

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council Chambers  
February 3, 1976

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m.

Present on roll call: 9 - Bichsel, Hudson, Nelson, Nielsen, Schroeder, Sonntag, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Johnston. Absent: 0.

The Flag Salute was led by Mrs. Bichsel.

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C O N S E N T   A G E N D A

Approval of the minutes of the meeting of January 27, 1976.

PETITIONS:

Kenneth W. Johnson, Jr., requesting the rezoning of the property located on the northeast corner of South 19th and Durango Streets from an "R-2" to an "R-4-L" District.

Puget Sound Mutual Savings Bank requesting the rezoning of the property located on the southwest corner of Steele Street and South 42nd Street from an "R-4" to a "C-1" District.

For referral to the Hearings Examiner.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 23738      Setting Monday, February 23, 1976 at 4:00 p.m. as the date for hearing L.I.D. 5560 water mains and fire hydrants in Mason Avenue produced from approximately South 37th to 40th Street; South 40th from Mason Avenue produced to Manitou Way and in Manitou Way from South 40th to 42nd Street.

Resolution No. 23739      Setting Monday, February 23, 1976 at 4:00 p.m. as the date for hearing L.I.D. 8106 for permanent pavement on East 70th Street from East "K" to East "L"; also storm drain only in East "K" from East 70th to 72nd Street.

Resolution No. 23740      Setting Monday, February 23, 1976 at 4:00 p.m. as the date for hearing L.I.D. 8102 for permanent pavement on South "M" from South 58th to 59th Street.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:

- a. Minutes of Tacoma Public Library Board of Trustees meeting of January 6, 1976.
- b. Minutes of Affirmative Action Evaluation Committee meeting of January 7, 1976.
- c. Minutes of Public Utility Board meeting of January 14, 1976.

- d. Minutes of Tacoma-Pierce County Civic Arts Commission meeting of January 15, 1976.
- e. Minutes of Civil Service Board meeting of January 19, 1976.
- f. Minutes of City Planning Commission meetings of January 22 and 26, 1976.
- g. Minutes of Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee meeting of January 26, 1976.
- h. Minutes of Community Development Citizens Advisory Committee meeting of January 22, 1976.
- i. Minutes of Board of Port Commissioners of the Port of Tacoma meeting of January 22, 1976.
- j. Minutes of Pierce County Commissioners meetings of January 26 and 27, 1976.
- k. Monthly report, December, 1975, Fire Department.
- l. Monthly Financial Report, November 30, 1975, Belt Line Division, Light Division and Water Division.
- m. 1976 Annual Budget, Metropolitan Park District.

Mr. Nelson moved that all of the items listed on the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 23738, 23739, and 23740, be approved. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. 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:

- a. Legislative Report to the City Council by Mel Gaumer, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor.

Mel Gaumer reported on Bills in the State Legislature of interest and concern to the City.

- b. Hearings Examiner recommending denial of Harold and Dagmar Wick's request for reclassification of the area bounded by Westgate Boulevard, North Vassault, North 17th and North Frace Street from an "R-1" to an "R-3" District.

Mr. Nelson moved to concur in the recommendation of the Hearings Examiner. Seconded by Mr. Sonntag. Voice vote was taken and carried.

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Mayor Johnston moved to recess the meeting into Executive Session to receive an updated report on labor negotiations. Seconded by Mr. Hudson. Voice vote was taken and carried. The meeting recessed at 5:14 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 6:02 p.m.

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FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 20655

(Continued from the meeting of January 27th)  
 Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute an agreement with the Progress House Association for continuing operation of the Leo Charles House Project during 1976; appropriation \$26,900.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Federal Shared Revenue Fund; and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance.

Mr. Sonntag moved to amend the ordinance by substituting the amount \$41,900.00 for \$26,900.00 wherever it appears in the ordinance. Seconded by Mrs. Bichsel. Voice vote was taken and carried.

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

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Hudson, Nelson, Nielsen, Schroeder, Sonntag, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

The Ordinance, as amended, was declared passed.

Ordinance No. 20663 Providing for the improvement of L.I.D. 8104 for permanent paving of North Gove Street from North 46th to North Lee Street.

Mrs. Bertha Costanti, 3522 North Stevens, asked that that portion of North 36th from North Verde to North Stevens Street be removed from the ordinance as it was evident at the L.I.D. hearing that more than 55 percent of the property owners on that block were against the improvement and were assured that this section would be removed from the L.I.D.

Mr. Sonntag moved that that area known as the Hope Park Addition, North 36th from North Verde to North Stevens, be removed from the L.I.D. Seconded by Mr. Nelson.

It was pointed out that this section had been removed from the L.I.D. as it did not appear in the ordinance. Mr. Sonntag withdrew his motion.

Mr. Hudson moved to insert the corrected page two into the Ordinance. Seconded by Mr. Nelson. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Roll call was taken on the corrected ordinance, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 - Bichsel, Hudson, Nelson, Nielsen, Schroeder, Sonntag, Strege, Warnick and Mayor Johnston

Nays: 0

The Ordinance as amended was declared passed.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 20660 (Continued from the meeting of January 20th)  
Amending Section 6.62.020 of the Official Code relating to coin operated amusement devices and table games.

Mr. Nelson moved to remove the ordinance from the Agenda. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder. Voice vote was taken and carried. The ordinance was removed from the Agenda.

