

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
January 13, 1998

The meeting was called to order at 5:09 p.m.

Present on roll call: 8 - Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole. Absent: 1 - Phelps.

The Flag Salute was led by Deputy Mayor Crowley.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Tacoma City Council minutes and study session minutes of January 6, 1998.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- a. Hearing Examiner's Agenda, January 13, 1998.
- b. Minutes of the Arts Commission, December 8, 1997.
- c. Amended minutes of the Civil Service Board, December 15, 1997.
- d. Minutes of the Planning Commission, December 17, 1997.
- e. Minutes of the Transportation Committee, December 11, 1997.

Deputy Mayor Crowley moved that the Consent Agenda be approved. Seconded by Council Member Silas. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda was declared approved.

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Ebersole proclaimed the day of January 14, 1998, to be "TET in Tacoma Day" and presented the proclamation to Ms. Minh Ahn Hodge, Vice President of the Vietnamese Community of Tacoma-Pierce County.

Mayor Ebersole then proclaimed the day of January 15, 1998, to be "Sharon Hansen Day" and presented the proclamation to Ms. Barbara Kartchner, Assistant to the Tacoma-Pierce County Commission on Children, Youth and Families.

Mayor Ebersole appointed Mr. Stan Rumbaugh as a Commissioner of the Tacoma Housing Authority for a term commencing on January 13, 1998, and terminating on August 29, 2002.

REGULAR AGENDA

COMMUNICATION

City Clerk advising that the Civil Service Board has filed a proposed revision to amend Chapter 1.24 of the Municipal Code to add a new Section 1.24.951 regarding the issuance of subpoenas in proceedings before the Civil Service Board.

Mayor Ebersole stated that this Communication Item is for informational purposes only and no action is required at this time.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 25838

Vacating a portion of the alley between East 34th and East 35th Streets, west of Portland Avenue to allow consolidation of the petitioner's property for security purposes. (Sts. Peter and Paul Parish; File No. 124.1014)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Phelps

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Ordinance No. 26123

Vacating a portion of Frank Street to combine the vacated right-of-way with abutting property for the installation of an impermeable, multi-layer cap as part of the Consent Decree for a portion of the Commencement Bay Superfund cleanup project. (Bonneville Power Administration; File No. 124.1053)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Phelps

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26124

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Municipal Code to reclassify the property located at the northwest corner of South 90th and Hosmer Streets from an "R-4-T" Residential Commercial Transitional District to a "CFP" Freeway Commercial Personal Services District for the expansion of an existing motel complex. (Larson & Associates, Inc., File No. REZ97-00008)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Phelps

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Ordinance No. 26137

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Municipal Code to reclassify the property west of South Pine Street, between South 80th and South 78th Streets, from an "R-2" One-Family Dwelling District to an "R2-PRD" Planned Residential Development District, for the development of 32 single-family dwellings. (Hoover Building Company; File No. REZ96-00025)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Phelps

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26155

Vacating a portion of Fairwood Boulevard, between 41st Street NE and the North Shore Golf Course, to combine the vacated right-of-way with certain abutting residential lots. (Novastar Development; File No. 124.1055)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Phelps

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26158

Vacating the alley between 28th and 29th Streets Northeast, east from 62nd Avenue Northeast, to combine the vacated alley with adjacent properties. (ThunderChief Smoke Shop; File No. 124.1026)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

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Absent: 1 – Phelps

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Substitute Ordinance No. 26167

Amending Chapter 8.66 of the Municipal Code relative to public safety and morals regarding the carrying of firearms.

Council Member De Forrest moved to suspend the rules to allow public testimony. Seconded by Council Member Kirby. Voice vote was taken and failed with Council Members De Forrest and Kirby voting in favor of the motion. The motion was declared failed.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Phelps

The Substitute Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 26183

Accepting \$199,980 in Oil Rebate funds from the Washington State Department of Transportation; depositing in and appropriating said sum from the Tacoma Eastern Railroad Acquisition and Operating Fund for repairs to the Tacoma Eastern Railroad.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Ebersole

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 – Phelps

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 26187

Accepting the donation of 5.5 acres of real property in Northeast Tacoma to be used for open space from Barclay and Barbara Stanton.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 33822 (Continued from the meeting of September 16, 1997.)

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Tacoma Art Museum, in the amount of \$60,000, for site planning for the proposed new museum located in the vicinity of South 16th Street and Pacific Avenue.

Deputy Mayor Crowley moved to suspend the rules to consider Substitute Resolution No. 33822. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Council Member Miller moved that the Substitute Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Crowley.

