



WEEKLY REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

August 20, 2015

Members of the City Council
City of Tacoma, Washington

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

ACTION REQUESTED

1. For the purpose of building community empowerment and creating safe communities through positive relationships with the Tacoma Police Department, **Project PEACE meetings** have been scheduled as follows:
 - **Thursday, September 3rd**, 5:00 p.m., Peace Community Center, 2106 South Cushman Avenue
 - **Monday, September 14th**, 5:00 p.m., Asia Pacific Cultural Center, 4851 South Tacoma Way
 - **Monday, October 5th**, 5:00 p.m., Lincoln High School Cafeteria, 701 South 37th Street
 - **Wednesday, October 21st**, University of Puget Sound Wheelock Student Center, 1500 North Warner Street
 - **Thursday, October 29th**, 5:00 p.m., Centre at Norpoint Cascade Hall, 4818 Nassau Avenue NE

ITEMS OF INTEREST

2. In response to regional drought conditions, I am providing a copy of a memorandum sent to General Government department directors related to the **need for City departments to reduce water consumption by at least 10 percent and not irrigate between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.** Recently, the cities of Tacoma, Everett and Seattle have moved to Phase 2 of their Water Shortage Response Plans and are asking customers to voluntarily reduce water usage until the rains can restore reservoir water levels.
3. City Treasurer Teresa Sedmak and Finance Director Andy Cherullo provide the attached **memorandum regarding the refunding savings and ratings upgrade for the Convention Center and Parking System.** The City refunded approximately \$25.5 million of the 2004 Convention Center and Parking System bonds on August 14th. This refunding produced a cash savings of \$2.697 million over the next ten years.
4. Attached is the **August 26, 2015 Public Utility Board meeting agenda.** Please note item U-10800, execution of an interlocal agreement between the City of Tacoma and local governments in King County to support salmon recovery in the Green River, is scheduled for your consideration on September 15th.

5. **Downtown to Defiance is back, September 13th, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** Enjoy nearly seven miles of Tacoma's beautiful waterfront roadways, free of vehicle traffic! Start anywhere and walk, run, roll, or bike as far as you like. Stop for activities like lawn croquet, a skateboard park and food trucks. Event is free and open to the public. More information available at www.DowntowntoDefiance.com.

STUDY SESSION/WORK SESSION

6. **The City Council Study Session** of Tuesday, August 25, 2015, will be held in Room 16 of the Tacoma Municipal Building North, at Noon. Discussion items will be: (1) **Innovative Grants Program**; (2) **Gun Safe T Campaign**; (3) **Other Items of Interest**; (4) **Committee Reports**; (5) **Agenda Review and City Manager's Weekly Report**; and, (6) **Executive Session – Director of Utilities Performance Review**.

At Tuesday's Study Session Program Development Specialist Carol Wolfe will present an **overview of the enhanced Innovative Grant Program funded in the 2015-2016 biennium and the outcomes of the 2015-16 application process**. The Neighborhood Small Innovative Grant program was reinstated in the 2015-2016 budget after being put on hold during the 2013-14 budget cycle. The two year break from soliciting new projects allowed staff to address a backlog of 86 projects totaling \$495,584 and to identify necessary program improvements reflecting the findings and priorities from the 2012 Neighborhood Council Program review.

Program improvements include the following elements:

- General Fund Supported at \$320,000
- 10% of total allocation set aside for maintenance.
- One application cycle with \$36,000 allocated to each Neighborhood Council for the biennium.
- Increased flexibility for project eligibility as uses are not restricted to capital improvements.
- Increased impact with 18 month project deadlines.
- Minimum and Maximum project amounts have been eliminated to better reflect total project costs.
- A simplified application with an emphasis on abutting neighborhood and community support, maintenance plans and identified life cycle costs.
- Restrictions on multiple funding allocations to one project or group.
- Program guidelines call for equitable distribution of funding within each Neighborhood Council area.

As a second item at Tuesday's Study Session, Neighborhood and Community Services Department staff will provide the City Council with an **update on the Gun Safe T Education Campaign**. According to the National Center for Injury Prevention & Control, 18 children and young adults (24 years of age and under) are killed by firearm injuries each day in the U.S. The Gun Safe T campaign was launched in June 2014 for the purpose of **building awareness and creating opportunities to bring safety education on the use, storage and surrender of firearms to Tacoma youth and the community**.

