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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers  
March 21, 1978

The meeting was called to order at 5:09 P.M.

Present on roll call: 9 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

The Flag Salute was led by Deputy Mayor Warnick.

The prayer was led by Reverend Linden Merk, of Bethel Lutheran Church.

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PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Parker proclaimed the week of April 1 - 8, 1978 as "Week of the Young Child" in the City of Tacoma.

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C O N S E N T   A G E N D A

Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of March 14, 1978.

PETITIONS:

- a. J. Miller Northbay Construction, Inc., requesting the rezoning of the property located on the west side of Pearl Street between North 43rd and North 44th Streets extended west from an "R-2" to an "R-3" District.
- b. Annon W. May, requesting the rezoning of the property located on the southeast corner of South 74th and Oakes Streets from an "R-2" to an "R-4-L" District.

For referral to the Hearings Examiner.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 24912

Setting Tuesday, March 28, 1978 at 5:00 p.m. as the date for hearing the application of Norris Nelson for an Open Space Current Use Assessment for a five acre parcel approximately two miles northwest of the intersection of Marine View Drive and East 11th Street between Marine View Drive and Brown's Point Boulevard.

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ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Hearings Examiner agenda for Tuesday, March 21, 1978.
- b. Minutes of the Board of Park Commissioners meeting of February 27, 1978.
- c. Minutes of the Municipal Authority meeting of February 9, 1978.
- d. Minutes of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority meeting of February 21, 1978.
- e. 1977 Annual Reports for the Belt Line Railway, Data Processing, City Light and City Water Divisions.
- f. Association of Washington Cities filing amended State Environmental Policy Act guidelines.

Mrs. Bichsel moved that all items on the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 24912, be approved. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The items were declared approved.

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R E G U L A R   A G E N D A

COMMUNICATIONS:

Hearings Examiner recommending denial of request of William Parker and Karl Jones, File No. 120.828, for reclassification from an "R-2T" to an "R-4LT" at the northeast corner of South 19th and State Streets to allow the construction of three two-story apartment buildings containing 18 dwelling units on the site.

Mr. Nielsen moved to concur in the Conclusions and Recommendations of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried.

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FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 21183

Amending Chapter 13.06 of the Official Code to reclassify the area south of 29th Street N.E. and between 61st Avenue N.E. and 62nd Avenue N.E. from an "R-2" to an "R-3" District. (Stanley W. Barker)

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Ordinance No. 21288 (Continued from March 7.)

Providing for the improvement of L.I.D. 8199 for permanent paving on South Cove from 57th to 62nd; South "I" from 25th to 27th; other nearby streets; and asphaltic concrete pavement of the alley between South 12th and 13th from Puget Sound Avenue to Union Avenue and the alley between South Warner and Lawrence from 200 feet south of 40th to 43rd Street.

Mr. Kirby moved to delete the Mantiou area from the ordinance. Seconded by Mr. Strege. Voice vote was taken and declared failed.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 7 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Nielsen, Schroeder, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 2 - Kirby and Strege.

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21296

Creating a new fund to be known as the "Water Revenue Bonds, Series of 1975, Redemption Fund," authorizing the transfer to said fund the sum of \$8,764,222.74 from the temporary account in the 1978 Bond Fund and appropriating the same for the investment and redemption of the Series of 1975, and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21298

Amending the Compensation Plan to meet certain federal requirements and to clarify titles and add positions for the Medical Arts Building maintenance.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Ordinance No. 21299

Amending Section 11.36.110 of the Official Code relating to speed limits on South 12th Street.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21300

Amending the pay and compensation plan to implement certain salary adjustment reached through collective bargaining with Amalgamated Transit Union Local 758, effective January 1, 1978.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21301

Creating a new fund to be known as the "Neighborhood Arts Program Fund," accepting a grant in the amount of \$2,500.00 from the State of Washington, authorizing the transfer of the sum of \$1,250.00 from the General Fund, appropriating the sum of \$5,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the Neighborhood Arts Program Fund, and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Ordinance No. 21302

