

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers  
June 6, 1978

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

Present on roll call: 8 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege and Deputy Mayor Warnick. Absent: 1 - Mayor Parker. Mayor Parker arrived at 6:55 p.m.

The Flag Salute was led by Councilman Kirby.

The prayer was led by Reverend Steve Healy, Pastor of the South Tacoma Christian Church.

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CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the meeting of May 30, 1978.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 25048

Setting Monday, June 26, 1978, at 4:00 p.m., as the date for hearing L.I.D. 8225 for permanent pavement on No. Highland Street from No. 39th to the North Line of Joseph Mayer's First Addition, North Winnifred from Shirley Street to North Line of Josephy Mayer's First Addition; and No. 39th from No. Pearl Street to cul-de-sac east of North Winnifred Street.

Resolution No. 25060

Setting Tuesday, June 27, 1978, at 9:00 a.m., as the date for hearing by the Hearings Examiner the request for vacation of a portion of extra width in the right-of-way of Yakima Ave. between So. 80th and So. 83rd Streets. (LeRoy G. Glunt)

Resolution No. 25061

Setting Monday, June 26, 1978, at 4:00 p.m., as the date for hearing L.I.D. 3804 for sanitary sewers in North Highland Street from No. 39th to the north line of Josephy Mayer's First Addition; North Winnifred from North Shirley Street to the north line of Joseph Mayer's First Addition; and in North 39th from No. Pearl Street to cul-de-sac east of Winnifred Street.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Hearings Examiner agenda for Tuesday, June 6, 1978.
- b. Minutes of the Civil Service Board Meeting of May 15, 1978.
- c. Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Administration of the Tacoma Employees' Retirement System of April 27, 1978.
- d. Purchases and sales of investments during May, 1978 from Tacoma Employees' Retirement System.
- e. Tacoma Public Library, Library Statistical Report for the Fiscal year ending December 31, 1977.
- f. Personnel Report for March, 1978.
- g. Tacoma Police Department monthly report for March, 1978.

Mrs. Bichsel moved that all items on the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 25048, 25060 and 25061, be approved. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen.

Deputy Mayor Warnick advised that a petition was inadvertently left off of the agenda and he would make a motion to include it in the Consent Agenda. Deputy Mayor Warnick moved to include the petition of John D. Dobler requesting the rezoning of the property located on the northeast corner of South 47th and Alder Streets from an "R-3" to an "R-4-L" District to be referred to the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Voice vote was taken on the amended Consent Agenda and carried. The items were declared approved.

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R E G U L A R   A G E N D A

COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. Hearings Examiner submitting revision to Shoreline Management Substantial Development Permit No. 141.161 of M. W. Perrow for five boathouses adjacent to existing 15th Street bridge.

Mr. Hudson moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Roll call vote was taken, resulting in Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege and Deputy Mayor Warnick. Nays: 0. Absent: 1 - Mayor Parker. The motion was approved.

- b. Hearings Examiner recommending denial of request of Pete Bennison, File No. 120.840, for reclassification of the west side of "A" Street, approximately 350 feet north of South 92nd Street extended from an "R-3" to an "R-3 PRD" District.

Mr. Strege moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was approved.

- c. City Attorney requesting that Street Vacation Request No. 124.519 and Rezone Request No. 120.714, in the vicinity of Sixth Avenue, west of Circle Way, be closed. (Phillip F. Jacobs)

Mr. Schroeder moved to concur in the recommendation of the City Attorney. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was approved.

- d. City Attorney requesting that Rezone Request No. 120.637 and Street Vacation Request No. 124.475, in the vicinity of the NW corner of Pearl and Westgate Blvd. be closed. (Gordon C. Fors)

Mr. Schroeder moved to concur in the recommendation of the City Attorney. Seconded by Mrs. Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was approved.

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Deputy Mayor Warnick moved to recess into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. Council recessed at 5:20 p.m. Council reconvened at 5:47 p.m.

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FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 21278

Vacating "L" Street between South 4th Street and Division Avenue.  
(Mary Bridge Children's Health Center)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege and Deputy Mayor Warnick.

