

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
November 8, 1978

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

Present on roll call: 8 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker. Absent: 1 - Kirby. Councilman Kirby arrived at 5:15 p.m.

The Flag Salute was led by Campfire Girl Michon Scalf.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the special and regular meetings of October 31, 1978.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 25373

Setting Monday, November 27, 1978, at 5:00 p.m. as the date for hearing L.I.D. 8244 for asphaltic concrete pavement on North Verde from North 10th to North 11th Street, North 10th from North Oakes to North Anderson Street; and in alley between North Bennett and North Shirley Street from North 14th to North 18th Street.

Resolution No. 25374

Setting Monday, November 27, 1978, at 5:00 p.m. as the date for hearing L.I.D. 8245 for permanent pavement on South 70th Street from South Wapato to South Prospect Street.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Hearings Examiner agenda for Tuesday, November 7, 1978.
- b. Minutes of the meeting of the Civil Service Board, October 16, 1978.
- c. Minutes of the meetings of the City Beautification Committee, September 6, 1978 and October 4, 1978.

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- d. Minutes of the meeting of the Executive Board of the Tacoma-Pierce County Civic Arts Commission, October 12, 1978.
- e. Minutes of the meeting of the Tacoma-Pierce County Civic Arts Commission, October 19, 1978.
- f. Minutes of the meeting of the Pierce County Port Commissioners, October 26, 1978.
- g. Department of Emergency Services Personnel and Administrative Claim, October 26, 1978.
- h. Report of the Purchases and Sales of Investment of the Tacoma Employes' Retirement System, October, 1978.
- i. Personnel Department Report to Administrative Officials, August, 1978.
- j. Work Report of the Tacoma-Pierce County Humane Society & S.P.C.A., September, 1978.
- k. Urban Development Action Grant for Tacoma's Sheraton Hotel Parking addition.
- l. Preliminary Budget - General Government - 1979.
- m. Preliminary Budget - Public Utilities - 1979.

Mayor Parker moved to amend the Consent Agenda, Resolution Nos. 25373 and 25374, to change the date of hearing L.I.D.'s 8244 and 8245 from Monday, November 27th to December 11, 1978 at 5:00 p.m. Seconded by Councilman Schroeder. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Councilwoman Bichsel moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Seconded by Councilman Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The items were declared approved.

Mayor Parker moved to change the dates of hearing of the Assessment Roll for L.I.D. 5569, which had previously been set as Monday, November 27, 1978, to December 11, 1978 at 5:00 p.m., and to change the hearing date on Assessment Roll of L.I.D. 8175 from November 27, 1978 to December 11, 1978 at 5:00 p.m. Seconded by Councilman Schroeder. Voice vote was taken and carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. Hearings Examiner recommending denial of request of Robert Owre for reclassification of the west side of Manitou Way approximately 165 feet north of South 40th Street (3926 Manitou Way) from an "R-3: to an "R-4-L" District.

Councilman Nielsen moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Councilwoman Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried.

- b. Landmarks Preservation Commission submitting findings of fact and recommending designation of the old YMCA Building, Fireboat No. 1 and the Medical Arts Building as City of Tacoma Historic Landmarks.

After Council discussion and questions of City Manager, Erling Mork, Mayor Parker asked that Resolutions be brought to the City Council at the next meeting for the Old YMCA Building and the Medical Arts Building, establishing them as historic landmarks.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 21191 (Continued from the meeting of November 1, 1977)

Amending Chapter 6.89 of the Official Code to provide for a tax on "Fund Raising Events."

Dick Newman, Director of Tax & License, asked that this be removed from the agenda as it is no longer applicable to present circumstances.

Councilman Hudson moved that it be removed from the agenda. Seconded by Councilman Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Ordinance was removed from the agenda.

Ordinance No. 21134

Vacating East 36th Street and the alley to the south between East "E" Street and the state highway right-of-way. (Leonard E. Davis)

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. 21419

Vacating a portion of the extra width of Yakima Avenue between South 80th and South 83rd Streets. (Leroy Glunt)

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. 21436

Vacating certain alleys in the vicinity of Green Hills Avenue N.E. and N.E. 53rd Street. (Aaron Litowitz, et al)

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. 21477

Vacating portions of Yakima Avenue between South 80th and South 83rd Streets. (Herbert Heigel)

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. 21527

Amending the salaries of certain classes in the Compensation Plan agreed to by collective bargaining and establishing the class of Police Secretary.

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. 21528

Amending Section 6.52.130 of the Official Code to provide a rate increase for taxicab operators.

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. 21530

Authorizing execution of a grant award agreement in the amount of \$9,973.00 with the National Institute of Mental Health for the purpose of providing funding for the South End Youth Services Bureau; appropriating \$8,261.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the General Fund to the South End Youth Services Bureau Fund and appropriating \$18,234.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary from the South End Youth Services Bureau Fund and authorizing execution of an agreement with the Comprehensive Mental Health Center for the continuation of the South End Youth Services Bureau for its fifth year.

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.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 21531

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to reclassify the area east of Hosmer Street and approximately 300 feet north of South 90th Street from an "R-2" to an "R-2-T" District.
(Byron D. Keely)

Councilman Warnick moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Councilman Schroeder. Voice vote was taken and carried.

