



City Council Minutes

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

May 24, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Council Members Present: 7 – Anderson, Lonergan, Manthou, Phelps, Stenger, Talbert, and Mayor Baarsma.

Council Members Absent: 2 – Evans and Ladenburg.

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member Manthou.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- a. Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, April 12, 19, and 26, 2005.
- b. Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, April 13, and April 27, 2005.
- c. Minutes of the LESA Executive Board, March 16, 2005.
- d. Minutes of the Public Safety and Human Services Committee, April 14 and April 28, 2005.
- e. Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session and meeting, April 13, 2005.
- f. Minutes of the Rainier Communications Commission, March 16, 2005.
- g. Minutes of the Tacoma-Pierce County Board of Health, April 6, 2005.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the Committee of the Whole, May 3, 2005.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 36518

Setting Tuesday, June 21, 2005, at 9:30 a.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on the request to vacate a portion of Asotin Street north of Center Street and south of South 28th Street for the construction of a two-story storage and repair building. (Network Services d.b.a. Network Tacoma; File No. 124.1244)

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Resolution No. 36519

Setting Tuesday, June 21, 2005, at 9:30 a.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on the request to vacate a portion of the alley between South C Street and Pacific Avenue and abutting South 28th and South 29th Streets for the construction of a multi-use commercial and residential development. (Seven Stones, LLC and William Baker; File No. 124.1245)

Resolution No. 36520

Setting Tuesday, June 21, 2005, at 1:30 p.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner to consider the creation of LID No. 2635, consisting of the reconstruction, repair, and renewal of sidewalks and landscaping; installation of ornamental streetlights; replacing and relocating existing streetlights and luminaries at various locations throughout the city.

Resolution No. 36521

Approving the final plat of "Park View Town Homes," a 15-lot subdivision located at 4011 - 4035 South 66th Street. (APEX Engineering, LLC; File No. 40000046073)

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 27362

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Municipal Code to reclassify the property located on the south side of East 57th Street and west of McKinley Avenue from an "R-2" One-Family Dwelling District and an "M-1" Light Industrial District to a "T" Transitional District, for the construction of 17 single-family homes and a storm drainage tract. (Tacoma-Pierce County Habitat for Humanity; File No. 40000041759)

Council Member Phelps moved that the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 36518 through 36521 and setting Ordinance No. 27362 over for final reading to a date to be determined, be approved. Seconded by Council Member Talbert.

Council Member Phelps moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner for Ordinance No. 27362. Seconded by Council Member Talbert. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 36518 through 36521, and setting Ordinance No. 27362 over for final reading to a date to be determined, was declared approved.

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PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Baarsma proclaimed May 2005 to be “Historic Preservation Month” and presented the proclamation to Mr. Jonathan Phillips, Chair, Landmarks Preservation Commission.

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 5:10 p.m.

Speaking before Council was:

Name	Address/Affiliation	Topic
Marty Jackson		Ordinance No. 27361

Public Comment closed at 5:15 p.m.

Council Member Phelps moved to suspend the rules to consider Resolution 36525. Seconded by Council Member Talbert. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 36525

Authorizing the execution of an Employment Agreement with Eric Anderson to serve as City Manager of Tacoma from July 15, 2005, through July 15, 2007.

Speaking before Council:

Name	Address/Affiliation	Subject
Allen Douglass	University Place resident	Resolution No. 36525

Council Member Phelps moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Talbert.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 – Anderson, Lonergan, Manthou, Phelps, Stenger, Talbert, and Mayor Baarsma.

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 – Evans and Ladenburg.

The Resolution was declared adopted.

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REGULAR AGENDA

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 27325

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Municipal Code to reclassify the property located at 4701 Center Street from an "R-2" One-Family Dwelling District to a "C-2" Commercial District for the expansion of a 52-stall parking lot serving Tacoma Motorsports. (Tacoma Motorsports; File No. 40000035644 - REZ2004)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 – Anderson, Lonergan, Manthou, Phelps, Stenger, Talbert, and Mayor Baarsma.

