

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
August 15, 1995

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m.

Present on roll call: 7 - Baarsma, De Forrest, Evans, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Moss. Absent: 2 - Crowley and Kirby (Council Member Kirby arrived at 5:06 p.m.)

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member Baarsma.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the Tacoma City Council meeting of August 1, 1995.

Resolution No. 33116

Setting Tuesday, September 12, 1995, at approximately 6:00 p.m. as the date for a public hearing to consider amendments to the land use code if Initiative 164 becomes law.

ASSESSMENT ROLLS:

The Director of Public Works presents the assessment rolls for the following:

- a. L.I.D. No. 8555 for the construction of permanent pavement with storm drainage on Defiance Street from North 46th to North 48th Streets, South 86th Street from Sheridan to Ainsworth Avenues and South 87th Street from Sheridan to Cushman Avenues.
- b. L.I.D. 8564 for the construction of permanent pavement with storm drainage on Madison Street from North 36th to North 37th Streets.
- c. L.I.D. 8571 for construction of permanent pavement on the alley between North 8th and North 9th Streets from Lawrence to Warner Streets.

Setting Monday, September 11, 1995, at 5:00 p.m. as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of the meetings of the Planning Commission, July 5 and July 17, 1995.
- b. Minutes of the meeting of the Tacoma Transportation Committee, July 6, 1995.
- c. Minutes of the meeting of the Commission on Children, Youth and Families, July 13, 1995.
- d. Minutes of the meetings of the Appointments Committee, June 26 and July 10, 1995.
- e. Report of the Director of Finance, June 1995.
- f. Tacoma Employees' Retirement System 54th Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1994.

Council Member Kirby arrived at 5:06 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Evans moved that the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 33116, be approved. Seconded by Council Member Baarsma. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 33116, was declared approved.

REGULAR AGENDA

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Substitute Ordinance No. 25748

Accepting a grant award from Pierce County in the amount of \$12,500; depositing in and appropriating said sum from the Miscellaneous Grants Summary Fund for operating the Tacoma-Pierce County Child Care Resource and Referral Service.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, De Forrest, Evans, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Moss.

Nays: 0.

Absent: 1 -- Crowley.

The Substitute Ordinance was declared passed.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 25746 (Continued from the meeting of August 1, 1995)

Vacating portions of East 11th Street on either side of the Blair Waterway for the purpose of unifying the abutting properties following removal of the Blair Bridge. (Port of Tacoma; File No. 124.1012)

Mayor Moss moved to continue Ordinance No. 25746 to the meeting of August 22, 1995. Seconded Deputy Mayor Evans. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

The Ordinance No. 25746 will be considered at the regular City Council meeting of August 22, 1995.

Ordinance No. 25749

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to reclassify the property located north of Norpoint Way NE and east of Marine View Drive from a "R-2" One-Family Dwelling District to a "R-2PRD" Planned Residential Development District for 180 single-family building sites. (Narrows II Partnership; File No. 120.1347)

Council Member Miller moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Evans. 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.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 33113 (Continued from the meeting of August 8, 1995)

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Tacoma-Pierce County Small Business Incubator in the amount of \$86,190 for administering the Eastside Small Business Incubator Program.

Deputy Mayor Evans moved to suspend the rules to consider Substitute Resolution No. 33133. Seconded by Council Member Baarsma. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Speaking before Council were:

Robert Skanes, Chair	Tacoma-Pierce County Small Business Incubator
Al Pearn	4314 East B Street

Mayor Moss moved that the Substitute Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Evans . Voice vote was taken and carried. The Substitute Resolution was declared adopted.

Purchase Resolution No. 33117

Awarding contracts to:

1. Alloy Trailers, Inc., on their bid of \$126,900 for five container chassis trailers - Specification No. G-028-95;
2. Randles Sand & Gravel on their bid of \$73,372 for asphalt paving sand - Specification No. G-037-95; and
3. Smith Tractor and Equipment Co., in the amount of \$17,500 to increase their contract for rental of a front-loader tractor - P.O. No. 18377.

Deputy Mayor Evans moved that the Purchase Resolution, including waiving formal bidding procedures on Item No. 3, be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Baarsma.

Voice vote was taken and carried on the Purchase Resolution. The Purchase Resolution, including waiving formal bidding procedures on Item No. 3, was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 33118

Authorizing the execution of a comprehensive settlement agreement with the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe regarding the Tribe's Treaty Rights to fish and access the Green/Duwamish River System.

Speaking before Council was:

Virginia Cross

Muckleshoot Indian Tribe

Mayor Moss moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Evans. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 33119

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with Body Logic Health Management in the amount of \$19,000 for back injury prevention training.

Mayor Moss moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Evans. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 33120

Naming a new street in northeast Tacoma "Norpoint Way Northeast."

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

Resolution No. 33121

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Tacoma Housing Authority in the amount of \$451,956 to implement a Rental Assistance Program.

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

Resolution No. 33122

Authorizing the execution of a new operating agreement with the Hilltop Homeownership Development Center in the amount of \$202,890 for personnel and program operating costs; and authorizing the execution of an amendment to the Development Agreement with the Hilltop Homeownership Development Center in the amount of \$123,750 for acquisition, rehabilitation, and construction costs.

Mayor Moss moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Evans.

