

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
September 16, 1997

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

Present on roll call: 5 - Baarsma, Crowley, McGavick, Miller, and Mayor Ebersole.
Absent: 4 - De Forrest, Evans, Kirby, and Silas (De Forrest, Evans, and Silas arrived at 5:08 p.m. and Kirby arrived at 5:09 p.m.).

The Flag Salute was led by Deputy Mayor Baarsma.

(Council Members De Forrest, Evans, and Silas arrived at 5:08 p.m.)

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the Tacoma City Council meeting of August 12, 1997.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- a. Hearing Examiner's Agenda of September 16, 1997.
- b. Minutes of the Commission on Children, Youth and Families, July 10, 1997.
- c. Minutes of the Library Task Force, August 15, 1997.
- d. Minutes of the Tacoma Pierce County Board of Health, August 6, 1997.
- e. Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority, including Resolution No. 2-97.
- f. Statements by City employees disclosing remote interests pursuant to Tacoma Municipal Code 1.46.030(O) as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>
Tim Strege	Executive Director, William M. Factory Small Business Incubator

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

(Council Member Kirby arrived at 5:09 p.m.)

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PROCLAMATION

Mayor Ebersole welcomed Deliana Simeonova to Tacoma, extended the Council's best wishes for a successful visit, and presented her with a proclamation.

REGULAR AGENDA

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 26126

Amending Title 10 of the Municipal Code by repealing and reenacting Chapter 10.26 relating to the minority and women's business enterprises; approving the "City of Tacoma Minority and Women's Business Enterprise - Equal Employment Opportunity Regulations"; and directing the City Manager to review the implementation of said regulations within five years.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Evans, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26127

Accepting a grant award contract from the United States Federal Aviation Administration, in the amount of \$162,000; depositing in and appropriating said sum from the Airport Summary Fund; and authorizing the execution of an agreement with Barnard Dunkelberg & Company, in the amount of \$180,000, for the preparation of an Airport Master Plan for the Tacoma Narrows Airport.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Evans, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Ordinance No. 26128

Amending Title 1 of the Municipal Code by adding a new chapter to be known as Chapter 1.80, "Youth Building Tacoma Training and Employment Project"; and establishing the "Youth Building Tacoma Training and Employment Program" to promote the development of a trained work force in the City, particularly in the Empowerment Zone/Enterprise Community; and directing the City Manager and Director of Public Utilities to allocate funds in the mid-biennial modification to the City's 1997-1998 Biennial Budget.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Evans, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26129

Amending Chapters 1.06 and 1.23 of the Municipal Code to reflect the repeal of Chapter 13.03 and the adoption of Chapter 1.70 relative to the Hearing Examiner's areas of jurisdiction.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Evans, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26130

Amending Chapter 11.05 of the Municipal Code to reduce the speed limits on North M Street between Division Avenue and North Steele Street from 30 mph to 25 mph; and on South Hosmer Street between South 72nd and South 84th Streets from 40 mph to 35 mph.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Evans, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Ordinance No. 26131

Authorizing the execution of an interest-bearing loan from the General Fund to the Baseball Park Capital Reserve Fund, in the amount of \$450,000; appropriating said sum from the Baseball Park Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement of the playing surface at Cheney Stadium; 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 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Evans, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 33822 (Continued from the meeting of September 9, 1997.)

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Tacoma Art Museum, in the amount of \$60,000, for site planning for the proposed new museum located in the vicinity of South 16th Street and Pacific Avenue.

Council Member Miller moved to continue Resolution No. 33822 to a date to be determined. Seconded by Council Member Crowley. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Council Member Miller moved to direct staff to initiate discussions with the Art Museum and General Services Administration (GSA) with the expectation of achieving a Memorandum of Understanding that would establish the basis under which the site might be useable for an art museum. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 33826 (Continued from the meeting of September 9, 1997.)