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Mayor Parker

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21376

Authorizing execution of a grant award contract with the U. S. Department of Transportation, Urban Mass Transit Administration, in the amount of \$43,650, creating a new fund to be known as the "Elderly and Handicapped Self-Identifying Techniques Program Fund," and authorizing a temporary loan from the General Fund all for the purpose of carrying out the Self-Identifying Techniquet project.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege and Deputy Mayor Warnick.

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Mayor Parker

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21377

Authorizing the transfer of \$75,000 from the Contingency Fund to the General Fund and appropriating \$75,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the General Fund to the Metropolitan Park District for the purpose of funding operating costs of the Peoples Center at 16th and "K" Street, and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege and Deputy Mayor Warnick.

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Mayor Parker

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 21375 (Continued from May 30th)

Authorizing execution of an agreement with Terrance Fergusson and the Port of Tacoma for a study of the Steam Locomotive Project, authorizing the transfer of the sum of \$1,500 from the Contingency Fund to the General Fund and appropriating said sum for the purpose of paying the City's share for the consultant agreement and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Deputy Mayor Warnick advised reported that he has been advised that the county would not be participating in this venture. Mr. Schroeder moved to remove the ordinance from the agenda. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Ordinance was removed from the agenda.

Ordinance No. 21378

Amending Chapter 12.12 of the Official Code to add Section 12.12.100 relative to Youth Summer Passes for use on buses operated by the Tacoma Transit System.

Mr. Schroder moved to consider Substitute Ordinance No. 21378. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mr. Hayes advised Council members that the Substitute Ordinance adds the emergency clause for effective day in order that students may be contacted before school ends.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 21379

Amending the pay and compensation plan to reflect certain changes in salaries negotiated between the City and Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers Union Local 313 and Automotive and Special Services Union Local 461 effective January 1, 1978 through December 31, 1979.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 21380

Authorizing execution of a grant award contract with the U. S. Department of Labor under Title III of the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act of 1973 in the amount of \$857,185; appropriating the sum of \$857,185 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the 1978 Job Opportunities for Youth Fund for the purpose of operating a Summer Program for economically disadvantaged youth and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Speaking against the ordinance and offering alternatives were: Arthur Brown 2502 Tacoma Ave. So. and Dick Sonntag, 1121 No. 6th St. who spoke in favor of funds being set aside for youth other than the economically disadvantaged.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 21381

Authorizing execution of a grant award contract with the State of Washington Dept. of Social and Health Services in the amount of \$165,000; appropriating the sum of \$165,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Kleiner Memorial Group Home Fund for the purpose of providing Referendum 29 funds for construction of the Kleiner Memorial Group Home and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Speaking for the ordinance was Reverend Elmer Church, Chairperson for the Pierce County Homes for the Developmentally Disabled and Larry Ernst, Vice-Chairman.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 21382

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to reclassify the east side of Orchard Street approx. 350 feet south of So. 40th Street extended east, from an "R-2" to an "M-1" District. (BSM Corp.)

Mr. Schroeder moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Final reading of the Ordinance was set over to a date to be determined.

Ordinance No. 21383

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to reclassify the west side of Pearl Street between No. 43rd and No. 44th Streets extended west from an "R-2" to an "R-3" District. (J. Miller Northbay Construction, Inc.)

Mr. Hudson moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Final reading of the Ordinance was set over to a date to be determined.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 25038 (Continued from May 23, 1978)

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to enter into negotiations and authorize purchase of the Jones Building and Ellington Hotel Building in the New Tacoma Urban Renewal Project, Wash. R-14.

Mrs. Bichsel moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder.

Speaking in favor of the Resolution was Dawn Lucien, representing Congressman Dicks, who reported that Congressman Dicks, Senators Jackson and Magnusson and Governor Ray and the local State legislators were all in favor of this resolution. Also speaking was Virginia Shackelford, member of the Civic Arts Commission and a member of the Pantages Committee. Also speaking was Elivra Brown, a resident of the Hilltop Area. (Mayor Parker arrived at 6:55 p.m.)

Mr. Evans moved to amend the resolution on line 15, by inserting between the word purchase and word of the words "or lease (provided said lease does not risk the loss of funds sought for restoration or development of the property)." Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Roll call vote was taken, resulting in Ayes: 5 - Evans, Kirby, Nielsen, Strege and Mayor Parker. Nays: 4 - Bichsel, Hudson, Schroeder and Warnick. The motion carried.

