



City Council Minutes

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City Council Chambers, 747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma, Washington 98402

May 7, 2002

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

Present on roll call: 9 – Evans, Ladenburg, Lonergan, McGavick, Miller, Moss, Phelps, Talbert, and Mayor Baarsma.

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member Talbert.

C O N S E N T A G E N D A

Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of April 16, 2002, and study session of April 23, 2002.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 35500

Setting Tuesday, May 21, 2002, at approximately 5:30 p.m., as the date for a public hearing by the City Council regarding the transfer by AT&T Broadband of its cable franchise to a new entity to be known as AT&T Comcast Corporation.

Resolution No. 35506

Authorizing the submittal of a grant application to the Washington State Department of Ecology, in the amount of \$446,250, for projects relating to solid waste planning activities, including Waste Reduction and Recycling and Hazardous Waste remediation.

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APPEAL

Ms. Gabrielle Smith and Ms. Nancie Doyle, representing the Central Neighborhood Council appealing the recommendation of the Hearing Examiner relative to the request to reclassify the property located at 2240 South Steel Street from a "T" Transitional District to an "R-4" Multiple-Family Dwelling District for the proposed development of a 35-unit condominium project. (Tyler Gazecki; File No. REZ2001-00004)

Setting Tuesday, June 11, 2002, at approximately 5:30 p.m., as the date for the appeal before the City Council.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- a. Minutes of the Committee of the Whole, April 23, 2002.
- b. Minutes of the Human Rights Commission, March 21 and April 3, 2002.
- c. Minutes of the LESA Executive Board, January 16, as amended, and February 20, 2002.
- d. Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session and meeting, April 10, 2002.
- e. Monthly Financial Reports for the Conservation Project Fund, Data Processing Fund, Fleet Services Fund, Geographic Information System Fund, Self-Insurance Claim Fund, Tacoma Power, Tacoma Rail, and Tacoma Water, February 2002; and Annual Reports for the Light Division and Water Division.

Deputy Mayor McGavick moved to amend the appeal hearing date from June 11, 2002 to June 18, 2002. Seconded by Council Member Miller. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Deputy Mayor McGavick moved that the Consent Agenda, as amended, including Resolution Nos. 35500 and 35506, be approved. Seconded by Council Member Miller. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda, as amended, including Resolution Nos. 35500 and 35506, was declared approved.

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Baarsma proclaimed May 5-11, 2002, to be "Bids for Kids Week" and presented proclamations to Suzanne Molt and Sarah Miller, Co-Chairs of the Jean Cunningham Guild. He also recognized Mary Quinlan and Debbie Hillman, parents of children who benefit from the program.

Mayor Baarsma proclaimed May 6-12, 2002, to be "National Nurses Week" and presented the proclamation to Betty Blondin, President of the Pierce County Nurses Association.

Mayor Baarsma proclaimed May 5-11, 2002, to be "National Tourism Week" and presented the proclamation to Ruthie Reinert, Executive Director of the Tacoma Regional Convention and Visitor Bureau.

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Mayor Baarsma proclaimed May 19-22, 2002 to be "Public Works Week" and presented the proclamation to Mr. Bill Pugh, Director of Public Works.

REGULAR AGENDA

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Substitute Ordinance No. 26936

Amending Title 16 of the Municipal Code relating to telecommunications and cable systems by repealing and re-enacting Title 16 to be entitled "Cable Systems, Open Video Systems, Telecommunications Systems, and Private Communications Systems" for the regulation of cable open video and private communications systems and to comply with federal and state law.

Council Member Miller moved to continue Substitute Ordinance No. 26936 to the meeting of May 21, 2002. Seconded by Deputy Mayor McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Substitute Ordinance No. 26936 will be considered at the regular City Council meeting of May 21, 2002.

Ordinance No. 26952

Providing for the issuance and sale of Unlimited Tax General Obligation bonds, in the principal amount not to exceed \$34,300,000, to acquire, construct, improve, and equip a new police headquarters and four neighborhood substations throughout the City as approved by the qualified electors at the special election held on February 5, 2002.

Deputy Mayor McGavick moved to suspend the rules to consider Substitute Ordinance No. 26953. Seconded by Council Member Miller. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 – Evans, Ladenburg, Lonergan, McGavick, Miller, Moss, Phelps, Talbert, and Mayor Baarsma

Nays: 0

The Substitute Ordinance was declared passed.

RESOLUTIONS

Purchase Resolution No. 35501

Awarding contracts to:

1. PCT Construction, Inc., on its bid of \$1,373,966.36, for the East 26th Street Bridge rehabilitation and seismic upgrade – Specification No. G-217-02;
2. Philip Services Corporation, dba Resource Recovery Corporation, on its bid of \$81,615.00, for the City of Tacoma/Pierce County electronics collection and recycling event – Specification No. G-011-02; and
3. TEC Construction, Inc., on its bid of \$175,227.50, for the Tacoma Fire Communications/Emergency Operations Center electrical system upgrade – Specification No. G-216-02.

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

Resolution No. 35502

Authorizing the execution of an amendment to the 1996 Supplemental Agreement with the Port of Tacoma to transfer loan payments back to Tacoma Rail in return for the Port of Tacoma's ownership of the North Intermodal Support Yard allowing Tacoma Rail to maintain its rates at lower levels.

