

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
May 23, 1995

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

Present on roll call: 7 - Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Silas, and Mayor Moss. Absent: 2 - Evans and Miller

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member De Forrest.

Approval of the minutes of the Tacoma City Council meeting of May 9, 1995.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 33020

Setting Monday, June 12, 1995, at 5:00 p.m. as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on L.I.D. No. 8585 for the placement of two-inch asphalt concrete pavement on the alley between North 25th and North 26th Streets from Washington to Adams Streets.

Resolution No. 33021

Setting Monday, June 12, 1995, at 5:00 p.m. as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on L.I.D. No. 8586 for the placement of two-inch asphalt concrete pavement with storm drainage on the alley between North 11th and North 12th Streets from Union Avenue to Washington Street.

Resolution No. 33022

Setting Monday, June 12, 1995, at 5:00 p.m. as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on L.I.D. No. 8587 for the placement of two-inch asphalt concrete pavement on the alley between L and M Streets from North 6th to North 7th Streets.

Resolution No. 33023

Setting Tuesday, June 13, 1995, at approximately 6:00 p.m. as the date for a hearing by the City Council on the proposed land exchange of approximately 38 acres of surplus Water Division property in the Green River Watershed for approximately 24 acres of property with Plum Creek Timber Company.

Resolution No. 33024

Setting Tuesday, July 25, 1995, at approximately 6:00 p.m. as the date for a hearing by the City Council to establish the proposed North Slope Special Review District in the vicinity of North J Street from North 3rd to North Steele Streets.

Resolution No. 33025

Approving the final plat for MARISA ESTATES located in the vicinity of 37th Avenue N.E. between 33rd Street N.E. and Browns Point Boulevard for a 21-lot single family subdivision. (Kerr Hansen Corporation; File No. 125.335A)

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Hearing Examiner agenda for May 23, 1995.
- b. Minutes of the meeting of the Commission on Children, Youth and Families, April 13, 1995.
- c. Minutes of the meeting of the Public Utility Board and study session, April 26, 1995.
- d. Minutes of the meeting of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, April 26, 1995.
- e. Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Commission, May 1, 1995.
- f. Audit Report of the Municipal Authority of Tacoma, January 1, 1993 through December 31, 1993.

Council Member Silas moved that the Consent Agenda, including Resolutions Nos. 33020, 33021, 33022, 33023, 33024, and 33025, be approved. Seconded by Council Member Crowley. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda, including Resolutions No. 33020, 33021, 33022, 33023, 33024, and 33025, was declared approved.

Mayor Moss called on Fire Chief Dick Moore who gave a report on the assistance Tacoma firefighters provided on the tragic results of the Oklahoma bombing. Mayor Moss presented Certificates of Appreciation to firefighters Bill Miller, Scott Nickelson, and Lt. Bob Powers. Mayor Moss also recognized firefighters Tom Henderson, Jim Scott and Pete Mathews who also assisted in Oklahoma.

REGULAR AGENDA

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 25711

Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L.I.D. No. 5712 for the installation of water mains in South 86th Street from Ainsworth to Sheridan Avenues, Sheridan Avenue from South 86th to South 87th Streets, and South 87th Street from Cushman to Sheridan Avenues.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 -- Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Silas, and Mayor Moss.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 2 -- Evans and Miller.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

RESOLUTIONS:

Purchase Resolution No. 33026

Awarding contracts to:

1. Puget Sound Tire, on their bid of \$25,000 to increase their contract for tire repair and service - Specification No. G-003-93;
2. Northwest Cascade on the bid of \$1,223,424.45 for storm drainage construction and asphalt concrete overlay in Alexander Avenue and East-West Road to East 11th Street - Specification No. G-211-95; and
3. MDM, Inc., on their bid of \$432,140.97 for District 10 Fire Station Remodel - Phase II - Specification No. G-203-95.

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

Voice vote was taken and carried on the Purchase Resolution. The Purchase Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 33027

Approving the preliminary plat for LE MOINE ADDITION located on the south side of East 92nd Street between A and East B Streets for a seven-lot residential subdivision. (C.J. Le Moine; File No. 125.357)

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

Resolution No. 33028

Authorizing the submittal of an application to Pierce County in the amount of \$15,000 for the Tacoma-Pierce County Child Care Resource and Referral System.

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

Resolution No. 33029

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Tacoma Housing Authority in the amount of \$119,534 for the acquisition and rehabilitation of two homes located at 3705 East Spokane Street and 3849 East K Street for home ownership opportunities for low-income families.

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

Resolution No. 33030

Creating a task force to assess the safety conditions and adequacy of public facilities along Ruston Way, and to provide recommendations to the City Council by December 15, 1995.

Speaking before Council was:

George Hoivik

North Starr Street

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

Resolution No. 33031

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Frank Russell Company for parking stalls at Park Plaza North effective June 1, 1995.

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

Resolution No. 33032

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Washington Building Tacoma Associates for parking stalls at Park Plaza North and Park Plaza South effective July 1, 1995.

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

Resolution No. 33033

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Metropolitan Development Council in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for the Youth Street Outreach Program.

Speaking before the Council were:

Dr. David Moore
Mr. Doug Swanberg

Olympic Counseling
Metropolitan Development Council

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS: (Began at 6:35 p.m.)