Speaking before Council was:

David Alger Hilltop Homeownership Development Center

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

Council Member Kirby reported that at the Pierce County Council meeting tonight the County Council adopted a resolution requesting the County Executive implement certain kinds of temporary solutions to the jail overcrowding situation. He also reported that the resolution requests that the County Executive appoint a Site Selection Committee to make recommendations to the County Council for finding a permanent solution to the jail site situation by December, 1995.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER:

City Manager Ray E. Corpuz, Jr. reported that the Private Industry Council Youth Internship Program placed 32 high school youths who worked in General Government and Public Utilities. In addition, 19 youth were placed in private businesses. Thirty-seven City employees served as mentors to the youth. Mr. Corpuz announced that on August 24, 1995, there will be a celebration of the program at the Rialto from 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL:

Mayor Moss moved to cancel the September 5, 1995 City Council meeting. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Evans. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Mayor Moss moved to excuse the absence of Council Member Crowley from tonight's meeting. Seconded by Council Member Miller. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Council Member Miller complimented the Pierce County Council for their decision on the jail facility. He also thanked City Council Members for their efforts on this situation. Council Member Miller expressed concern regarding a memorandum from the Finance Department on the registration and taxation of

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day care centers. He explained that the memorandum indicated there are over 200 State licensed day care centers that don't have business licenses. He indicated that probably a majority of these are small operations. Although he understood the need to equitably enforce the City's regulations, he explained there is a difference between enforcing the law as violations are brought to the City's attention, and making a concerted effort to go out and target a specific industry. He felt that this industry is struggling and the \$500 fee and taxes imposed on each one of those day care centers may put a number of them out of business. He indicated that the City's enforcement action will exacerbate an already difficult situation. He indicated that he rather see the City find a different way to handle this. Council Member Miller commented on the *CityScape* article about the two downtown bicycle cops. He complimented both of them for their prompt response and courteous solution to a recent situation when he had a need to call them.

Council Member McGavick reported on an interesting tour she attended of the Police Department's forensic department. She suggested that the Council take a tour of the Police Department and see the high tech equipment, such as the computerized finger printing system and the mug shot system. She complimented the Police Chief and his staff for an insightful visit.

Council Member Silas commented on the neighborhood festivals that she attended in the East Side neighborhood, Wrights Park, and People's Park. She indicated that this coming Saturday, Lincoln will be having their festival.

Council Member De Forrest indicated that the resolution or ordinance that set up the agreement with the Private Industry Council (PIC) should be updated. The resolution/ordinance references the PIC as the CETA Program, which no longer exists. Council Member De Forrest expressed his disappointment that the Library Board did not live up to their agreement to have a special board meeting after the last meeting they had with the Mayor and the Library Board. He asked the City Attorney to check on the membership of the Library Board. He indicated that three members were appointed by resolution and two were appointed by Council motion. He questioned whether the appointments by motion were valid. Council Member De Forrest thanked the City Attorney for a copy of the resolution which created the Tacoma Housing Authority Board. Council Member De Forrest requested that a resolution be brought before the Council to amend the Tacoma Housing Authority resolution to require a residency requirement for being appointed to the Housing Authority. Council Member De Forrest asked if the following situations could be considered cause for removal of Board members: 1) Under the Housing Authority bylaws, no Board member can be appointed Director of the Housing Authority except by being off the Board for a year. Since one of the two finalists for directorship resigned from the Board to be acting Director and then wants to be reappointed

to the Board if he doesn't get the directorship, would that constitute a cause for removal; and 2) In a split vote situation, and one member in China, it was suggested that perhaps a vote could be taken via a telephone conference call. Council Member De Forrest questioned if this would be valid under the Open Meetings Act and would this constitute cause for removing a Board member. On Saturday, he attended a rally pertaining to the appointment of a new director. He commented on the dedication to a neighborhood lot and park he attended on Saturday. Also on Saturday, he attended the first judo induction in the State Hall of Fame and had the honors of providing the keynote speech. Council Member De Forrest indicated that he was contacted by an officer of Second Harvest in Seattle regarding the closure of the food bank in Tacoma. He indicated that he asked Second Harvest to contact Planning and Development Services to see what can be done to continue the feeding program.

Council Member Kirby indicated that, to the extent possible, he would like to have individuals serving on the City's boards, committees, and commissions be residents of the city of Tacoma. He asked which boards, committees and commissions have residency requirements and which ones do not and why. It is his intent to make changes in that regard. He asked the City Manager to put together a student intern program to assist Council Members with special projects.

Council Member Baarsma reported that on August 10, 1995 he had the opportunity to represent the Mayor at the celebration of St. Peters Church on Starr Street. The purpose of the celebration was to burn the mortgage that represented the final payment on the new parish hall which is adjacent to the church. He explained that the church built in 1873 has a rich history. For those that want to see some history, he urged interested individuals to visit St. Peters Church to see the historic photos and other material.

Council Member Miller announced that the West End Neighborhood Council is having its summer picnic on Saturday, August 19, 1995 from 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at Jane Clark Park at North 39th and Orchard.

Deputy Mayor Evans reported that the School District, City staff, Metropolitan Park District and the Boys and Girls Clubs had a meeting regarding the formation of the North End Community Center which would service both the north and west end neighborhoods. He indicated that the North End and West End Neighborhood Councils will be asked to conduct a survey in their neighborhoods to find out how the North End Community Center should service their communities. Deputy Mayor Evans asked if the day care centers that were in violation given warning notices prior to receiving violation notices. Deputy Mayor Evans indicated that this week the Citizens' for Healthy Bay and other

groups met to discuss a way to get certain species of fish back into Puget Creek as a pilot project.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.



HAROLD G. MOSS, MAYOR

ATTEST: 

RICK ROSENBLADT, ACTING CITY CLERK

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