Ordinance No. 20664 Vacating North Whitman and North Frace Street from Westgate Boulevard to North 17th Street. (Harold Wick)

The Ordinance was set over to a date to be determined.

Ordinance No. 20665 Vacating three parcels of subsurface on South "J" Street lying between South 3rd and South 4th Street. (Tacoma General Hospital)

The Ordinance was set over to a date to be determined.

Ordinance No. 20666 Vacating a portion of former 74th Street between Interstate 5 and Wapato Street. (Dept. of Public Works)

The Ordinance was set over to a date to be determined.

Ordinance No. 20667 Vacating a portion of River Street between Puyallup Avenue and East 21st Street. (Dept. of Public Works)

The Ordinance was set over for final reading next week.

Ordinance No. 20668 Appropriating \$24,333.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Federal Shared Revenue Fund for the purpose of continuing the Financial Management Support Program during calendar year 1976.

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Ordinance No. 20669 Amending the Annual Budget for the year 1975 and appropriating the sum of \$2,900.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the General Fund for the purpose of paying certain expenditures of the Civic Arts Commission.

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Ordinance No. 20670 Amending the Pay and Compensation Plan to reflect negotiated salaries in Locals 17 and 120 and establishing a new class of Home Repair Laborer.

Mr. Sonntag moved to include corrected pages four and five. Seconded by Mr. Warnick. Voice vote was taken and carried.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 23724 (Continued from the meeting of January 27th)  
Authorizing the proper officers of the City to enter into an agreement with the Tacoma Chapter of the American Red Cross to implement the Red Cross Supplemental Transportation Program of the Department of Human Development's Transportation Division.

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

Purchase  
Resolution No. 23741 Awarding contracts to West Coast Electric on its bid of \$62,000.00 for Improvement 8078; to Totem Electric on its bid of \$36,642.00 for Improvement 8079; to E. J. Rody & Sons on its bid of \$16,864.05 for Work Order 91193; to Lilyblad Petroleum on its bid of \$20,000.00 for annual supply of motor oil for 1976 and to Phil Brodsky Uniforms, Pacific Outfitting and Hammar's Uniforms on their bids for Police Department uniforms.

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

Resolution No. 23742 Awarding contracts for chlorine gas to Pennwalt Corporation on its bid of \$31,500.00 in tank car quantities and to Jones Chemicals, Inc. on its bid of \$13,833.75 for one-ton and 100 pound containers.

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

Resolution No. 23743 Authorizing purchase of a fire engine from Fire Control Northwest for a sum not exceeding \$99,000.00 and waiving the requirement for competitive bidding.

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

Resolution No. 23744 Authorizing the Director of Utilities to make application for Federal Disaster Relief Funds.

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

Resolution No. 23745 Authorizing execution of agreements with qualified business concerns to participate in the On-the-Job Training Program.

Mayor Johnston moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Nelson. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Resolution No. 23746 Expressing approval and support for a public fishing pier development on Ruston Way and authorizing the proper officers of the City to advise the State Department of Fisheries of such support.

Mr. Nielsen moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Schroeder.

Darlene Crawford spoke regarding maintaining the existing bicycle path along the waterfront.

Sam Clayton spoke regarding federal regulations on a 300 foot wharf.

Robert Ellner, inquired as to whether any property would be condemned for acquisition for the program.

After discussion, voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

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COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Mr. Strege reviewed his comments of the previous week on proposed reforms to aid in the legislative process and said his request for an earlier agenda delivery could be resolved by receipt of request of resolution and ordinances by title only 10 days prior to the meeting that the subject is to be considered by the Council. On the subject of the Council facilities, he said he had been informed that the present Council conference room could be used and that Mr. Mork suggested that in time more facilities could be provided. Mr. Strege sought support from the Council on the subject of expanding the

student internship program to the legislative branch as a pilot program. After discussion, Mr. Strege moved that the City Manager confer with Dr. Baarsma of the University of Puget Sound and bring to Council by next Tuesday an outline of the mechanics for establishing a pilot legislative internship program. Seconded by Mr. Nelson. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mr. Strege suggested Tuesday as a better day for the Council Study Session. After discussion, Mr. Strege moved that the study session be scheduled for Tuesday afternoon. Seconded by Mr. Nelson. Voice vote was taken and carried.

Mr. Nielsen asked for more fire protection for the Hilltop Area and asked for a report on why the engine company on South 12th and Cushman was removed from the area and which stations now cover the area previously covered by that station, difference in response time, and additional costs for returning the fire company to South 12th and Cushman.

Mr. Nielsen asked the City Manager to have the traffic situation at North 30th and McCarver Streets looked into as the traffic pattern in the business district of North 30th has changed since the Schuster Parkway opened. He asked that a remedy of the situation at that intersection be found. Mr. Mork assured him the situation is being looked into.

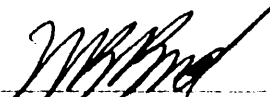
Mr. Nielsen referred to Resolution 23730, which was adopted January 27, 1976 and which is an agreement with Mason County for an in-lieu of tax agreement. He asked for an inventory of all the real estate holdings of the City which are outside of the City limits.

Mr. Benedetti, Director of Utilities, explained the statutes under which the City makes in-lieu of tax payments and how it applies to the various dan facilities the City owns. He said he would provide an inventory for Council.

On proper motion, the meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.



GORDON JOHNSTON - MAYOR



ATTEST:

H. B. BOND - CITY CLERK