

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers
October 10, 1978

The meeting was called to order at 5:14 p.m. by Councilman Schroeder.

Present on roll call: 6 - Bichsel, Evans, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder and Strege. Absent: 3 - Hudson, Warnick and Mayor Parker. Councilman Hudson arrived at 5:37 p.m. and Mayor Parker arrived at 5:45 p.m.

The Flag Salute was led by Councilman Strege.

Councilman Nielsen nominated Councilman Schroeder as temporary chairman. Seconded by Councilman Strege. Voice vote was taken and carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the special and regular meetings of October 3, 1978.

PETITIONS:

C & T Construction, Inc., requesting the rezoning of the property located on East 74th Street between the alley between McKinley Avenue and East "G" Street from an "R-2" to an "M-1" District.

For referral to the Hearings Examiner.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 25320

Setting Tuesday, October 31, 1978 at 10:30 a.m. as the date for hearing by the Hearings Examiner the request for vacation of portions of East "Q" Street from East 58th to East 59th and the alley between East 58th and East 59th Street. (Department of Community Development)

Resolution No. 25321

Setting Monday, November 13, 1978 at 4:00 p.m. as the date for hearing L.I.D. 3800 for sanitary sewers in 53rd Avenue N.E. from 27th N.E. to 29th N.E.; 54th Avenue N.E. from 25th N.E. to 29th N.E. and 27th Street N.E. from 54th Avenue N.E. to 56th Avenue N.E.

Resolution No. 25322

Setting Tuesday, October 17, 1978 and Tuesday, October 24, 1978, at 5:00 p.m. as the dates for public hearing on a Community Development Program amendment relating to establishing proposed interim Neighborhood Strategy areas.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Hearings Examiner agenda for Tuesday, October 10, 1978.
- b. Minutes of the meetings of the Board of Pierce County Commissioners, October 2 and October 3, 1978.
- c. Minutes of the meeting of the Urban Policy Advisory Committee, September 21, 1978.
- d. Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners, September 25, 1978.
- e. Aging Schedules for Urban Arterial Projects, Department of Public Works, September 29, 1978.
- f. Schedule of Purchase and Sales of Investments by Tacoma Employees' Retirement System, September, 1978.
- g. Monthly Towing Reports; June, July, August, September, 1978.
- h. Report of the Director of Finance, June 30, 1978.

Councilwoman Bichsel moved that all items, including Resolutions Nos. 25320, 25321 and 25322 be approved. Seconded by Councilman Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda was approved.

R E G U L A R A G E N D A

COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. Hearings Examiner advising that John Smith has withdrawn his request for reclassification of the area located north and west of South 16th Street, approximately 400 feet east of Walters Road from an "R-2" to an "R-3" District.

The Communication was filed.

- b. City Attorney advising that George Economou has withdrawn his request for vacation of Ash Street from 40th Street to the southerly right-of-way line of Interstate Highway 5 and South 39th Street from Ash Street to the easterly right-of-way line of Interstate Highway 5 and requests that the file be closed.

Councilman Nielsen moved to concur with the request of the City Attorney to permanently table Ordinance No. 21434 and close the file. Seconded by Councilwoman Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Councilman Schroeder moved to suspend the rules to reconsider Ordinance No. 21489 which was passed October 3, 1978. Seconded by Councilman Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Ordinance No. 21489

Amending the compensation plan relating to State Industrial Insurance and the Personnel Committee.

Virginia Dymont, Assistant Personnel Director, said the Ordinance excludes the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department from participation in the On-the-job injury self insurance provisions. It has now been determined that the Health Department can be included. In order to include the Health Department, she suggested the Ordinance be amended on Page 1, Line 9, by deleting the words, "the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department" and on Page 3, by adding subsection 7 to read as follows: "All provisions hereof shall be deemed applicable to the Health Pooling Fund and Health Department Compensation Plans when the same are applicable to Health Department Employees."

Councilman Nielsen moved that the amendments as outlined by Mrs. Dymont be made. Seconded by Councilwoman Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried. Roll call vote was taken on the Ordinance as amended resulting as follows: Ayes: 6 - Bichsel, Evans, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder and Strege. Nays: 0 Absent: 3 - Hudson, Warnick and Mayor Parker. The amended Ordinance was approved.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 21510

Creating a new fund to be known as the Fair Employment Practices Fund; accepting a grant award in the amount of \$34,980 from the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission; appropriating \$34,980, or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Fair Employment Practices Fund for the purpose of implementing a rapid charge resolution system and declaring an emergency, making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Final reading of the Ordinance was set over for next week.

Ordinance No. 21511

Amending Chapter 11.24 of the Official Code to add five sections numbered 11.24.010 through 11.24.050 relating to traffic and parking.

Councilman Nielsen moved to amend the Ordinance on Page 3, Line 11, to delete all of the wording after the word "not" and insert the words "less than ten dollars nor more than twenty-five dollars." Seconded by Councilman Evans. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Speaking against the Ordinance were:

- Stuart Soffer, P. O. Box 40, Dupont, Wash.
- Norman Larsen, 2912 So. "C" St., Tacoma
- Brad Wrigley, 9054 Ridgeview Drive W
- Frances Larsen, 2912 So. "C" St.
- Wm. K. Hyatt, 2902 - 49th Ave. N.E.

Final reading of the Ordinance was set over for next week.

Ordinance No. 21512

Amending Section 1.06 of the Official Code to add Parking Checkers to the Traffic Engineering Division to assist the Police Department in the enforcement of all non-moving traffic ordinance violations.

