



City Council Minutes

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

October 20, 1998

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m.

Present on roll call: 8 - Baarsma, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Phelps, Silas, and Deputy Mayor Crowley. Absent: 1 - Mayor Ebersole.

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member McGavick.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the City Council study session of October 6, 1998.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- a. Hearing Examiner's Agenda, October 27, 1998.
- b. Minutes of the Citizens Recognition Committee, June 22, 1998.
- c. Minutes of the Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority, August 27, September 10 and 24, 1998.
- d. Minutes of the Tacoma-Pierce County Board of Health, September 2, 1998.
- e. Minutes of the Urban Policy Committee, August 13 and September 10, 1998.
- f. Report of the Director of Finance, August 1998.

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

PROCLAMATION

Deputy Mayor Crowley proclaimed the day of October 24, 1998, as "Make a Difference Day" and presented the proclamation to Ms. Marion Weed.

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RECOGNITION

Tom Aldrich, ASARCO, and Jim Merritt, Merritt + Pardini, presented a plaque to the City of Tacoma for the Tacoma Smelter Site Master Plan.

Deputy Mayor Crowley recognized the visitors from Russia who were here representing the "Women's Connective Leadership Project."

REGULAR AGENDA

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 26274

Vacating a portion of the alley between East 25th and East 26th Streets, east of A Street, to the I-705 freeway to consolidate the properties and eliminate the right-of-way. (Equity Residential Properties; File No. 124.1071)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Phelps, Silas, and Deputy Mayor Crowley

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Mayor Ebersole

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26302

Granting Murrey's Disposal Company Inc., the franchise, right, privilege, and authority to maintain, conduct, and operate a garbage collection and disposal business within areas in the City of Tacoma annexed in 1998.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Phelps, Silas, and Deputy Mayor Crowley

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Mayor Ebersole

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Ordinance No. 26304

Accepting a second year Juvenile Justice Grant from the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, in the amount of \$102,758 and \$10,000, in class fees; depositing in and appropriating said sums from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund to continue a crime-free housing education and certification program.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Phelps, Silas, and Deputy Mayor Crowley

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Mayor Ebersole

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26305

Authorizing the execution of a grant award contract with the Economic Development Administration, in the amount of \$90,000; depositing in and appropriating said sum from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund to fund activities to support Tacoma's business districts.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Phelps, Silas, and Deputy Mayor Crowley

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Mayor Ebersole

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26306

Authorizing the execution of a grant award agreement with the Puyallup Tribe of Indians, in the amount of \$80,000; depositing in and appropriating said sum from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund to coordinate the implementation of community infrastructure projects within the Tacoma Dome, McKinley and Lower Portland business districts.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Phelps, Silas, and Deputy Mayor Crowley

Nays: 0

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Absent: 1 – Mayor Ebersole

The Ordinance was declared passed.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 26307

Vacating the alley right-of-way between East 30th and East 31st Streets, east of Portland Avenue, a distance of 57 feet, to consolidate the property. (Simon Johnson, LLC; File No. 124.1076)

Council Member Miller moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading to a date to be determined.

Ordinance No. 26308

Vacating a portion of Cascade Avenue south of North 13th Street and north of South 10th Street to combine the vacated right-of-way with abutting property. (Hugh Askren; File No. 124.1066)

Council Member Miller moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading to a date to be determined.

Ordinance No. 26309

Amending the Municipal Code by repealing and reenacting Chapter 3.02 regulating hazards of life and property from fire and explosion arising from storage, handling and use of hazardous substances, materials and devices and from conditions hazardous to life and property in the use or occupancy of buildings or premises; providing for the issuance of permits and penalties and adopting the 1997 Edition of the Uniform Fire Code.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 26310

Amending the Municipal Code by repealing and reenacting Chapter 2.02 regulating the erection, construction, enlargement, alteration, repair, moving, removal, conversion, demolition, occupancy, equipment, use, height, area and maintenance of buildings or structures; providing for the issuance of permits and penalties and adopting the 1997 Edition of the Uniform Building Code.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

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Ordinance No. 26311

Amending the Municipal Code by repealing and reenacting Chapter 2.07 regulating the construction, installation, maintenance and demolition of heating, ventilating, comfort cooling and refrigeration systems and adopting the 1997 Edition of the Uniform Mechanical Code.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 26312

Amending Chapter 2.06 of the Municipal Code relating to building and plumbing; and adopting the 1997 Edition of the Uniform Plumbing Code and the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials Installation Standards.

Speaking before the Council was:

Name	Address/Affiliation
John Walston	Vice President, United Steel Workers of America, Local 7945

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 26313

Amending Chapter 1.30 of the Municipal Code relating to the Retirement Code and clarifying the term disability and defining when actuarial valuations and actuarial investigations will be performed.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

RESOLUTIONS

Purchase Resolution No. 34205

Awarding contracts to:

1. Lucent Technologies, Inc., on its bid of \$85,078.13, for Lucent Definity Prologix Solution Telephone Extension for the Tacoma Police Sector Four and the Police Resource Center – Sole Source;
2. Mid-Mountain Contractors, Inc., in the amount of \$74,000, to increase its contract for additional improvements to the T Street Erosion Control Project – Phase 1 – Specification No. G-14-97; and
3. Approving the execution of an Interlocal Agreement with the Bear Creek Valley Sanitary Authority.