Authorizing the execution of an amendment to the agreement with Land Recovery, Inc.; in the amount of \$8,300,000, for municipal solid waste disposal services through December 31, 1999.

Council Member Miller moved to suspend the rules to consider Substitute Resolution No. 33826. Seconded by Council Member Crowley. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Council Member Miller moved to adopt Substitute Resolution No. 33826. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Baarsma.

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Speaking before the Council were:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Norm Weeding	Representative for Waste Management Company
Dan Syrdal	Attorney for Land Recovery, Inc.
Norm LeMay	LeMay, Inc.
Mozella Pooley	8041 East Sherwood

Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted. Council Member De Forrest was absent from the dais during the discussion and vote of Resolution No. 33826.

Purchase Resolution No. 33827

Awarding contracts to:

1. Diamond Electric, Inc., on its bid of \$153,138.95, for pedestrian lighting for the Upper Tacoma Business District - Specification No. G-222-97;
2. Brodsky's Uniforms & Equipment, on its bid of \$27,642, for nomex trousers for the Fire Department - Specification No. G-042-97;
3. Golf Landscaping, Inc., on its bid of \$454,000, for the Cheney Stadium baseball field renovation - Specification No. G-236-97;
4. Marine Industries Northwest, Inc., on its bid of \$55,280, for the semi-annual removal, hull cleaning, and repair of the fireboats - Specification No. G-043-97; and
5. Mid-Mountain Contractors, Inc., on its bid of \$156,509.05, for sanitary sewer connections on Marine View Drive (SR509) between East 11th Street and Heron Ridge Drive NE - Specification No. G-225-97.

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

Resolution No. 33828

Declaring surplus and authorizing the sale of two 1981 Mack fire engines, in the amount of \$14,000, to Pierce County Fire District No. 16, and one 1982 Mack pumper/telesquirt, in the amount of \$11,000, to Grant County Fire District No. 5.

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

Resolution No. 33829

Authorizing the execution of Subscription Agreements with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, relating to the IBEW District No. 9 Trust Agreement, to permit employees to participate in a supplemental pension plan.

Council Member Crowley moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member McGavick.

Speaking before the Council were:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Phyllis Barrett	912 South Cushman
David Dye	Business Representative, IBEW Local 483

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

Resolution No. 33830

Adopting a revised deferred compensation plan to incorporate changes resulting from federal legislation to Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code.

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

Resolution No. 33831

Creating a trust to hold funds of the City of Tacoma Deferred Compensation Plan.

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

Resolution No. 33832

Amending the Consolidated Plan for the Community Development Block Grant program by reallocating \$50,000 of Community Development Block Grant funds from the Fire Sprinkler Loan Fund program to the Cascade Community Health project; and authorizing the execution of an agreement with Cascade Community Health for the development of a clinic in the McKinley Hill area to provide healthcare services for low-income residents.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER

Deputy City Manager James Walton reported that CityLine, TV Tacoma's call-in talk show, will be moving to Thursday evenings, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., starting this week, to make it more convenient for people to call in and make comments, and for the City Council to participate in the program. He then commented on the request made by the Labor Council regarding 15 percent of labor hours being for principal trades. He said he supports this issue and that the local employment and training committee that has been set up has been discussing and researching this issue. Mr. Walton stated that he hoped that before the end of the year the committee would present the Council with a recommendation in this regard.

Deputy City Manager Walton requested an Executive Session to discuss pending litigation and real property.

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COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Ebersole expressed condolences, on behalf of the City Council, to the Ladenburg family on the death of Mrs. Ladenburg. He stated that she was a wonderful person who will be greatly missed.

Mayor Ebersole announced that next week's City Council meeting of September 23, 1997, will be held at the Tacoma Dome Exhibition Hall, followed by the Summer Library Reading Awards program.

Council Member Kirby stated that he received a computer disk containing the personnel information that was supplied to the media. He stated that he had also received a disk from a member of the media which contained the personnel information requested. He noted that the two disks were not the same and wanted to know if there was anything on the disk received from staff that is not public information.