Appropriating the sum of \$21,920.78, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the Equipment Rental Capital Outlay Fund No. 541-472 for the purpose of purchasing necessary vehicles for the Police Department and the Department of Human Development, and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance and its taking effect immediately upon publication.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21303

Providing for the improvement of L.I.D. 5584 for construction water mains and fire hydrants in Blossom Drive from 41st Street N.E. to Brown's Point Boulevard and 41st Street N.E. from Blossom Drive to Brown's Point Boulevard.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21304

Providing for the improvement of L.I.D. 8200 for permanent paving on 44th Avenue N.E. from approximately 175 feet south of 30th Street N.E. to 33rd Street N.E.; 45th Avenue N.E. from 30th Street N.E. to 33rd Street N.E., and 30th Street N.E. from 44th Avenue N.E. to 45th Avenue N.E.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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Ordinance No. 21305

Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L.I.D. 3787 for construction sanitary sewers in South Alaska from South 95th to South 96th and in the alley between East "G" and McKinley Avenue from East 88th to East 90th Street.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21306

Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L.I.D. 8155 for permanent paving in the alley between North 24th and North 25th from North Mullen to North Ferdinand Street.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21307

Approving and confirming the assessment roll for L.I.D. 3786 for constructing sanitary sewers in Shorecliff Drive from Brown's Point Boulevard southerly approximately 1,100 feet and Brown's Point Boulevard from 33rd Street N.E. to Shorecliff Drive.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 21311

Authorize the issuance and sale of Local Improvement District Bonds Issue No. 9.

William Appel, the City's bond council of the firm Roberts, Shefelman, Lawrence Gay & Moch of Seattle, explained the interest rate and answered questions of Council members. He asked that the following be inserted on

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page 3 of the ordinance on line 4, the rate of 6.75% and on line 6, the rate of 6.00%.

Mr. Hudson moved that the amendment be made as indicated. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Roll call vote was taken on the Ordinance as amended, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Parker.

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 21308

Amending Chapter 11.36 of the Official Code by repealing Subsection 11.36.110(22.1) and adding a new subsection to be known as 11.36.100(93) to set the maximum rate of speed of 30 mph on Marine View Drive from Highline Road to east city limits.

John C. Frye, 1423 South 43rd Street, spoke.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Mayor Parker moved to suspend the rules to consider Resolution No. 24927 prior to Ordinance No. 21309. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Resolution No. 24927

Expressing the Council's intent to establish the position of Executive Assistant to the Mayor and providing for the method of recruitment.

Mayor Parker moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Kirby.

Mayor Parker said that he would suggest an amendment to the resolution and the ordinance to have the position be an Executive Assistant to the Mayor and to the Council. He also said that he would suggest that this resolution be continued for adoption at the time of final reading of the ordinances. He said that he would suggest that the final reading of the two ordinances be held at a Special Meeting of the City Council on noon Monday, March 27th.

After discussion, Mr. Hudson moved to continue the resolution for three weeks. Seconded by Mrs. Bichsel. Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows: Ayes: 4 - Bichsel, Hudson, Schroeder and Warnick. Nays: 5 - Evans, Kirby, Nielsen, Strege and Mayor Parker. The motion was declared failed.

Speaking to the resolution were:

John C. Frye, 1423 South 43rd  
Sam Klaben, 1520 South Washington Street  
Jerry Fulton, 5001 South Oakes  
Arthur Brown, 2127 South "I"  
Doug Sutherland, 4515 Kennedy Road N.E.

Mayor Parker indicated it was his desire to have vote on the adoption of the resolution and have final reading of Ordinance Nos. 21309 and 21310 at a noon meeting on Monday.

After discussion with Acting City Attorney, Fran Chapin, Mayor Parker indicated that prior to adjourning the meeting he would move to schedule a Special Meeting of the City Council for Monday, March 27, 1978 at 12:00 noon to vote on adoption of Resolution No. 24927, Ordinance Nos 21309 and 21310.