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 – Evans and Ladenburg.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 27361

Amending Title 4 of the Municipal Code, relating to public safety and watercraft regulations, by amending, adding, and repealing several sections of Title 4 and adding two new Chapters to be known and designated as Chapter 4.05, entitled "Watercraft Registration;" and Chapter 4.15, entitled "Recreational Watercraft Regulation," to comply with state law, update the Harbor Code regulations, and to enhance the effectiveness of the Marine Services Unit of the Police Department.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 – Anderson, Lonergan, Manthou, Phelps, Stenger, Talbert, and Mayor Baarsma.

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 – Evans and Ladenburg.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 27363

Amending Chapter 12.08 of the Municipal Code, relating to wastewater charges, to modify candy producer's current wastewater rates.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading on June 7, 2005.

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RESOLUTIONS

Purchase Resolution No. 36522

Awarding a contract to:

Petersen Brothers, Inc., in the amount of \$67,350.25, sales tax not applicable, for the removal and replacement of existing damaged guardrails and chain link fence in various locations throughout the city through June 7, 2007 – Specification No. PW05-0226F.

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

Resolution No. 36523

Authorizing the execution of a quitclaim deed to Anatara Capital, LLC, in the amount of \$3,615,000, for the sale of an undeveloped ten-acre site located at South 19th and Meyers Streets.

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

Resolution No. 36524

Creating a community-based Blue Ribbon Panel on high-risk/high needs residents to study issues and make recommendations to the City Council no later than November 15, 2005, for a community model affecting change relating to standards of care, quality assurance, and community relations for programs which serve said residents.

Council Member Phelps moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Talbert.

Mayor Baarsma asked for a friendly amendment on page 3, line 4, for the positions to be Chair and Vice-Chair instead of Chair and Co-Chair.

Council Member Anderson moved that the amendment be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Phelps. Voice vote was taken and carried. The amendment was declared adopted.

Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution, as amended, was declared adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER

No report.

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COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL

Council Member Phelps moved to excuse Deputy Mayor Ladenburg and Council Member Evans from the meeting. Seconded by Council Member Talbert. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

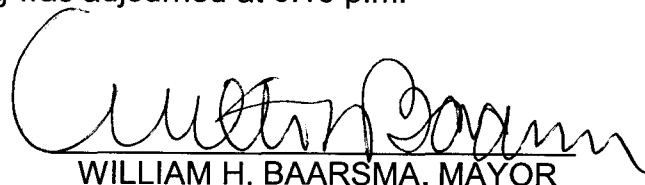
Council Member Lonergan recognized several City employees, including Mr. Tom Margeson, Building Maintenance, General Services Department, for his cost savings in repairing the seats at the Pantages Theater; Mr. Bill Bailey, Land Use Planner, Public Works Department, retiring after 31 years of service; Ms. Emelia Laurente, Customer Service, Sewer Utility, retiring after 30 years of service; and Ms. Dorothy Anderson, Graphics Division, General Services Department, celebrating her 30th anniversary with the City of Tacoma.

Council Member Talbert stated there would be another Eastside clean-up project and thanked the City Manager and staff for working with the neighborhood group to clean up the neighborhoods. He also stated he is tracking predatory loan agencies that prey on the most vulnerable citizens, and stated that he is aware that the City Manager has asked staff to start looking at model language for potential legislative solutions.

Council Member Phelps stated the City of Seattle's Broadband and Telecommunications Task Force told Seattle city leaders they needed to implement a citywide fiber-optic network. He was complimentary to Tacoma's City staff for the vision of Tacoma Public Utilities, the Public Utility Board, and the City Council, for moving forward to implement CLICK! Network several years ago.

Mayor Baarsma expressed his appreciation to the Council for the amount of time they dedicate to committees and for representing the citizens of Tacoma, and he reminded everyone the City of Destiny awards will be held tonight at Jason Lee Middle School and invited the public to attend.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:13 p.m.


WILLIAM H. BAARSMA, MAYOR

ATTEST: 
DORIS SORUM, CITY CLERK

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