

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
July 1, 1997

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

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

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member Crowley.

Mayor Ebersole announced that the public hearing regarding amendments to sign regulations and billboards will be heard by the City Council at the meeting of July 8, 1997.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the Tacoma City Council meeting of June 10, 1997.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 33755

Approving the final plat for ST. JAMES COURT, located in the vicinity of 48th Avenue NE and 38th Street Court NE, for a 14-lot subdivision. (Litowitz Construction; File No. PLT97-00006)

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- a. Minutes of the Foss Waterway Development Authority , May 1, 1997.
- b. Minutes of the Human Rights Commission, May 15, 1997.
- c. Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, June 11, 1997.
- d. Minutes of the LESA Executive Board, April 16, 1997.
- e. Minutes of the Library Task Force, May 16 and June 6, 1997.
- f. Minutes of the Tacoma Area Task Force on Disabilities, May 22, 1997.
- g. Minutes of the Tacoma Planning Commission, June 4, 1997.
- h. Minutes of the Tacoma Public Library Board of Trustees, May 21, 1997.
- i. Minutes of the Urban Policy Committee, April 10, 1997.

- j. City of Tacoma Consolidated Plan, Final 1997 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development.
- k. Report of the Director of Finance, May 1997.
- l. Monthly Financial Reports for Belt Line Division, Light Division, Water Division, Data Processing Fund, Fleet Services Fund, Self-Insurance Claim Fund, Conservation Project Fund, and Geographic Information System Fund, May 1997.

Council Member Crowley moved that the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 33755, be approved. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 33755, was declared approved.

RECOGNITION

Mayor Ebersole presented Mr. Kitami, General Manager, Tokyu Home Corporation, and Mr. Obuti, Architectural School of Design Manager, a certificate recognizing Tokyu Home Corporation, one of Japan's largest construction firms, for their outstanding commitment to education.

REGULAR AGENDA

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

Resolution No. 33756

Appointing individuals to the Ad Hoc Housing Committee to review and evaluate housing programs supported with City Federal Funds and make recommendations to the City Council by October 31, 1997.

Council Member Crowley moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Baarsma.

Council Member De Forrest moved to amend Exhibit A of Resolution No. 33756 to list David Bley, Fanny Mae Seattle Partnership Office, and George Kovats, Stewardship Foundation, as alternates. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Baarsma. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Voice vote was taken and carried on Resolution No. 33756, including Exhibit A as amended. The Resolution, including Exhibit A as amended, was declared adopted.

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FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Substitute Ordinance No. 26065

Amending Chapter 6.88 of the Municipal Code by imposing and levying a special excise tax of 3 percent for lodging by a hotel, rooming house, tourist court, motel, trailer camp or similar use of property, effective July 15, 1997; and appropriating \$790,000 from the Miscellaneous Special Revenue Fund for the expansion, operation, and marketing of a City of Tacoma major visitor facility.

Deputy Mayor Baarsma moved to suspend the rules to consider Substitute No. 2 of Ordinance No. 26065. Seconded by Council Member Evans. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Speaking before the Council was:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Mozella Pooley	8041 East Sherwood

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Evans, Kirby, McGavick, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Miller

Substitute No. 2 of Ordinance No. 26065 was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26080

Authorizing the extension of the cable television franchise agreement with TCI of Tacoma, Inc., through December 31, 1997.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Evans, Kirby, McGavick, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Miller

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26081

Authorizing the extension of the cable television franchise agreement with Cable TV Puget Sound, Inc., through December 31, 1997.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Evans, Kirby, McGavick, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Miller

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26091

Authorizing the execution of a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, in the amount of \$84,000; and appropriating said sum from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund for the 1997 Emergency Shelter Grant projects.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Evans, Kirby, McGavick, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Miller

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26092

Authorizing the execution of a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, in the amount of \$1,371,000; and appropriating said sum from the Miscellaneous Trust Summary Fund for the 1997 HOME Investment Partnership projects.

Council Member Kirby moved to continue Ordinance Nos. 26092 and 26093 to the meeting of July 8, 1997. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Baarsma. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ordinance No. 26092 will be considered at the City Council meeting of July 8, 1997.

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Ordinance No. 26093

Authorizing the execution of a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$3,283,000; and appropriating said sum from the Community Development Grants Summary Fund for approved Community Development Block Grant projects.

Under Ordinance No. 26092 the Council adopted a motion to continue Ordinance Nos. 26092 and 26093 to the meeting of July 8, 1997.

Ordinance No. 26093 will be considered at the City Council meeting of July 8, 1997.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 26094

Authorizing the execution of a franchise agreement with Electric Lightwave, Inc. (ELI), for telecommunications services.

Speaking before the Council were:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Will Baker	809 South I Street
Cathy Pizzini	Electric Lightwave, Inc. (ELI), 8100 NE Parkway Drive, Vancouver

The Ordinance was set over for final reading on July 22, 1997.