Under Unfinished Business of this meeting, by motion, the resolution was continued for three weeks.

Ordinance No. 21309

Authorizing the transfer of the sum of \$22,000.00 from the Contingency Fund to the General Fund and appropriating said sum for the purpose of paying the salary and fringe benefits for balance of 1978 for the position of Executive Assistant to the Mayor, and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance.

Speaking in favor of the ordinance was John C. Frye, 1423 South 43rd.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading in three weeks (see Resolution No. 24927 on preceding page and motion under Unfinished Business).

Ordinance No. 21310

Amending the pay and compensation plan to add the position of Executive Assistant to the Mayor, and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance.

The Ordinance was set over for final reading in three weeks (see Resolution No. 24927 on preceding page and motion under Unfinished Business).

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RESOLUTIONS:

Purchase Resolution No. 24919

1. Rejecting all bids on drop box containers.



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Awarding contracts to:

2. Boone's Welding & Steel on its bid of \$2,550.00 for Ruston Way display cases, W.O. 00135.
3. Boone's Welding & Steel on its bid of \$7,400.00 for Ruston Way heliochronometer (sundial), W.O. 00135 "B."
4. Lilyblad Petroleum, Inc., extending the present contract through September 20, 1978.
5. Golf Landscaping on its bid of \$37,524.91 for Puget Park, W.O. 82022.16.
6. AAA Building Maintenance on its bid of \$45,570.72 for janitorial service - Medical Arts Building.

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

Resolution No. 24920

Authorizing the purchase of one pickup truck from Tom Mattson Dodge utilizing the State of Washington Contract #368-77.

Mr. Schroeder moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Kirby. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 24921

Authorizing the purchase of 22 Plymouth Fury four-door sedans from S. L. Savidge utilizing the Washington State Patrol Bid No. 157.

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

Resolution No. 24922

Authorizing sale of surplus City vehicles and equipment to various bidders.

Mrs. Bichsel moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 24923

Amending Resolution 24875 pertaining to TelePrompter Corporation's rate increase request, to include language regarding installation, reconnect, additional outlet and other service charges.

Mr. Warnick moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

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Resolution No. 24924

Authorizing the City Manager to proceed with the permits, agreements, and cost data required to establish a Central Heating District Utility.

Mr. Warnick moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 24925

Authorizing execution of an agreement with the law firm of Preston, Thorgrimson, Ellis, Holman and Fletcher for services as Bond Counsel for the proposed issuance of Limited General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$6,085,000.00

Mr. Schroeder moved to amend the resolution on line 5 preceding the figure \$6,085,000.00 to add the word approximately. Seconded by Mrs. Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mayor Parker moved to delete \$3,250,000.00 from the amount of \$6,085,000.00. Seconded by Mr. Kirby. Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows: Ayes: 1 - Mayor Parker. Nays: 8 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Kirby, Nielsen, Schroeder, Strege and Warnick. The motion was declared failed.

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

Resolution No. 24926

Authorizing execution of a memorandum of agreement with McLean & Company, Inc. for financial consultants services in the issuance of Limited General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$6,085,000.00

Mr. Schroeder moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 24927

Expressing the Council's intent to establish the position of Executive Assistant to the Mayor and providing for the method of recruitment.

Resolution was continued to April 11, 1978. See Ordinance Nos. 21309 and 21310.

Resolution No. 24928

Appointing Dave White as a member of the Tacoma Housing Authority for a five-year term, expiring August 16, 1983.

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

Resolution No. 24929

Appointing Mrs. Kris Powell as a member of the Civic Arts Commission of Tacoma-Pierce County for a four-year term expiring March 21, 1982.