7. The updated **Tentative City Council Forecast** and **Consolidated Standing Committee Calendars** are attached for your information.

GRANT APPLICATIONS

8. The City has applied for the following grant applications:
 - **2015 Washington State Criminal Street Gang Prevention & Intervention Grant Program** – Funding for the Tacoma Gang Reduction Project to implement the Office of Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention's Comprehensive Gang Model. The project will continue to carry out the City Council's priority of reducing youth violence and gang activity by using the key findings identified in the 2011 gang assessment. The City is requesting \$16,625 with no match required.
 - **Washington Transportation Improvement Board Funds** – The South 38th Street Streetscape Project is part of the Lincoln District Revitalization Program being implemented by the City. The project will improve South 38th Street from South J Street to South Fawcett Avenue and will include new asphalt pavement, concrete sidewalks and crosswalks, street and pedestrian signals, and landscaping. The City is requesting \$2,392,262 with a City match of \$1,731,662, which is earmarked in the current biennium.

GRANT AWARDS

9. The City was awarded the following grant:
 - **2015 Pierce County Certified Local Government Historic Preservation Grant Program** – City was awarded \$5,000, with no match required, to be used for training and/or historic preservation projects in 2015.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

10. You have been invited to the following events:

- **COURAGE to End Domestic Violence**, the City's Domestic Violence Awareness Initiative, will be hosting eight discussions about healthy relationships and ending domestic violence as part of the Men's Talk Series on the **third Thursday of each month, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., starting April 16th through November 19th**, at King's Books, located at 218 St. Helen's Avenue.
- **Tacoma Branch NAACP 20th Annual Awards Banquet on Friday, August 21st, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.**, at the STAR Center, located at 3873 South 66th Street.
- **Tacoma Housing Authority's 75th Birthday Celebration on Saturday, August 22nd, 11:30 a.m.**, at the THA Administrative Building, located at 902 South L Street.
- **The Centro Latino Board of Directors and the Hilltop Business District Artist Reception on Saturday, August 22nd, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.**, at the Centro Latino, located at 1208 South 10th Street.
- **Celebrating the Life of late Washington State University President Elson S. Floyd on Wednesday, August 26th, 3:00 p.m.**, in the Beasley Coliseum on the Washington State University Pullman Campus.
- **Cross District Association Summer Social on Thursday, August 27th, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.**, at the Old Town Music Society Building, located at 2101 North 30th Street.
- **Citizens for a Healthy Bay New Executive Director, Melissa Malott, Meet and Greet on Wednesday, September 9th, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**, at the Center for Urban Waters, located at 326 East D Street.
- **Festival of Sail Launch Party on Thursday, September 10th, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.**, at the Tacoma Yacht Club, located at 5401 Yacht Club Road.
- **Light Up Tacoma on Friday, September 11th, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.**, at the Tacoma Musical Playhouse, located at 7116 Sixth Avenue.
- **Destiny Charter Middle School Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Tuesday, September 15th, 9:30 a.m.**, 1301 East. 34th Street.

- **Safe Street Champion Breakfast on Wednesday, September 16th, 7:30 – 8:30 a.m.**, at the Landmark Convention Center, located at 47 St. Helens Avenue.
- **Metropolitan Development Council Share Breakfast Community Celebration on Tuesday, September 29th, 7:30 to 9:00 a.m.**, at the hotel Murano, located at 1320 Broadway.
- **Hilltop Artists Better Futures Luncheon on Wednesday, October 7th**, at the Hotel Murano, located at 1320 Broadway. **Silent auction begins at 10:30 and lunch program begins at 11:30 a.m.**
- **"Stories You Tell" Pierce County Center for Dispute Resolution Annual Fundraising Breakfast on Thursday, October 15th, 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.**, at the STAR Center, located at 3873 South 66th Street.
- **Graduate Tacoma! Back-To-School Spotlight: "Reaching Higher" luncheon on Friday, October 30th, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.**, at the Bicentennial Pavilion in the Hotel Murano, located at 1320 Broadway.
- **Associated Ministries I AM Leading the Way Home for the homeless in our Community! Event on Thursday, November 5th, 7:30 a.m.**, Freighthouse Station, located at 2501 East D Street.

Sincerely,



Mark Lauzier
Acting City Manager

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Attachments



Let's start the conversation together.

PROJECT PEACE

Trust. Relationships. Understanding.