Roll call vote was taken on the Resolution as amended, resulting in Ayes: 7 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker. Nays: 2 - Kirby and Nielsen. Absent: 0. The Resolution as amended was adopted.

Resolution No. 25062

Appointing Robert W. Evans, Architect to the City Beautification Committee for a term expiring on June 6, 1981.

Mr. Strege moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Warnick.

Speaking on the resolution was Raymond Rolland, 1620 East Columbia.

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

Purchase Resolution No. 25063

Awarding contracts to:

1. Kaiser Aluminum and Chemical Sales on its bid of \$6,550.50 for Traffic Sign Blanks.
2. Minnesota Mining & Mfg. Co. and Traffic Safety Supply Co. on their bids for Traffic Sign Materials.
3. Aden Corporation on its bid of \$9,780.60 for W.O. 59729 Precast Cement Concrete Table & Bench Assemblies for the Broadway Plaza, So. 9th to So. 13th Street.
4. Allstate Elevator Co., Inc., on its bid of \$10,560.00 for W. O. GD384 - Escalades.
5. Rejecting all bids for W.O. 82030.08 - Asphalt Paving and Water Main Construction as they exceed the Engineer's estimate.

Mrs. Bichsel moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Strege. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 25064

Authorizing the purchase of 22 Body Guard Shields from Setina Manufacturing Co. in the total amount of \$4,045.20 and waiving the requirement for competitive bidding.

Mr. Kirby moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 25065

Authorizing segregation of various local improvement assessments levied against Lots 9 and 10, Block 6, Johnson's Addition to Tacoma, located in the vicinity of East "J" and 43rd Street.

Mr. Warnick moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Evans. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 25066

Authorizing execution of a Local Improvement Assessment Deed on certain property located in the vicinity of South 64th & Gove Street to Edward V. Arnett & Sharon L. Arnett in order to remove a cloud on the title.

Mr. Warnick moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Stregé. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 25067

Authorizing execution of a collective bargaining agreement with Teamsters Local 313 effective January 1, 1978, to and including December 31, 1979.

Mr. Warnick moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Kirby. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 25068

Amending the salary of certain classes in the Public Service Employment Program effective January 1, 1978.

Mr. Warnick moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Kirby. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 25069

Approving Tacoma-Pierce County Board of Health Resolution No. 192 amending the Compensation Plan for certain classes in the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department.

Mrs. Bichsel moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.



Resolution No. 25070

Authorizing execution of a Memorandum of Agreement with Auto-motive and Special Services Union, Local 461 to be effective from January 1, 1978 through December 31, 1979.

Mr. Nielsen moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 25071

Authorizing execution of an agreement with Lakehaven Sewer District, King County for sewerage service in the vicinity of 28th Street N.E. and 64th Avenue N.E.

Mr. Warnick moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 25072

Authorizing application to the National Institute of Mental Health for a grant in the sum of \$23,182.00 for fifth year funding to staff the South End Youth Services Bureau.

Mr. Nielsen moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 25073

Amending the Land Use Plan of the Center Street Urban Renewal Plan Wash. R-1 on the north side of South 28th Street, approximately 159 feet west of "J" Street from no designation to LAP.

Mr. Nielsen moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 25074

Accepting an Offer to Purchase Land from the Puget Sound Log Scaling and Grading Bureau to purchase certain real property within the Center Street Urban Renewal area.

Mrs. Bichsel moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 25075

Authorizing amendment to the Fourth Year Affiliation Agreement with the Comprehensive Mental Health Center of Tacoma-Pierce County to increase the Youth Service Bureau level of services to youth and families in crisis.

Mrs. Bichsel moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 25076

Approving a Preliminary Plat for WALLER ESTATES to allow the property to be divided into 52 single-family lots between South 58th and South 60th Streets, from the alley between Mullen and Gove Streets to the alley between Verde and Steven Streets. (Ronald J. Waller)

Mrs. Bichsel moved to adopt the Resolution. Seconded by Mr. Strege.