- a. Robert M. Keenan appealing the decision of the Hearing Examiner on the assessment roll of L.I.D. No. 7714.

Council Member McGavick disclosed that she was a property owner that will be assessed under L.I.D. No. 7714. She excused herself and left the Council Chambers.

Mr. Rod Kerlake, Hearing Examiner, spoke regarding his decision relative to L.I.D. No. 7714.

Mr. Robert Keenan, appellant, presented reasons for the appeal.

Mayor Moss moved to concur in the findings, conclusions and decision of the Hearing Examiner and deny the appeal. Seconded by Council Member Silas. Voice vote was taken and carried with Council Member De Forrest voting in opposition. The motion was declared adopted.

- b. This is the date set for a public hearing on the proposed Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Program for the years 1996 through 2001 and the Amended 1995 Street Program.

Speaking before the Council were:

Martin Sutherland	2032 East Morton
Judy Caine	2301 Sixth Avenue
Ruth Swanson	3506 South Melrose
Tim Strege	Eastside Small Business Incubator
Jay Peterson	8224 East D Street

The hearing was declared closed at 8:12 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER:

City Manager Ray E. Corpuz, Jr. requested an Executive Session, to discuss labor negotiations, not to exceed 30 minutes.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL:

Council Member De Forrest asked if the Appointments Committee were to meet tonight, if 24 hours' notice would need to be provided. City Attorney Robin Jenkinson confirmed that 24 hours' notice of a special meeting is required.

Council Member De Forrest reported that it was his understanding that a resolution on the Fircrest proposal would be before the Council on June 6. He indicated he wanted more time and perhaps a study session to review the issues before voting. Council

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Member De Forrest reported that one of the Neighborhood Councils received a letter indicating that unless they signed their contract they would not receive funding. City Attorney Robin Jenkinson indicated that there was concern about the indemnity language in the contract. She explained that the City is required to have that language in order to provide funding to a nonprofit organization.

Council Member De Forrest commented that an article in the *News Tribune* reported that crime in Tacoma had increased by 6.6%. Council Member De Forrest indicated that percentage amounts to 62 major crimes a day.

Council Member Kirby indicated that he may be bringing forth an ordinance to remove the ban on fireworks.

Council Member Baarsma reported that Mayor Moss and he had the pleasure of attending a Library Board of Trustees meeting to applaud the presentation of a \$2 million gift from Virginia Marshall.

Council Member Baarsma reported that he presented testimony at a hearing by the Port of Tacoma and a representative of the U.S. Department of Energy on the proposed EIS regarding transporting spent nuclear fuel through Puget Sound.

Council Member Baarsma indicated that in the *USA Today* article that Council received from Al Pearn, it listed a number of cities with the largest reduction in crime rates. He explained that the article indicated that the City of San Bernadino, California had the largest reduction. He then proceeded to call San Bernadino and ended up talking with the City of San Diego on their reduction of crime and curfew violations.

Council Member Baarsma indicated that he did finally get in touch with San Bernadino, and they will be sending information on what they are doing successfully to reduce crime with fewer police officers.

Council Member Baarsma reported that as a member of the LESA Board, LESA will be installing the UNISYS Lifeline computer-aided system by May 1, 1996. He indicated that the system is one of the most sophisticated systems on the market.

Council Member Silas commented that the Mayor's ceremony for recognizing volunteers on the City's Committees, Board and Commissions was a beautiful ceremony.

Council Member Silas thanked the staff and the school district for putting together this morning's joint Council/School Board meeting.

Council Member Silas reported that the Youth Public First Safety forum this morning was most informative. She reported that some of the concerns presented by the youth

included the following: an opportunity for youth to be included with adults; more mentors to come to the schools; spend more time with the youth; bring back middle school sports; build more community centers rather than jails; and provide job training programs at the centers. The youth emphasized there has been enough talking and we need to start doing.

Council Member McGavick expressed her appreciation for the volunteer recognition ceremony. She apologized for a statement she made when recognizing one of the committees. Council Member McGavick indicated that she received the report she was expecting from Police Chief Fjetland. She indicated that she will be meeting with the Police Chief to review the efficiency, effectiveness and utilization of the Police staff. She indicated that she will be looking at how to make better use of the dollars that are being spent on Police.

Mayor Moss commented that the Youth Public First Safety forum was an educational meeting. He also commented on the most generous gift of \$2 million to the Library. Mayor Moss thanked staff for all the work that went into the volunteer recognition ceremony. He commented that the ceremony was warm and exceptional. Mayor Moss also commented on the building dedication of Faith Home, on 9th and I Streets. He indicated that the home will be for young women with children.

Mayor Moss indicated that he was putting together a proposal on the fireworks ban, but after discussing his proposal with Council Members, he indicated that he will withdraw his proposal.

Mayor Moss moved to excuse the absences of Deputy Mayor Evans and Council Member Miller. Seconded by Council Member Silas. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Mayor Moss moved to recess to Executive Session to discuss labor negotiations, not to exceed 30 minutes. Seconded by Council Member Silas. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted. The Council recessed at 8:20 p.m. At 8:50 p.m. Mayor Moss announced that Executive Session would be extended an additional 15 minutes. The Council reconvened at 9:45 p.m.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.



HAROLD G. MOSS, MAYOR

ATTEST: 

RICK ROSENBLADT, ACTING CITY CLERK

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