

## CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers  
March 28, 1995

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

Present on roll call: 9 - Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Evans, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Moss.

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member De Forrest.

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Approval of the minutes of the Tacoma City Council meeting of March 14, 1995.

### ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Hearing Examiner agendas for March 27 and 28, 1995.
- b. Minutes of the meeting of the Human Rights Commission, February 16, 1995.
- c. Total Services Delivery Report for the Tacoma-Pierce County Humane Society, January 1995.

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

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### REGULAR AGENDA

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:

Presentation of suggestion awards.

Mayor Moss presented Mr. Michael Chapin with a certificate and check for his suggestion on designing a plow bade to fit forklifts. He then presented Mr. Richard Fuller with a certificate and check for his suggestion on improving an extraction procedure.

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FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 25674

Vacating a portion of the north 40 feet of North 41st Street, east of Ferdinand Street, to combine the vacated area with the abutting property to short plat into three building sites. (Steven M. Rich; File No. 124.1009)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 -- Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Evans, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Moss.

Nays: 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 25683

Amending the Pay and Compensation Plan to implement rates of pay for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Clerical Unit and certain unrepresented employees and changes in classifications to reflect changes in the organizational structure.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 -- Baarsma, Crowley, De Forrest, Evans, Kirby, McGavick, Miller, Silas, and Mayor Moss.

Nays: 0.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 25684

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to reclassify the property located at Skagit Place and King Place in the vicinity of South 36th and Pine Streets from a "R-4" Multiple-Family Dwelling District to a "C-2" Commercial District to extend an existing parking lot. (COSTCO Wholesale Corporation; File No. 120.1391)

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

Ordinance No. 25685

Vacating Skagit Place and King Place in the LINCOLN HEIGHTS ADDITION and that portion of South Fife Street lying between King Place and Montana Avenue to expand off-street parking. (COSTCO Wholesale Corporation; File No. 124.1007)

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

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RESOLUTIONS:

Purchase Resolution No. 32948

Awarding contracts to:

1. Pochel Distributing to increase their contract in the amount of \$17,000 for automotive parts - Specification No. G-065-91;
2. PRC Public Sector, Inc., in the amount of \$50,063.02 for a computer aided dispatch and records management system maintenance contract; and
3. General Chemical Corporation to increase their contract in the amount of \$193,260 for liquid aluminum sulfate - Specification No. G-066-93.

Council Member Miller moved that the Purchase be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Crowley.

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

Resolution No. 32926

Authorizing the execution of a four-year lease agreement with Patrick Healy in the amount of \$153,767.08 for space located at 3711 Center Street for the OASIS Project for teens.

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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. 32949

Approving the preliminary plat of FERN HILL PARK to subdivide a parcel of land located at South 92nd Street, east of South K Street into 12 single-family building lots. (John Dunham; File No. 125.345)

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. 32950

Approving the preliminary plat of STERLING RIDGE to subdivide a parcel of land located at South Asotin Street, south of South 58th Street into 20 residential building lots. (Jerry Barnett; File No. 125.351)

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

Resolution No. 32951

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with Allenmore Industrial Medicine in the amount of \$60,000 for random employee drug and alcohol testing of commercially licensed truck drivers through December 31, 1996.

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

Resolution No. 32952

Authorizing the execution of an amendment to the Upland Area Consent Decree with the Washington State Department of Ecology and Metropolitan Park District to incorporate Parcel 7, Morris Property, along the Thea Foss Waterway for clean-up actions.

Deputy Mayor Evans moved to suspend the rules to consider Substitute Resolution No. 32952. Seconded by Council Member Crowley. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Deputy Mayor Evans moved that the Substitute Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Baarsma. Voice vote was taken and carried with Council Member De Forrest voting in opposition. The Substitute Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 32953

Encouraging officers of the City of Tacoma to seek funds for the design and construction of SR-509 on-off ramps to Portland Avenue.

Council Member Crowley moved to continue Resolution No. 32953 to a date to be determined and to review this matter at a Council study session prior to placing the Resolution back on the agenda. Seconded by Council Member De Forrest. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 32953 will be continued to a date to be determined.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS: (Began at 6:15 p.m.)

- a. This is the date set for a public hearing to consider the proposed sale of surplus property known as the Spanaway Substation located at 176th Street and Pacific Avenue.

There were no speakers before the Council. The hearing was declared closed at 6:18 p.m.

- b. This is the date for a public hearing to consider the proposed sale of surplus property known as the Hillsdale Substation located at 60th and East B Streets.

Speaking before the Council was:

Leonard McCarthy  
Linda Avery

5902 East B Street  
Resident

The hearing was declared closed at 6:27 p.m.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

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REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER:

None.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL:

Mayor Moss moved that the City Council hereby authorize the proper officers of the City to agree, as recommended by letter to the City Manager dated March 23, 1995, from the Legal Department (Worker's Comp Claim T-592155, to the settlement of a claim by a City employee against third parties on a matter for which worker's compensation was paid by the City. Seconded by Council Member Silas. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Council Member McGavick reported that she and Council Member Kirby had the pleasure of participating in the 1995 coronation of the Daffodil queen. She indicated that the event was very inspirational. She congratulated the following students individuals:

Shianne Saylor, Bethel High School, Miss Congeniality Award  
Angela Diaz, Fife High School, First Runner Up  
Janell Wagenblast, Wilson High School, Second Runner Up  
Cynthia Gee, Foss High School, Daffodil Queen

She also congratulated the following students who received scholarships:

Jimmena Simmons, Lincoln High School  
Brooke Vargas, Franklin Pierce High School  
Krista Severeid, Rogers High School

Council Member Silas reported that at the Metropolitan Park District Board meeting last night, they discussed working with Tacoma School District on the improvements for Franklin School. Council Member Silas announced that a public safety meeting will be held on Thursday, March 30 at the Al Davies Boys and Girls Club starting at 6:30 p.m. She encouraged interested individuals to attend and voice their opinions. She wished Tom Dixon a happy birthday.

Council Member Kirby asked how long were the video tapes and audio tapes of the Council meetings kept. Staff indicated video tapes are kept for two years and audio tapes are kept for six years.

Council Member De Forrest asked staff to provided a response on what happened to the \$60,000 set-aside for sidewalk repairs on McKinley Avenue as outlined in an August 30, 1993 memorandum to former Council Member Ruth McElliott. He reported that there have been no sidewalk repairs made on McKinley Avenue.

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Council Member De Forrest asked where does the money in the escrow account for the Morris property go. He also asked if the City was paying for the leasehold tax on the Morris property.

Mayor Moss reported on the three public safety meetings that have been held thus far. He reported that there was a good turnout at the first meeting at the Portland Avenue Community Center. He indicated that the second and third meetings at the Meeker and Geiger Schools were poorly attended. Mayor Moss expressed concern that with the low turnout, the report on public safety may not be a valid representation of the concerns for getting a wide base of possible solutions. He suggested that perhaps notices on a broader base should be placed in the press. He also suggested that the Municipal Channel air the meeting dates and times of the public safety meetings to maximize the number of people in attendance.

Mayor Moss expressed his pleasure to see the beginnings of a construction project for 20 new affordable homes in the Hilltop.

Mayor Moss commented on his experience at the forum for African-American Mayors that was held on Saturday, March 25, 1995 and on the African-American museum exhibit at the State Historical Museum.

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

  
HAROLD G. MOSS, MAYOR

ATTEST: Rick Rosenblatt  
RICK ROSENBLADT, ACTING CITY CLERK