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

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mayor Parker commented that the County is going to call a meeting of the Transit Benefit District and said that Mr. Strege had been the City's representative in the past. Mr. Warnick moved that Mr. Strege be reappointed as the City's representative to the Transit Benefit District and that Rick Evans act as alternate. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mayor Parker reported that the Puget Sound Governmental Conference requests \$350 in order to continue negotiations with the Health System Agency regarding elected officials representation. Mayor Parker moved that \$350 be appropriated from the legislative budget to the Puget Sound Council of Governments for the purpose of providing the City of Tacoma's proportionate share of the cost of completing negotiations between local governments and the Puget Sound Health System's Agency. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mayor Parker reported receiving a letter of thanks from Progress House Association for suggesting the use of Remann Hall as an alternative to the proposal which they had for using Central Baptist and that this date the County Commissioners signed an agreement with Progress House Association.

Mayor Parker appointed Council members Bichsel, Evans and Schroeder to the L.I.D. Committee for the months of April, May and June.

Mr. Hudson moved that Resolution No. 24927 and Ordinance Nos. 21309 and 21310 not be considered except at a regularly scheduled Tuesday night meeting of the Council. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows: Ayes: 5 - Bichsel, Evans, Hudson, Schroeder and Warnick. Nays: 4 - Kirby, Nielsen, Strege and Mayor Parker. The motion carried.

Mayor Parker moved that Ordinance Nos. 21309 and 21310 and Resolution No. 24927 be continued three weeks. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried.

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REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER:

City Manager, Erling Mork, reminded Council members of the Budget Workshop to be held at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 25th on the 12th floor of the Pacific National Bank of Washington.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Mayor Parker reported that the Port of Seattle was entertaining the question of renaming the Seattle-Tacoma Airport and that research indicates the City of Tacoma, Pierce County and the Port of Tacoma had previously entered into a contract with the Port of Seattle in consideration for which was paid \$100,000.00. At that time the Port of Seattle paid \$300,000.00 for the property for the airport. In consideration for the \$100,000.00 it was agreed that any considered name change could only be made with the approval of the City of Tacoma, Pierce County and Port of Tacoma. He also reported that the investigation revealed airlines across the United States list Seattle as the name of the airport. He asked Council's permission to write to the various airlines requesting that they use the name of Seattle-Tacoma Airport. Permission was granted.

Mayor Parker also reported on his attendance at a meeting of the U.S. Conference of Mayors in San Francisco at which time he was advised of the regulations governing the cities under the present federal legislation for the reenactment of CETA.

Mayor Parker advised Council of his recent conversation with the Acting Counsel General of the Republic of Korea regarding adoption of a sister city and that he received a letter from the Government of the Republic of Korea suggesting that a sister city relationship be established with Kusan City.

Mr. Warnick referred to an article which appeared in the Seattle PI which indicated the Burlington Northern Railroad, now headquartered in Minneapolis, was considering moving their headquarters to the West. He asked the City Manager to obtain and give to Council certain specific data that could be used for a proposal that Tacoma be considered as the headquarters.

Mr. Warnick referred to the recent proposal to join the City and the County Manpower Planning Departments and asked that the matter be an agenda item for the Saturday Workshop.

Mr. Evans asked the City Manager to investigate whether relief is possible for certain property owners in the L.I.D. considered under Ordinance No. 21288. He also asked for the minutes and study agenda for what is known as the EIS Permit Process Task Force.

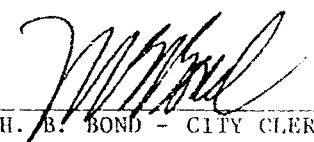
Mr. Evans asked to be excused from next weeks meeting. Motion was made by Strege and seconded by Mr. Hudson that he be excused. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mayor Parker asked to be excused from next week's meeting and the following week. Mr. Warnick moved that the request be granted. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mr. Nielsen referred to a citizen's request made at a meeting about three weeks ago regarding minimum standards on the housing code and asked for status of a report requested at that time.

On proper motion, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

  
MIKE PARKER - MAYOR

ATTEST:   
H. B. BOND - CITY CLERK