

City Council Minutes

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

April 5, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 p.m.

Council Members Present: 9 – Anderson, Evans, Ladenburg, Lonergan, Manthou, Phelps, Stenger, Talbert, and Mayor Baarsma.

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member Phelps.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- a. Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, March 9, 2005.
- b. Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session and meeting, February 23, 2005.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting, February 22, 2005.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 36467

Setting Tuesday, April 26, 2005, at approximately 5:30 p.m., as the date for a public hearing by the City Council regarding the 2005-2006 Annual Action Plan and the 2005-2010 Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development.

Resolution No. 36468

Setting Tuesday, May 3, 2005, at 9:30 a.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on the request to vacate an undeveloped portion of the northwest side of Lincoln Avenue abutting 1906 Marc Avenue to improve on-site traffic circulation and create off-street parking areas. (Fred Tebb & Sons Inc.; File No. 124.1233)

Resolution No. 36469

Setting Tuesday, May 3, 2005, at 9:30 a.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on the request to vacate the alleyway between Yakima Avenue and South I Street and abutting South 15th and South 16th Streets for a residential development. (Vision Investments, LLC; File No. 124.1238)

Resolution No. 36470

Setting Tuesday, May 3, 2005, at 9:30 a.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on the request to vacate the alleyway between East C and East D Streets and abutting Puyallup Avenue and East 25th Street to create a loading dock structure for the adjacent business. (Joanita Enterprises, LLC; File No. 124.1236)

Deputy Mayor Ladenburg moved that the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 36467 through 36470, be approved. Seconded by Council Member Phelps. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 36467 through 36470, was declared approved.

PROCLAMATIONS

There were no proclamations.

RECOGNITION

Mayor Baarsma recognized Ms. Breanna Regan, Miss Tacoma – Junior Teen America, for her selection as a delegate to the 2005 Northwestern States Jr. Teen America Pageant to be held May 13 through May 15, 2005, in Bellevue.

Mayor Baarsma recognized Ms. Susan McGuire, president of the Daffodil Festival, who introduced Ms. Jessica Dewitt, Daffodil Festival Queen from Mount Tahoma High School. Queen Jessica invited the Daffodil Princesses to introduce themselves to the City Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT

This is the time set aside for public comment on items on the agenda. Speakers are asked to identify the specific agenda items they wish to address and comments will be limited to up to five minutes per person.

Public Comment began at 5:26 p.m.

Speaking before Council:

Name Name	Address/Affiliation	Subject
Allen Douglass	University Place resident	Resolution No. 36471

Public Comment closed at 5:30 p.m.



REGULAR AGENDA

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, AND APPOINTMENTS

Resolution No. 36471

Appointing individuals to the Human Rights Commission, Landmarks Preservation Commission, Planning Commission, Tacoma Area Task Force on Disabilities, Tacoma Arts Commission, Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority, and Urban Policy Committee.

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

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 27345

Authorizing the execution of a two-year agreement with the National Development Council, in the amount of \$109,600, to assist with identifying sources of funds for recapitalization of business loan programs and the development of additional financing tools; and amending the 2005-2006 Biennial Budget for said purpose.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 – Anderson, Evans, Ladenburg, Lonergan, Manthou, Phelps, Stenger, Talbert, and Mayor Baarsma.

Nays: (

The Ordinance was declared passed.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 36350 (Continued from the meeting of December 7, 2004)

Approving the Annual Funding Priorities for the 2005-2006 Consolidated Plan Annual Action Plan.

Deputy Mayor Ladenburg 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 James Walton introduced Ms. Caren Owens as the new Special Assistant to the City Manager and discussed the quality of interns.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL

Council Member Talbert reminded the public that the City Council and Town Hall meetings the next week would be held at Stewart Middle School Auditorium and provided an overview of the agenda items.

Deputy Mayor Ladenburg stated the interlocal agreement with Pierce County for the new Family Justice Center would be on the April 7, 2005, Public Safety Committee meeting agenda. Deputy Mayor Ladenburg invited Chief Don Ramsdell to the podium to recognize the staff honored at the Police Awards Banquet held the previous week.

Council Member Evans spoke about the "greening" of the City and thanked the citizens who planted more than 1,500 trees and bushes around the City the previous weekend.

Council Member Phelps discussed the proposed state transportation bill and urged citizens to call their state representatives to oppose the transportation budget, since Tacoma and Pierce County interests are not well represented by this bill.

Council Member Lonergan reviewed the progress in appointing a citizens panel to work on the review of the Brame incident with Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC). He stated the Police Department had pledged to appoint an internal committee to review each of the 19 specific issues raised by the Citizens panel.

Mayor Baarsma reminded citizens that the Film and Food Festival presentation that week, which had been selected by the Aalesund, Norway, Sister City Committee, was the last in the 10-week cinematic series recognizing each of Tacoma's Sister Cities. He also mentioned receiving an invitation from the Mayor of Hiroshima, inviting the City of Tacoma to join with other cities in a "Mayors for Peace" organization. He stated that he would also pledge his support for "Go 21, Growth Options for the 21st Century," a non-profit, public interest organization promoting increased use of rail transportation.

CITIZENS' FORUM

Citizens' Forum began at 6:17 p.m.

Speaking before the Council:

<u>Name</u>	Address/Affiliation	Topic
Allen Douglass	University Place resident	General
Charles Creso	5501 Broadview Avenue NE	Tacoma economics; public safety



Name	Address/Affiliation	Торіс
Phyllis Barrett	912 South Cushman Avenue	Public Safety
Michele Reich	1205 Earnest S. Brazill Street	General
Gary Armstrong	Arthur Ury Lodge #73, Prince Hall Masons	Volunteer services

Citizens' Forum closed at 6:30 p.m.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

VILLIAM H. BAARSMA, MAYOR

ATTEST:

DORIS SORUM, CITY CLERK