Deputy Mayor McGavick moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Miller.

Speaking before Council was:

Name	Address/Affiliation
Allen Douglas	612 South 18 th Street, Apt. 5

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

Resolution No. 35503

Approving Tacoma Water's participation in the Green River Forum and authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Agreement, in the amount of \$24,500, for participation in said Forum to monitor the impact of programs on Tacoma Water's operations in the upper Green River Basin.

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

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Resolution No. 35504

Authorizing the execution of a First Amended Commuter Rail Agreement with Sound Transit for use of City-owned rail, near Freighthouse Square, for commuter rail service.

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

Resolution No. 35505

Authorizing the submittal of the 2002 Annual Action Plan of the Consolidated Plan to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Council Member Phelps moved to amend the 2002 Annual Action Plan of the Consolidated Plan on page 15, by reducing the amount of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding allocated to the Martin Luther King Housing Development Association (MLKHDA)/King Center – Men’s and Women’s Overnight Emergency Shelters from \$30,528 to \$29,089; thereby reducing funding by \$1,439 and reducing the subtotal of Public Services funding from \$466,650 to \$465,211; and on page 47, reduce the amount of CDBG funds allocated to MLKHDA/King Center – Men’s and Women’s Overnight Emergency Shelters from \$30,528 to \$29,089, and reduce the Total funding reflected on that page from \$50,528 to \$49,089; and on page 64, increase the amount of CDBG Public Services Contingency funds from \$30,000, to \$31,439. Seconded by Deputy Mayor McGavick.

Council Member Lonergan recused himself from the discussion and left the Chambers.

Voice vote was taken and carried, with Council Member Talbert voting in opposition and Council Member Lonergan recused. The motion was declared adopted.

Deputy Mayor McGavick moved that the Resolution, as amended, be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Miller. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution, as amended, was declared adopted, with Council Member Talbert voting in opposition and Council Member Lonergan recused. The motion was declared adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER

City Manager Ray E. Corpuz, Jr. stated the Tacoma Link Construction update is on the City’s web page at Cityoftacoma.org, under current news, where there is a new link entitle “Road Construction Updates.” He stated other transportation projects can also be found on the web page.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL

Deputy Mayor McGavick stated she represented the Mayor last week at the Slavic Christian Center, and that Senator Paull Shin, 21st District, also attended. She stated

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the event was a good example of how ethnic groups meld together in our society. She stated she also attended a prayer breakfast, which had a wonderful speaker and good music.

Council Member Phelps encouraged citizens to make an extra effort to support the merchants and businesses in the construction area on Pacific Avenue. He stated the University of Washington has opened up additional parking in the area, at least two lanes will be open to traffic at all times, and the shuttle is operating from early in the morning until early evening.

Council Member Talbert stated there is an opening on the Urban Policy Committee and encouraged people, especially those in the East or South End of Tacoma to apply. He believed the deadline to be May 13 and that applications could be obtained from Mary Hodgman in the Council office at 591-5100.

Council Member Miller stated Mother's Day would be a good day to support the businesses in the lower Pacific Avenue area. He also stated he would like to see the Arts Commission establish a program enabling local artists to showcase their art in the Council Chambers.

Council Member Moss recognized students in the audience who attended the Council meeting.

Council Member Lonergan discussed the Meth Summit held May 6, 2002, and credited Lisa O'Hanlon, Safe Streets, for successful coordination of the event. He stated he is a member of the Safe Streets Board and that they are working hard to decrease the number of Meth manufacturing centers. He stated he attended a kickoff event for Potter's House, founded by Ruth and Kristi Anderson, to help runaway youth in the community. Council Member Lonergan noted the passing of Janabea Wilson, the mother of former Council Member Dolores Silas. He stated the funeral would be Friday, 2:30 p.m., at Mt. View.

Mayor Baarsma attended the roll out advertising campaign to encourage businesses in northern Washington to consider moving to Tacoma. He thanked Juli Wilkerson, director of Tacoma Economic Development, and Dan Voelpel, communications supervisor of General Services, along with their staff, for the terrific job. He stated the advertising was being seen, heard, and read on many television stations, radios, and newspapers.

Mayor Baarsma extended his appreciation to the 75 people he joined with on the Hilltop for Operation Clean Sweep and was glad to report that there was much less litter this year.

Council Member Ladenburg stated she attended the Law Enforcement Memorial Service honoring officers, since the inception of our State, who have died in the line of duty.

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CITIZENS' FORUM

Citizens' Forum began at 6:14 p.m.

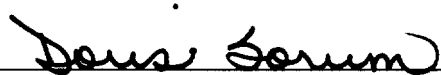
Speaking before the Council were:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Allen Douglas	612 So. 18 th St., Apt. 5	Dedication for American Freedom
Kip Clinton	230 Tacoma Ave. So.; Clinton's Music	City-owned property
Phyllis Barrett	912 So. Cushman Ave.	Fire Department audit
Julie Anderson	5206 Tower Dr. NE	Support of Gay Rights Ordinance; business impacts on Pacific Ave.; Dome District

Citizens' Forum closed at 6:24 p.m.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:24 p.m.


 WILLIAM H. BAARSMA, MAYOR

ATTEST: 
 DORIS SORUM, CITY CLERK