Ordinance No. 26095

Accepting \$600,000 from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS); depositing said sum in the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund; transferring \$666,000 from the General Fund to the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund; appropriating \$1,266,000 from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund; and authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Department of Justice to implement the COPS Universal Hiring Grant.

Speaking before the Council were:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Will Baker	809 South I Street
Phyllis Barrett	912 South Cushman

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

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Ordinance No. 26096

Adopting an immediate moratorium on the acceptance of applications for special property use and building permits for support structures of telecommunication facilities for a period of six months; setting Tuesday, August 19, 1997, at approximately 6:00 p.m., as the date for a public hearing relative to the moratorium; and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and it taking effect immediately upon publication.

Speaking before the Council were:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Will Baker	809 South I Street
Jeff Bruce	30th Block and North Winnifred
Rick Rosenblatt	North Tacoma Resident

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

CITIZENS' FORUM (Began at 6:19 p.m.)

Speaking before the Council were:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic/Address</u>
Will Baker	Various issues
Phyllis Barrett	Performance audits
Mozella Pooley	Traffic circles

The Citizens' Forum was declared closed at 6:35 p.m.

RESOLUTIONS

Purchase Resolution No. 33757

Awarding contracts to:

1. Analytical Resources, Inc., on its bid of \$99,900 for outside laboratory services for Round 3 analysis of Thea Foss Waterway sediments and water samples - Specification No. G-015-97;
2. Bailey Controls Co., in the amount of \$260,000 to upgrade computer control equipment for Sewer Treatment Plant No. 1 - Sole Source; and

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3. Xerox Corporation, in the amount of \$200,945.20 for a Xerox lease upgrade and maintenance agreement, Washington State Contract No. 0250175-09.

Deputy Mayor Baarsma moved that the Purchase Resolution, including waiving formal bidding procedures on Item No. 2, be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Evans. Voice vote was taken and carried on the Purchase Resolution. The Purchase Resolution, including waiving formal bidding procedures on Item No. 2, was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 33748

Authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Agreement with the Metropolitan Park District to utilize the equipment and services offered by the Equipment Rental Fund.

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

Speaking before the Council was:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Will Baker	809 South I Street

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

Resolution No. 33758

Renaming East-West Road to "SR-509 North Frontage Road" and "SR-509 South Frontage Road."

Council Member Crowley moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Baarsma. Voice vote was taken and carried, with Council Members De Forrest, Evans and Silas voting in opposition. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 33759

Authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Agreement with Pierce County for the temporary jail facility.

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

Speaking before the Council was:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Will Baker	809 South I Street

Voice vote was taken and carried, with Council Members De Forrest, Evans and Silas voting in opposition. The Resolution was declared adopted.

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CITIZENS' FORUM (Began at 6:19 p.m.)

The Citizens' Forum was held earlier in the meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER

Acting City Manager James L. Walton introduced and welcomed Jon Holland, from Public Works, Utility Services Engineering Division, as the new Special Assistant in the City Manager's Office for the next three months.

Mr. Walton announced that on Thursday, July 3, 1997, at 9:30 a.m., the City of Tacoma and the City of Fircrest will toast a new partnership relative to Fircrest's new well for drinking water. He stated that the ceremony will take place at George Masko Park.

Mr. Walton then requested an Executive Session to discuss possible litigation, not to exceed 15 minutes.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL

Council Member McGavick stated that on Saturday, June 28, 1997, she represented the Mayor and the City Council at the Highland Games which were held at the Pierce County Fair Grounds. She stated that the event was wonderful and lots of fun and invited everyone to attend next year.

Deputy Mayor Baarsma stated that he had attended the Association of Washington Cities meeting in Spokane. He stated that there were over 800 participants. He stated that the subject of one of the workshops was the rebirth of America's downtowns. He then stated that next year's Association of Washington Cities meeting will be held in Tacoma.

Deputy Mayor Baarsma stated the Library Task Force has held its seventh meeting. He stated that the Task Force brainstormed a number of ideas, propositions, and proposals. Mr. Baarsma thanked Council Members McGavick and Evans for being very active in offering ideas and suggestions. He stated that the Council Members are committed to a collaborative and positive approach in working with the Library Board. He stated that he is hopeful that the Task Force will be coming forward with a final report with a number of very positive recommendations.

Council Member Evans stated that he has received a number of telephone calls regarding the conversion of single-family residents to dormitory units for students. He requested staff to see if this matter can be resolved.

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Council Member Evans requested that the Finance Department, Purchasing Division, respond to a letter he received regarding the bid for "The Semi-Annual Removal, Hull Cleaning and Repair" of the Tacoma Fire Department fireboats and why all the bids were rejected.

Council Member Kirby moved to excuse Council Member Miller from the meeting tonight. Seconded by Council Member Evans. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.



BRIAN EBERSOLE, MAYOR *for*

ATTEST: *Doris Sorum*
RICK ROSENBLADT, CITY CLERK
Acting