to explore the feasibility of this being allowed in Tacoma.

Mayor Sutherland stated that the City of Seattle had experiences with the 25-foot building lots and indicated there were some problems in this area. He stated that the matter should be fully studied before any Code changes.

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Mayor Sutherland stated that the City Council budget workshop would be held after the City Council meeting in the Council Conference Room.

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On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

ATTEST:

*Genelle Birk*  
for GENELLE BIRK, CITY CLERK

*Doug Sutherland*  
DOUG SUTHERLAND, MAYOR

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