Council Member Miller moved that the Purchase Resolution, including waiving formal bidding procedures on Item No. 1, be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Baarsma. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Purchase Resolution was declared adopted.

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Resolution No. 34206

Authorizing the execution of agreements with Bankers Trust Company, for the period of January 1 to December 31, 1999, in the amount of \$196,750, for investment services; Denver Investment Advisors, LLC, for the period of January 1 to December 31, 1999, in the amount of \$428,727, for investment services; Edinburgh Fund Managers plc, for the period of January 1 to December 31, 1999, in the amount of \$354,750, for investment services; Frank Russell Company, for the two-year period of January 1, 1999 to December 31, 2000, in the amount of \$60,000, for custodial verification services; Frank Russell Trust Company, for the period of January 1 to December 31, 1999, in the amount of \$250,000, for investment services; Scudder Kemper Investments, Inc., for the period of January 1 to December 31, 1999, in the amount of \$291,809, for investment services; Lend Lease Rosen Real Estate Securities, for the period of January 1 to December 31, 1999, in the amount of \$366,820, for investment services; The Northern Trust Company, for the period of January 1 to December 31, 1999, in the amount of \$104,405, for custodial bank services; and Milliman & Robertson, Inc., for the period of January 1 to December 31, 1999, in the amount of \$71,000, for actuarial services.

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

Speaking before the Council was:

Name	Address/Affiliation
Mozella Pooley	8041 East Sherwood

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

Resolution No. 34207

Authorizing the execution of an Option to Purchase Real Estate with Bates Technical College to purchase City-owned property located in the vicinity of South 74th Street.

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

Speaking before the Council was:

Name	Address/Affiliation
Bill Mohler	President, Bates Technical College

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

Resolution No. 34208

Amending the professional services contract with Hawkins, Delafield & Wood, in the amount of \$19,029.62, for assistance in defending the suit of On The Green Apartments.

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

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Resolution No. 34209

Authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement with Pierce County to accept surplus railroad crossing signal equipment to be used at the Tacoma Eastern Railroad crossing of 50th Avenue East in Fredrickson.

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

Council Member De Forrest moved to suspend the rules to consider additional Resolution No. 34210. Seconded by Council Member Kirby. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 34210

Paying tribute to former Council Member George Cvitanich, and recognizing his history of public service and contributions to the citizens of the City of Tacoma.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER

City Manager Ray E. Corpuz Jr. stated that the City of Tacoma has met with representatives from Kaiser Aluminum regarding the strike at Kaiser Aluminum. He stated that the City of Tacoma has encouraged the plant manager to work for a quick resolution. He stated that the City of Tacoma is concerned over the health and safety issues that surround that site. Mr. Corpuz stated that representatives of Kaiser Aluminum will be advising the City of Tacoma of the status of any outstanding issues. He stated that the City Attorney's Office is looking at Chapter 8.98 of the Municipal Code regarding Professional Strikebreakers and will be getting back to the City Council with an answer on that issue.

City Manager Corpuz noted that one of the visions of the City is to become an international city known for our multicultural population. He stated the City Manager's Office has begun meeting informally with different ethnic groups throughout the city. He stated that the purpose of these meetings is to find out their needs, to open the lines of communication, to create a better understanding of our administration and how the City might improve on addressing their specific needs. He stated that he will continue to report on these meetings as they take place.

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COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL

Council Member Baarsma moved to excuse Mayor Ebersole from tonight's meeting. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Council Member Baarsma stated that last evening he appeared before the Lakewood City Council on behalf of the Rainier Communications Commission to invite the City of Lakewood to join the Rainier Communications Commission and to participate in the Regional Media Center, which is located at Clover Park Technical College. He then described his experience addressing the Lakewood City Council.

Council Member Phelps requested information regarding the purchase by Pierce County of a building on Second Street and Tacoma Avenue. He then asked for clarification as to which Pierce County office would be located there.

Council Member Phelps invited citizens to join him for coffee at Pomodoro's Restaurant on Saturday, October 24, 1998, from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. He also invited citizens to the Community Council's annual retreat which was being held that same day at the main Tacoma Public Library.

Council Member De Forrest stated that Ms. Lois Neitzel passed away last week. He stated that Ms. Neitzel was born and raised in Tacoma and was very active with issues that concerned the Eastside and South Tacoma. He stated that she was active in the Democratic Party and with City Council elections. Council Member De Forrest described Ms. Neitzel as a lovely lady, who never had a bad thing to say about anyone.

Council Member McGavick thanked the Police Department for checking on a reported crack house on the Eastside of Tacoma.

Deputy Mayor Crowley reminded everyone to join Council Member Phelps this Saturday morning for coffee at Pomodoro's Restaurant, from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Mike Crowley

MIKE CROWLEY, DEPUTY MAYOR

Rick Rosenblatt

RICK ROSENBLADT, CITY CLERK

ATTEST:

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