Engage in dialogue with the Tacoma Police Department, City Manager and community members about building community empowerment and creating safe communities through positive relationships with the Tacoma Police Department.

The events are open to the public. Light refreshments and supervised activities for children are provided.

For more information visit, **cityoftacoma.org/projectpeace** or call (253) 591-5000.

See page 2 for event details...

PROJECT
PEACE
Partnering for Equity and
Community Engagement

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SCHEDULE

4:30 – Doors open

5:00 - 5:15 – Welcome and
Opening Comments

5:15 - 8:45 – Guided
Conversations with the
Community and Tacoma
Police Department

September 3

Peace Community Center
2106 S. Cushman Ave.

September 14

Asia Pacific Cultural Center
4851 S. Tacoma Way

October 5

Lincoln High School Cafeteria
701 S. 37th St.

October 21

University of Puget Sound
Wheelock Student Center
1500 N. Warner St.

October 29

Centre at Norpoint
Cascade Hall
4818 Nassau Ave. NE

Please RSVP at

projectpeace2015.eventbrite.com

PROGRAM

INTRODUCTIONS

- Deep Listening Exercise
- Group Ground Rules
- Understanding Institutional and Structural Racism
- Smaller Group Dialogue and Sharing of Experiences About Police Interactions
- Group Brainstorming of Solutions to Strengthen Community and Police Relations
- Closing Remarks

MEET THE FACILITATORS

Dustin Washington, is affiliated with the American Friends Service Committee, People's Institute Undoing Institutional Racism Training, and he is a director of the Community Justice Program. Dustin has facilitated over 75 Undoing Racism Trainings for government officials, educators, universities, social service agencies, and incarcerated men at Monroe State Prison.

Norma Timbang, is a professor at the University of Washington Seattle, has a private practice and has done consulting work at both national and international levels. Ms. Timbang is passionate about strengthening citizen-to-citizen diplomatic relations in an effort to further economic and social justice. In addition, Ms. Timbang has done government-consulting work regarding racial reconciliation.



City of Tacoma
City Manager

Memorandum

TO: General Government Department Directors

FROM: Mark Lauzier, Acting City Manager *Mark Lauzier*

SUBJECT: **City of Tacoma Water Conservation Directive**

COPIES: T.C. Broadnax, City Manager
Bill Gaines, Director of Utilities
Linda McCrea, Tacoma Water Superintendent
Jack Wilson, Metro Parks Tacoma Executive Director

DATE: August 19, 2015

This memorandum requests City departments to reduce water consumption by at least 10 percent in response to regional drought conditions. Recently, the cities of Tacoma, Everett, and Seattle have moved to Phase 2 of their Water Shortage Response Plans and are asking customers to voluntarily reduce water usage by 10 percent until rains can restore reservoir water levels. Achieving a 10 percent reduction could prevent a mandatory ban on lawn and turf watering in the near future.

Tacoma Water recently provided an update on the regional water situation and recommended that public entities lead by example by agreeing to a voluntary 10 percent reduction in water usage and not irrigate between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. For Tacoma Water, this reduction could save between seven to eight million gallons of water per day, which will help extend the water supply into the winter months.

The City has been working closely with Tacoma Water and Metro Parks in the refinement of its Water Conservation Plan (See Response to Phase 2 attached) with jointly developed strategies to allow all entities to achieve the water conservation savings goal while encouraging citizens of Tacoma to reduce water consumption. This plan provides high level strategies that departments are asked to review and implement at the discretion of each director.

The City's Public Works Department completed the attached inventory of irrigation locations by department for the systems it maintains and will implement this plan within the next week. Public Works staff has reached out to other departments that maintain City-owned properties to provide guidelines for reducing water usage. Although staff believes the irrigation reductions will be enough for the City to achieve the conservation goals, department directors are encouraged to review the attached Water Conservation Plan for additional water saving ideas.

City staff is currently working with Metro Parks and Tacoma Water on a joint communications plan that will provide information to the general public.

Please contact Assistant Public Works Director, Jeff Jenkins, at 591-5508 for questions concerning this correspondence.

City of Tacoma
Water Conservation Plan
Phase 2 Response to Voluntary Stage

Communication Actions

Consult with Tacoma Public Utilities (TPU) to review communication to the Public. All actions from Phase 1 will remain in effect.