Mr. Nielsen moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Mrs. Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried.

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

Resolution No. 25077

Authorizing execution of a personal services contract with Robert J. Backstein to aid in the operation of a Hearings Examiner system for the City of Tacoma.

Mrs. Bichsel moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 25078

Authorizing application for a grant in the sum of \$30,000 from the National Endowment for the Arts for architectural preliminary drawings for the Pantages Theatre restoration.

Mrs. Bichsel moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

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APPEALS:

Parker Paint Mfg. Co., Inc., appealing Tax & License Department's B & O Tax Audit Assessment. (Continued from the meeting of May 23rd)

Mayor Parker advised that the Parker Paint Co. attorney has asked that the hearing on the appeal be continued to July 11, 1978. Mr. Nielsen moved that the appeal be continued to July 11, 1978. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried.

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Mr. Warnick moved to recess into Executive Session to seek legal counsel on a litigation and to discuss a personnel matter. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. Council recessed at 7:45 p.m. Council reconvened at 7:55 p.m.

Mr. Nielsen moved to settle the claim in the dollar amount as outlined in a confidential memo of this date. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mayor Parker commented that a Fourth of July celebration in Old Town has been a tradition for many years, sponsored by the Tacoma Athletic Commission. However, this year the Commission has moved the celebration to Cheney Stadium. In response to requests of numerous citizens for a Civic celebration he has contacted the Daffodilians who are willing to put on a three day celebration beginning July 1st, a parade on the 2nd, a big community event on the 3rd and culminating in fireworks on the 3rd.

Mayor Parker moved to authorize the City Manager to negotiate an agreement with the Daffodilians for this event and authorize \$9,000 for the project.

Mr. Hudson moved that the motion be changed to have the 4th of July celebration on the 4th of July. Seconded by Mrs. Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Upon question of Councilman Evans, the City Manager advised that the City donated \$1200 last year toward the T.A.C. fireworks. That same amount is budgeted for this year.

Mayor Parker commented he has advised the Daffodilians that the \$9,000 City participation would be only for this year.

Upon question of Councilman Nielsen it was established that T.A.C. spent a total of \$12,000 last year. The City contributed \$1,200 toward that and Pierce County contributed \$500.

Roll call vote was taken on the motion resulting in Ayes: 5 - Bichsel, Hudson, Nielsen, Warnick and Mayor Parker. Nays: 3 - Evans, Kirby and Strege. Absent: 1 - Schroeder. The motion was adopted.

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REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER:

City Manager, Erling Mork, reminded Council of their joint trip with the Utility Board.

Mr. Mork introduced Celso Tolman, a graduate student of the University of Washington in Public Affairs who will be in the City Manager's office for the summer as part of his internship.

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COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Councilman Evans requested an ordinance to further reduce the speed an additional 5 miles per hour on North Pearl between North 32nd to Point Defiance Park.

Councilman Evans said he has a request that a citizen's group called "The Wedge District" be placed on next weeks' agenda under "Citizens Wishing to Speak." He was advised that under Council Rules of Procedures a letter must be submitted.

Mayor Parker advised that the Council's Personnel Committee, consisting of Mr. Evans and Mrs. Bichsel, will be meeting with him next Friday to review applications for the Secretary position.

Mayor Parker commented on a suggestion on street sign size and asked that the administration review this.

Mayor Parker said a group called "The Club" sent him a letter requesting to speak at this meeting and in the transition of his Secretary inadvertently it was not placed on the agenda.

Deputy Mayor Warnick moved to suspend the Rules to allow comments from "The Club." Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Tim Werfelman, Assistant Manager and Counselor of "The Club" located at 5206 South Tacoma Way introduced Junior Board members of "The Club" to express their feelings about "The Club." Those speaking were:

Laura Ritchie	4846 So. Park	Tacoma
Gabriella Wehn	4848 So. Park	Tacoma
Allen Goodwin	4848 So. Park	Tacoma
Wayne Harris	4848 So. Park	Tacoma
Barbara Hodges	702 Columbia	Tacoma
Tim Werfelman	4848 So. Park	Tacoma

On proper motion the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

  
MIKE PARKER - MAYOR

ATTEST:   
H. B. BOND - CITY CLERK