City Attorney Robin Jenkinson stated that the Legal Department had reviewed part of that disk, but that it had ultimately gone through Human Resources. She stated that the disk would need to be reviewed again.

Council Member Kirby said that if there was anything on the disk from staff that he had not originally received on the disk from the media, he would call and find out if any of the information provided to him from staff was not public information.

Council Member De Forrest, directing his remarks to Deputy City Manager Walton, stated that he had been at a Neighborhood Council meeting last night and the discussion of the Eastside Levy Neighborhood Bonds came up. He said he had a couple of questions for staff, on which they could get back to him. He stated it had been pointed out to the Neighborhood Council that they must allocate and/or expend their allocation of \$750,000 within a three-year period. He said he was curious about the three-year period, since these are 20-year bonds. He then asked, if the Eastside Neighborhood Council does not expend its \$750,000 within the three-year period, or they spend most of it towards the end of that three-year period, are they accumulating interest on that money and, if so, does the interest stay in the Neighborhood District or does it go to some other program?

Council Member De Forrest stated that it had been brought to his attention that Evergreen State College has eliminated the Masters Program for education in their Tacoma Branch. He said he would like for staff to put together a Resolution urging the Board of Trustees of Evergreen to reconsider their actions.

Council Member Evans stated that on Saturday he attended the first day of a two-day Northwest Tribal Pow Wow. He stated it was a good public relations program, but received little publicity. He stated it was supported entirely by the management of Freighthouse Square and that people had come from as far as the upper end of Vancouver Island and Montana. He said that many Tribal cultures were there dancing and showing their crafts. He said this event was the kind of thing that enriches the City and should be recorded for tourism.

Council Member Miller reminded everyone that it was Primary Election night and encouraged the viewers to go out and vote.

Deputy Mayor Baarsma said he had the pleasure of standing in for Mayor Ebersole at the Sheraton Hotel on Sunday, where he represented the City before the 45th Annual Convention of the Veterans of World War I. He said he was declared an official buddy and at the end of the session, people broke out in the song, "Over There."

Deputy Mayor Baarsma then said that the Library Task Force has been meeting on a regular basis over the last several months. He stated that they have on the table about 12 or 13

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recommendations, some of which are reflected in the minutes in the Friday Council packets. He said there will be a final product and that it was his hope and expectation that the Board, the Council and the Library system of General Government move closer together in a collaborative way.

Council Member Silas said she had recently received a telephone call concerning the unfunded mandate as far as Tacoma Public Utilities (TPU) is concerned. She said it was her understanding that the members of the City Council asked that the mandate be placed on the billing. She said that one of her constituents told her that it is no longer there and would like it placed back on the billing. Council Member Silas stated that this issue is being worked on.

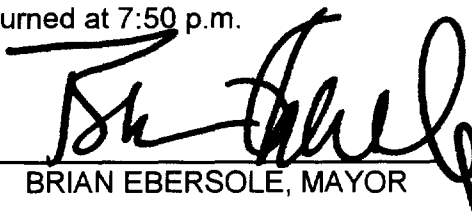
Council Member Evans stated that on Sunday he attended the celebration of the life of Mother Theresa at St. Luke's. He said it was impressive in that every faith was represented there and that it was a good recognition for a great lady.

Mayor Ebersole said that tomorrow morning at 10 a.m. at the History Museum in the amphitheater there will be the kick-off of the Dale Chihuly Art Bridge.

Deputy Mayor Baarsma moved to convene to Executive Session to discuss pending litigation and real property, the session not to exceed 30 minutes. Seconded by Council Member Silas. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Council convened to Executive Session at 7:00 p.m. At 7:30 p.m. Mayor Ebersole extended the Executive Session for another 20 minutes. The Council reconvened at 7:50 p.m.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.


BRIAN EBERSOLE, MAYOR

ATTEST: 
RICK ROSENBLADT, CITY CLERK

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