City Departments will provide guidelines to staff to reduce water usage. The City recommends taking the following actions:

- Do not irrigate between the hours of 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM.
- Reduce irrigation of turf and allow grass to go dormant where possible.
- Reduce plant bed irrigation to minimums required for survival.
- Continue to irrigate once a week for all plants and trees in their establishment period.
- Reduce use of pressure washers on sidewalks and plazas except as needed for public health and safety.
- Wash vehicles only as needed.

Public Message

Water conservation is very important to the City, and we have had "best management practices" in place for years. After Tacoma Water's announcement of voluntary water reductions on Tuesday, August 11, 2015, staff plan to implement several additional water-saving measures across the City to further conserve our precious resource.

Irrigation will be reduced at all parks owned and maintained by the City, all City owned properties, including but not limited to fire stations, police headquarters and substations, the Tacoma Dome, the Greater Tacoma Convention Center, Solid Waste, Sewer Treatment Plants, sewer pump stations, libraries, and landscaped rights-of-way. Staff will closely monitor landscapes to ensure plants and trees do not suffer long-term damage. Residents also can expect to see more dry grass. The grass will begin to go dormant over the next couple of weeks resulting in slower growth and a change in color from green to gold. The grass will turn green again once the fall/winter rains start.

Public Works Maintained Irrigation Locations

| Facility Description | Department | Maintenance Category | Address | Recommended Conservation Strategy |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--|
| Chinese Reconciliation Park | CEDD | Park | Ruston Way | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Solid Waste Facility | Environmental Services | Turf Vegetation | 3510 South Mullen | The lawn area on the right side of the customer entrance road and other big lawn area on the right side of the exit road will be turned off. Everything up the middle we continue to be irrigating, including the EnviroHouse, Recycling Center and HHW plant areas. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Treatment Plant #1 | Environmental Services | Turf Vegetation | 2122 Portland Ave | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Treatment Plant #3 | Environmental Services | Turf Vegetation | Ruston Way | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Grandview Pump | Environmental Services | Turf Vegetation | 1902 Grandview West | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Lincoln Avenue Pump Station | Environmental Services | Turf Vegetation | 1300 Lincoln Ave | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Pt Defiance Senior Center | NCS | Turf Vegetation | 4716 N Baltimore | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Pantages Theater | PAF | Turf Vegetation | S 9th & Broadway | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |

Public Works Maintained Irrigation Locations

| Facility Description | Department | Maintenance Category | Address | Recommended Conservation Strategy |
|--------------------------|--------------|----------------------|-------------------|---|
| 17th & Jefferson | Public Works | City Park | 17th & Jefferson | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| South 15th & Dock | Public Works | City Park | South 15th & Dock | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Frost Park | Public Works | City Park | S 9th & Pacific | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Harborview Park | Public Works | City Park | 929 Fawcett | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| McCormick Park | Public Works | ROW | 930 Fawcett | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Fireman's Park – 8th & A | Public Works | ROW | S 8th & A | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Norton Memorial Park | Public Works | ROW | S 1st & Tacoma | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Gateway Park | Public Works | ROW | N 30th & Starr | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| War Memorial Park | Public Works | Park | 629 Jackson | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |

Public Works Maintained Irrigation Locations

| Facility Description | Department | Maintenance Category | Address | Recommended Conservation Strategy |
|----------------------|--------------|----------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Tollefson Plaza | Public Works | ROW, Park | S 17th & Pacific Ave | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Ledger Park | Public Works | Park | 715 St. Helens | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| South 23rd & Grant | Public Works | Park | South 23rd & Grant | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Waterwalk | Public Works | Park | Pt Ruston | Reduce turf irrigation by 50%/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Pearl Street Islands | Public Works | ROW | Pearl; 6th Av - North 42nd | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| 11th & Broadway | Public Works | Turf Vegetation | 11th & Broadway | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Station # 16 | TFD | Turf Vegetation | 7217 6th Ave | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| EOC | TFD | Turf Vegetation | 415 Tacoma Ave | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Fire Station #5 | TFD | Turf Vegetation | Ruston Way | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |

Public Works Maintained Irrigation Locations

| Facility Description | Department | Maintenance Category | Address | Recommended Conservation Strategy |
|------------------------------------|------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| Fire Station #8 | TFD | Turf Vegetation | 4911 South Alaska | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Fire Training Center | TFD | Turf Vegetation | 2126 Marshall | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Police Pistol Range -McMurray Road | TPD | Turf Vegetation | 101 McMurray RD NE | For personnel safety and fire deterrence reduce turf irrigation by 50%/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Police Substation: McKinley | TPD | Turf Vegetation | 3420 McKinley Ave | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Police Substation 16th & MLK | TPD | Turf Vegetation | 1518 Martin Luther King Jr Way | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Police Substation Wapato | TPD | Turf Vegetation | 1501 South 72nd | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Police Substation Norpoint | TPD | Turf Vegetation | 4731 Norpoint Way | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |
| Police Substation Stewart Heights | TPD | Turf Vegetation | 400 East 56th | Eliminate turf irrigation/irrigate beds once a week between the hours of midnight and dawn. Monitor shrubs and trees for distress and address accordingly |



TO: T.C. Broadnax, City Manager
FROM: Teresa Sedmak, City Treasurer, Andy Cherullo, Finance Director
SUBJECT: Refunding Savings and Ratings Upgrade - Convention Center and Parking System
DATE: August 18, 2015

SUMMARY:

On August 14, 2015, the City successfully refunded approximately \$25.5 million of the 2004 Convention Center and Parking Revenue Bonds.

This refunding produced a cash savings of \$2.697 million (or \$2.414 million on a present value basis) over the next ten years. See the table below for savings by year.

| Date | Prior Debt Service | Refunding Debt Service | Savings | Present Value Savings |
|---------------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 12/1/2015 | \$ 2,133,481 | \$ 2,046,657 | \$ 86,825 | \$ 86,229 |
| 12/1/2016 | \$ 2,630,713 | \$ 2,342,215 | \$ 288,498 | \$ 282,802 |
| 12/1/2017 | \$ 2,620,963 | \$ 2,332,712 | \$ 288,251 | \$ 275,869 |
| 12/1/2018 | \$ 2,612,463 | \$ 2,322,394 | \$ 290,069 | \$ 271,002 |
| 12/1/2019 | \$ 2,599,963 | \$ 2,311,260 | \$ 288,703 | \$ 263,315 |
| 12/1/2020 | \$ 2,593,463 | \$ 2,304,310 | \$ 289,153 | \$ 257,426 |
| 12/1/2021 | \$ 2,587,463 | \$ 2,296,429 | \$ 291,034 | \$ 252,889 |
| 12/1/2022 | \$ 2,586,713 | \$ 2,297,615 | \$ 289,098 | \$ 245,182 |
| 12/1/2023 | \$ 2,575,163 | \$ 2,282,637 | \$ 292,526 | \$ 242,076 |
| 12/1/2024 | \$ 2,568,100 | \$ 2,276,843 | \$ 291,258 | \$ 235,174 |
| Totals | \$ 25,508,481 | \$ 22,813,069 | \$ 2,695,412 | \$ 2,411,964 |

Additionally, Standard & Poor's Ratings Services ("S&P") revised the outlook to positive from stable and affirmed its "A" long-term and underlying rating on Tacoma's Convention Center and Parking Revenue Refunding Bonds.

As stated in S&P's report, the ratings action reflected the following positive credit factors:

- The diverse pledge of repayment revenues, including sales and use taxes and net revenues of the parking system;
- The parking system's healthy unrestricted cash position; and
- The strong additional bonds test and rate covenant

In addition to its revised outlook and ratings affirmation, S&P's report stated that the rating could be raised within the next two years provided the City maintains or improves liquidity and maintains or improves debt service coverage from its net parking revenues.



**City of Tacoma
Public Utility Board Meeting
August 26, 2015; 6:30 p.m.
Tacoma Public Utilities Auditorium
(3628 South 35th Street)**

Call to Order

Roll Call

- A. Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings**
- B. Comments by the Public**
- C. Consent Agenda**
- D. Regular Agenda**

Departmental

D-1 Resolution U-10799 – Award contracts and approve purchases:

1. Award contract to RWC International LTD for the purchase of seven new International model 7600 cab chassis (\$803,677.91, plus sales tax);
2. Award contract to John Deere Construction Retail Sales for the purchase of six backhoes (\$731,024.08, plus sales tax);
3. Award contract to Versalift Northwest LLC for the purchase of seven aerial devices (\$1,429,953, plus sales tax);
4. Award contract to Evolve, Inc., for the purchase of equipment for electronic security and related applications (\$683,050, plus sales tax, plus the option for three additional one-year renewal periods);
5. Award three year contract to The Okonite Company for the purchase of medium voltage ethylene propylene rubber insulated cable on an as-needed basis (\$4,866,597 plus the option for two additional one year renewal periods for a cumulative total of \$8,208,975, plus sales tax);
6. Increase and extend contract to Bentley Systems for software maintenance, support, and consulting services (\$92,294.50, plus sales tax. Cumulative total \$803,902.30, plus sales tax);
7. Increase contract to Open Access Technology International for continued monthly access to electronic tag service and web-exchange service assistance in meeting reliability and business practice standards defined by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (\$172,310, sales tax not applicable. Cumulative total \$369,430, sales tax not applicable);
8. Award contract to Crescent Mechanical, Inc., for the upgrade of an HVAC system at the Tacoma Rail building (\$207,441, plus sales tax).

Tacoma Water

D-2 Resolution U-10800 – Authorize execution of an interlocal agreement between the City of Tacoma and local governments in King County to support salmon recovery in the Green River. (To City Council: September 15, 2015)

D-3 Resolution U-10801 – Authorize execution of a temporary wholesale water purchase agreement with Lakehaven Utility District.

H. Reports of the Director

H-1 July 2015 cash projections for Power, Water, Rail

H-2 July 2015 financials for Power, Water, Rail, Fleet, Self-Insurance Fund

H-3 Second quarter budget performance report



The City of Tacoma does not discriminate on the basis of disability in any of its programs, activities, or services. To request this information in an alternative format or to request a reasonable accommodation, please contact the TPU Director's Office at 253-502-8201. TTY or speech to speech users please dial 711 to connect to Washington Relay services.

**City of Tacoma 2015-2016
City Council Forecast**

| Date | Meeting | Subject | Department |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|------------|
| August 25, 2015 | Study Session | Innovative Grants Program | CEO |
| | | Gun Safe T Education Campaign | NCS |
| | | Executive Session-Director of Utilities Performance Review | HR |
| | City Council Meeting | | |
| September 1, 2015 | Jt. Utility Board Study Session | Click! | TPU |
| | Council Regular Study Session | | |
| | City Council Meeting | | |
| September 8, 2015 | CANCELLED | | |
| September 15, 2015 | Study Session | Tacoma-Pierce County Solid Waste Plan Update | ESD-SWM |
| | City Council Meeting | | |
| September 22, 2015 | Study Session | WSDOT Update on Amtrak Station | PDS/WSDOT |
| | | Live-Work & Work-Live Regulations | PDS |
| | City Council Meeting | | |
| September 29, 2015 | Study Session | | |
| | City Council Meeting | | |
| October 6, 2015 | Joint Utility Board Study Session | | |
| | City Council Meeting | | |
| October 13, 2015 | Study Session | | |
| | City Council Meeting | | |
| October 20, 2015 | Study Session | | |
| | City Council Meeting | | |
| October 27, 2015 | Study Session | 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update | PDS |
| | City Council Meeting | | |
| November 3, 2015 | Study Session | | |
| | City Council Meeting | | |
| November 10, 2015 | Study Session | | |
| | City Council Meeting | | |
| November 17, 2015 | Study Session | Billboard Regulations | PDS |
| | City Council Meeting | | |
| November 24, 2015 | Study Session | | |
| | City Council Meeting | | |
| December 1, 2015 | Study Session | | |
| | City Council Meeting | | |
| December 8, 2015 | Study Session | | |
| | City Council Meeting | | |
| December 15, 2015 | Study Session | | |
| | City Council Meeting | | |
| December 22, 2015 | CANCELLED | | |
| December 29, 2015 | CANCELLED | | |

Council Committee Report

(Subject to Change)

Economic Development Committee

Committee Members: Campbell (Chair), Boe, Walker, Mello, Alternate -Thoms
Executive Liaison: Andy Cherullo; Staff Support - Brad Forbes

2nd, 4th, and 5th Tuesdays
10:00 a.m.
Room 248

CBC Assignments:

- Tacoma Arts Commission
- Greater Tacoma Regional Convention Center
- Public Facilities District

- Foss Waterway Development Authority
- City Events and Recognition Committee

August 25, 2015 Neighborhood Business District activity update

Shari Hart, Program Development Specialist, Community and Economic Development; Kevin Grossman, President, Cross District Association