Speaking on the Ordinance were: Stuart Soffer and Wm. Hyatt.

Final reading of the Ordinance was set over for next week.

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Mayor Parker introduced Mayor Michael Young, Mayor of Victoria, B.C., Canada, who is in Tacoma in conjunction with the sailing of the S.S. "Princess Margarite," Wednesday morning, October 11th from Tacoma to Victoria.

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Ordinance No. 21513

Amending Section 11.20 of the Official code to add Broadway from South Ninth Street to South Sixth Street as northbound only.

Final reading of the Ordinance was set over for next week.

Ordinance No. 21514

Authorizing execution of a grant award contract with the State of Washington under Title III CETA in the amount of \$9,500; appropriating the sum of \$9,500, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the No. 1380 Youth Job Restructuring Fund for the purpose of continuing the Job Restructuring Project and declaring an emergency, making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Final reading of the Ordinance was set over for next week.

Ordinance No. 21515

Authorizing execution of a grant award contract with the U.S. Dept. of Labor under Title III CETA in the amount of \$40,000; appropriating said sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the No. 1762 Hire II Fund for the purpose of operating a Help Through Industry Retraining and Employment Program for eligible veterans and declaring an emergency, making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Final reading of the Ordinance was set over for next week.

Ordinance No. 21516

Transferring the sum of \$3,000 from the Contingency fund to the General Fund, appropriating the sum of \$3,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the General Fund for the purpose of

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providing costs of services of a Community Center Director at the Southend Community Center for a period of two months, and declaring an emergency, making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Final reading of the Ordinance was set over for next week.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 25272 (continued from the meeting of October 3.)

Authorizing adoption of Community Development policies applicable to the Fifth Year Program (1979-1980) and EDBG entitlement.

Mayor Parker moved to consider substitute Exhibit "A" of the resolution. Seconded by Councilman Schroeder. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Councilwoman Bichsel moved that the Resolution be continued one week. Seconded by Councilman Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was continued to October 17, 1978.

Resolution No. 25323

Awarding contract to Griffin Galbraith on its bid for annual supply of heating fuels.

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

Resolution No. 25324

Authorizing the purchase of used halide lights and plexiglass from Mr. Harry Ornest for use at Cheney Stadium and waiving the requirement for competitive bidding.

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

Resolution No. 25325

Authorizing execution of an agreement with the State of Washington Department of Transportation for the construction of the Highland Hills Frontage Road from Pearl to Mildred Street.

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

Resolution No. 25326

Authorizing execution of an agreement with the Metropolitan Park District for construction of certain improvements to the Rogers Playground in accordance with the Community Development Plan, 1978-79.

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

Resolution No. 25327

Authorizing execution of an agreement with the Metropolitan Park District to provide for the expansion of the South Park Community Center in accordance with the Community Development Plan, 1978-1979.

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

Resolution No. 25328

Authorizing the purchase of a Parkco Rubber Railroad Grade Crossing System and waiving the requirement for competitive bidding.

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

Resolution No. 25329

Expressing the intent and desire of the City of Tacoma to participate in the proposed Public Transportation Benefit Area currently under consideration by the Pierce County Board of Commissioners and the Pierce County Public Transportation Improvement Conference.

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

Resolution No. 25330

Authorizing allocation of the sum of \$500,000 of General Revenue Sharing funds to selected social service agencies for Calendar Year, 1979.

Councilwoman Bichsel moved to adopt substitute Resolution No. 25330. Seconded by Councilman Evans. Councilman Strege moved to amend the Resolution on Page 1, Line 7, add the year 1977 immediately preceding the words "Citizens Advisory Committee." Seconded by Councilman Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. Voice vote was taken and carried on the Resolution as amended. The amended Resolution was declared adopted.

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REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER:

City Manager Erling Merk reported he has asked the Department of Community Development to draft documentation for an Urban Development Action Grant for a downtown garage for a future hotel.

Councilman Schroeder moved that the first public hearing be held next week on the City's Urban Development Action Grant application for construction of two additional levels to Park Plaza South parking garage. Seconded by Councilman Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

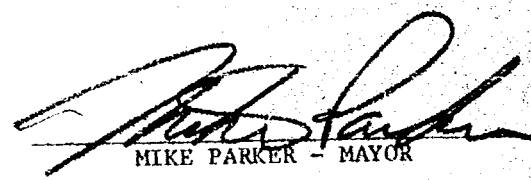
COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

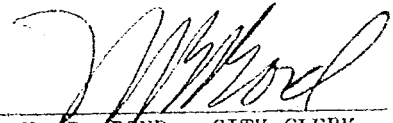
Councilman Hudson moved that Mayor Parker and Deputy Mayor Warnick be appointed to replace Councilwoman Bichsel and Councilman Evans as members of the L.I.D. Committee for the months of October, November & December. Seconded by Councilman Schroeder.

Mayor Parker declared the motion out of order. City Attorney, Bob Hamilton, confirmed that a resolution adopted in 1953 indicates that the L.I.D. Committee shall be appointed by the Mayor. Councilman Schroeder reported that the records show that every Mayor since Ben Hanson, with one exception, has taken his regular turn as a member of the L.I.D. Committee.

Mayor Parker requested the City Manager to investigate the possibility of establishing public parking lots on certain City owned property next to the Diamond Parking lot on Market Street near the Bicentennial Pavilion.

On proper motion the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.


MIKE PARKER - MAYOR

ATTEST: 
H. B. BOND - CITY CLERK