Speaking before the Council were:

Name	Address/Affiliation
Chase Rynd	Executive Director, Tacoma Art Museum
Maria Barrientos	Managing Partner, Lorig Associates
Phyllis Barrett	912 South Cushman

Voice vote was taken and carried with Council Member De Forrest voting in opposition. The Substitute Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 33929

Authorizing the extension of water service to Goodpasture development, located at the northeast corner of 62nd Avenue East and 128th Street East, in the Summit area.

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

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Resolution No. 33930

Authorizing the execution of an extension of the lease agreement with the University of Washington, in the amount of \$7,560, for warehouse space located at 1925 Commerce Street, for the Emergency Home Repair Program.

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

Purchase Resolution No. 33931

Awarding contracts to:

1. Tacoma Steel Supply, in the amount of \$51,000, to increase their contract for metal supplies - Open Purchase Order No. 4053; and
2. American Linen, in the amount of \$214,730, to renew their contract for coverall, uniform and linen services - Specification No. G-059-96.

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

Resolution No. 33932

Accepting the Offer to Sell, in the amount of \$13,000, for the real property in the vicinity of South 14th Street and SR-16 to be used for recreation and open space.

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

Resolution No. 33935

Authorizing the execution of a Master Agreement for Signal Maintenance with Washington State Department of Transportation, in the amount of \$23,735.36, to maintain State-owned traffic signals within the limits of the City of Tacoma.

Deputy Mayor 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. 33936

Authorizing the submittal of a grant application to the Washington State Department of Ecology, in the amount of \$400,956, of Coordinated Prevention Grant funds to support recycling and hazardous waste programs.

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

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Resolution No. 33937

Authorizing the submittal of a grant application to the Washington State Department of Ecology, in the amount of \$40,000, for the development and implementation of a comprehensive stormwater education program.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER

City Manager Ray E. Corpuz, Jr. invited everyone to attend the 10th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Birthday Celebration on Monday, January 19, 1998, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Tacoma Dome Exhibition Hall. He stated that this event includes a free continental breakfast starting at 10:00 a.m., as well as free bus rides to the event and free admission. He stated that this is the largest celebration in the state of Washington and one of the largest in the nation.

Mr. Corpuz then introduced and welcomed Ms. Genal Gavaldon, Planning and Development Services Department, as the Special Assistant to the City Manager's office through the end of March.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL

Council Member Baarsma stated that this past weekend, the intrepid aviator Harold Bromley passed away at the age of 99 in Palm Desert, California. Council Member Baarsma stated that Harold Bromley attempted to fly non-stop across the Pacific Ocean in a plane called the "Spirit of Tacoma." Council Member Baarsma stated that his first attempt did not make it past the runway in Tacoma. He stated that Mr. Bromley then decided to take the plane to Japan and two years later successfully flew the plane to the Aleutian Islands. He stated that technically Mr. Bromley made it to one of the fifty states and the plane called the "Spirit of Tacoma" put the city of Tacoma on the map.

Council Member Miller stated that the braiding on the United States flag in the Council Chambers is in need of repair or replacement.

Council Member Miller requested information regarding the removal of the Schoenfelds' sign.

Public Works Director Bill Pugh responded to Council Member Miller's request stating that there are many signs that are not in compliance with the sign regulations in the downtown area. He stated that letters will be sent, within the next two weeks, requesting the owners of the buildings to comply with the sign regulations.

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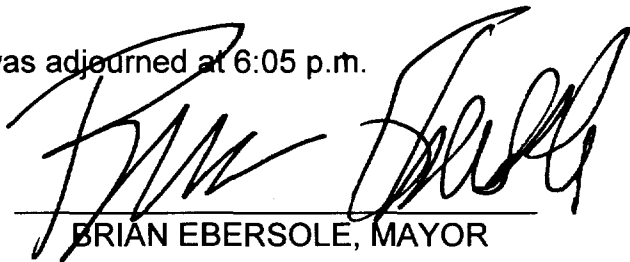
Mayor Ebersole stated that Ms. Barbara Clements, a reporter for *The News Tribune*, is moving on to a different assignment. He stated that Ms. Clements is a very fair and balanced reporter, who checks her sources. Mayor Ebersole then wished her well on her new assignment.

Council Member Silas also wished Ms. Clements good luck in her new position. Council Member Silas stated that she will miss Ms. Clements.

Council Member Silas moved to excuse Council Member McGavick from the January 6, 1998, City Council meeting and Council Member Phelps from tonight's meeting. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Crowley. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Mayor Ebersole thanked the City of Tacoma employees who drove the sanding trucks and those employees who stayed up all night responding to the snow storm. He stated that they did an excellent job in keeping the streets safe.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.


BRIAN EBERSOLE, MAYOR

ATTEST: 
RICK ROSENBLADT, CITY CLERK

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