Semi-Annual Status Report on LEAP & SBE Programs

Peter Guzman, LEAP Program Manager, Community and Economic Development; Charles Wilson, SBE Coordinator, Community and Economic Development

Future:

September 8, 2015 Q2 Dashboard Presentation

Debbie Bingham, Program Development Specialist, Community and John Wolfe, CEO, Port of Tacoma

September 22, 2015 Port of Tacoma & Seattle Alliance - What does it mean for Tacoma

Government Performance and Finance Committee

Committee Members: Lonergan (Chair), Campbell, Thoms, Strickland, Alternate-Ibsen
Executive Liaison: Andy Cherullo; Staff Support - India Adams

1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesdays
4:30 p.m.
Room 248

CBC Assignments:

- Public Utility Board
- Board of Ethics

- Audit Advisory
- Civil Service Board

September 2, 2015 Tacoma Information Management System (TIMS)
 Equity and Empowerment Policies

Jack Kelanic, Information Technology Director
LaMont Green, Office of Equity and Human Rights

Future:

September 16, 2015 July Monthly Financial Report
 Yakima County Jail Agreement
 Fiscal Home Rule
 Emergency Radio Services Fees

Susan Ramirez, Assistant Finance Director and Controller
Mark Lauzier, Assistant City Manager
Randy Lewis, Office of Government Relations
Jack Kelanic, Information Technology Director

September 30, 2015 Cancelled (Tentative)

Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee

Committee Members: Mello (Chair), Boe, Walker, Ibsen, Alternate-Campbell
Executive Liaison: Mark Lauzier; Staff Support - Anita Gallagher

2nd and 4th Wednesdays
4:30 p.m.
Room 16

CBC Assignments:

- Sustainable Tacoma Commission
- Planning Commission

- Board of Building Appeals
- Transportation Commission

August 26, 2015 Cancelled

Future:

September 9, 2015 Interlocal Agreement on Green River Salmon Recovery
September 23, 2015 Pedestrian Crossing Improvements Summary

Greg Volkhardt, Operations Manager, Tacoma Water
Mark D'Andrea, Engineer, Public Works

Live/Work Code Final Review

Brian Boudet, Division Manager, and Sue Coffman, Building Official,

Council Committee Report

(Subject to Change)

| Neighborhoods and Housing Committee | |
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| Committee Members: Walker (Chair), Boe, Ibsen, Lonergan, Alternate-Woodards | 1st and 3rd Mondays |
| Executive Liaison: Mark Lauzier; Staff Support - Monica Ghosh | 4:30 p.m. |
| | Room 248 |
| CBC Assignments: | • Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority |
| September 7, 2015 LABOR DAY HOLIDAY | |
| Future: | |
| September 21, 2015 Short Term Rentals | <i>Planning and Development Services; Tax and License</i> |
| Narrowmoor Conservation District | <i>Planning and Development Services</i> |
| Community Based Services Update | <i>Allyson Griffith, Neighborhood and Community Services</i> |
| October 5, 2015 Multifamily Property Tax Exemption Program Summary and Data | <i>Debbie Bingham, Community and Economic Development</i> |
| Affordable Housing Work Program | <i>Community and Economic Development</i> |
| Affordable Housing Discussion | <i>Planning and Development Services</i> |
| Public Safety, Human Services, and Education Committee | |
| Committee Members: Woodards (Chair), Campbell, Lonergan, Strickland, Alternate-Mello | 2nd and 4th Thursdays |
| Executive Liaison: Nadia Chandler-Hardy; Staff Support - Genesis Gavino | 4:30 p.m. |
| | Room 248 |
| CBC Assignments: | • Citizen Review Panel |
| | • Human Services Commission |
| | • Human Rights Commission |
| August 27, 2015 Tacoma Municipal Court Specialized Services | <i>Judge Verhey, Tacoma Municipal Court</i> |
| TMC 8.66 - AirSoft Ordinance | <i>Keith Echterling, City Attorney's Office</i> |
| Future: | |
| September 10, 2015 Capacity Building for Organizations | <i>Diane Powers, Office of Equity and Human Rights; Pamela Duncan, Neighborhood and Community Services</i> |
| September 24, 2015 Citizen Review Panel Interviews | <i>Doris Sorum, City Clerk's Office</i> |