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

Ordinance No. 21532

Amending Section 6.68.050 of the Official Code to clarify the tax classification of tangible personal property which does not include an option to purchase.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 21533

Amending Section 6.60.060 of the Official Code relating to dog license fees.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

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Ordinance No. 21534

Authorizing execution of amended capital grant in the sum of \$1,102,196 with the U.S. Department of Transportation; appropriating the sum of \$158,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the Transit 4400 Fund to the Transit Capital Improvement Fund 4470 for the purpose of providing a portion of matching funds and appropriating the sum of \$1,313,624 from the Transit Capital Improvement Fund for the purchase of 33 new buses.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

RESOLUTIONS:

Purchase Resolution No. 25375

Awarding contracts to:

1. Woodworth & Company on its bid of \$80,230.00 for W.O. #GD3960 Crushing, Hauling and Stockpiling Aggregate Material;

And rejection all bids on:

2. Radio communication equipment.

Councilman Schroeder moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Councilwoman Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 25376

Authorizing execution of a grant application to the Region V Area Agency on Aging for a grant in the sum of \$13,714 to provide additional demand-responsive transportation services for senior citizens in the City of Tacoma.

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

Resolution No. 25377

Authorizing execution of an agreement with the Metropolitan Park District to provide for architectural barriers removal at Peck Field, Lincoln Park, South Park, Wright Park and Wapato Park in accordance with the Community Development Plan 1978-79.

Councilman Strege moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Councilwoman Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

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Resolution No. 25378

Authorizing execution of an agreement with the Weyerhaeuser Company to provide for the sale of waste paper to Weyerhaeuser Company for recycling purposes.

Councilman Schroeder moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Councilwoman Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 25379

Authorizing execution of an amendment to the agreement with the Tacoma Urban League providing for training services to eligible veterans to September 30, 1979.

Councilman Evans moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Councilman Strege. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 25380

Authorizing execution of agreements with the Union Pacific and Burlington Northern Railroads for railroad track crossings on East "D", 15th and St. Paul Avenue.

Councilwoman Bichsel moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Councilman Strege. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 25381

Authorizing release of a portion of sewer easement in the vicinity of South 94th and "J" Streets.

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

Resolution No. 25382

Appointing 21 members to the Mayor's Veterans' Employment Task Force.

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

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Councilwoman Bichsel moved to reconsider Resolution No. 25372, stating she voted on the prevailing side when it was adopted last week. Seconded by Councilman Schroeder. Roll call vote was taken on the motion to reconsider, resulting in Ayes: 5 - Bichsel, Hudson, Nielsen, Schroeder and Warnick. Nays: 4 - Evans, Kirby, Strege and Mayor Parker. The motion carried.

Resolution No. 25372

Authorizing a study of the feasibility of acquiring approximately eleven acres of property in the vicinity of Wapato Park for open space and costs of the study to be paid for from Community Development funds.

Councilman Strege moved to continue the Resolution for one week. Seconded by Councilman Kirby. Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows: Ayes: 4 - Evans, Kirby, Strege and Mayor Parker. Nays: 5 - Bichsel, Hudson, Nielsen, Schroeder and Warnick. The motion failed.

Roll call vote was taken to adopt the Resolution, resulting in Ayes: 4 - Evans, Kirby, Strege and Mayor Parker. Nays: 5 - Bichsel, Hudson, Nielsen, Schroeder and Warnick. The motion was declared failed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS:

- a. This is the date set for hearing on proposed construction and reconstruction of various sidewalks in the City.

Ron Button, Director of Public Works, reviewed for Council the proposal for sidewalk repairs and answered questions of Council members.

No one from the public appeared to speak.

Councilman Schroeder moved that the hearing be closed. Seconded by Councilman Hudson.

- b. This is the date set for hearing the appeal of Al's Used Cars on the Hearings Examiner's recommendation of denial of their request for vacation of South 35th Street between South Tacoma Way and Pine Street.

Gary Sullivan, Hearings Examiner, advised that Al's Used Cars has asked that the hearing be continued.

Councilman Nielsen moved that the hearing be continued to December 5, 1978. Seconded by Councilwoman Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried.

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REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER:

City Manager Erling Mork, reported on the State of the City. He reviewed the impact of Federal Legislation, issues and accomplishments and said the economic health of the City is extremely good and that substantial strides have been made in 1978 to further serve the citizens. He pointed out the increase in building permits and population; expansion of the Port and the Tacoma Mall and the plans for the proposed new hotel and law center.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Deputy Mayor Warnick referred to the subject of L.I.D.'s formed as a result of developments in various sections of the City and the effect felt by many citizens who are being forced to accept the improvement and eventually being paid for by the estate. He suggested a study session to discuss this policy to find out if there are better solutions to the problem.

Deputy Mayor Warnick said it has been brought to his attention that an I-5 freeway off ramp is being planned on 72nd & 84th Streets, and asked for the opportunity for Council's review. He was advised that the City Manager would respond to this by memo.

Mayor Parker advised that a TV tape has been prepared that closely parallel's the accomplishments as outlined in the City Manager's State of the City Message and the tape is available for use by community groups.

On proper motion, the meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.


MIKE PARKER - MAYOR

ATTEST:


H. B. BOND - CITY CLERK