



City of Tacoma

City Council Agenda

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402

Council Chambers

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Dial: 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 848 3423 3126

February 24, 2026

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

FLAG SALUTE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [26-0136](#) Minutes of the Operational Strategy and Administrative Committee, January 23, 2026.
Attachments: [OSACMin20260123](#)
2. [26-0137](#) Minutes of the Operational Strategy and Administrative Committee special meeting, January 29, 2026.
Attachments: [OSACMin20260129SpMtg](#)
3. [26-0093](#) Minutes of the Planning Commission, March 19, 2025.
Attachments: [PCMin20250319](#)
4. [26-0094](#) Minutes of the Planning Commission, April 2, 2025.
Attachments: [PCMin20250402](#)
5. [26-0095](#) Minutes of the Planning Commission, April 16, 2025.
Attachments: [PCMin20250416](#)
6. [26-0134](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, January 28, 2026.
Attachments: [PUBSSMin20260128](#)

7. [26-0135](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, January 28, 2026.

Attachments: [PUBMin20260128](#)

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

CONSENT AGENDA

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

8. [ORD29090](#) An ordinance vacating a seven-foot-wide strip of North 44th Street, between Waterview Street and the alley, to cure an existing building encroachment and facilitate future development.

(Michael and Shelly Reed; File No. 124.1465)

[Jeff H. Capell, Hearing Examiner]

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 29090](#)

[City Council Action Memorandum](#)

[Hearing Examiner's Report and Recommendation](#)

[Exhibits](#)

[Audio Recording of Public Hearing](#)

COMMUNICATIONS

9. [26-0150](#) A letter from the City Council to the Pierce County Council supporting Pierce County's proposed ordinance implementing a one-tenth of one percent sales and use tax for criminal justice purposes.

Attachments: [Draft Letter](#)

PAYMENTS

10. [26-0138](#) Date Range - 01/26/2026 to 02/08/2026
Payroll in the amount of \$25,447,180.26; Payments in the amount of \$35,278,680.96; for a total of \$60,725,861.22.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

11. [26-0048](#) Proclaiming Tuesday, February 24, 2026, as Day of Solidarity with the People of Ukraine.
12. [26-0145](#) Proclaiming February 27-March 8, 2026, as Tacoma Beer Week.

PUBLIC COMMENT

This is the time set aside for public comment on motions, resolutions, and first and final reading of ordinances. Speakers are asked to identify the specific legislation they wish to address. Comments will not be accepted on ordinances forwarded to the City Council by the Hearing Examiner for which a public hearing has already been held. On tonight's agenda that includes Ordinance No. 29090. To comment virtually, use the Zoom link or phone number listed at the top of the agenda and press the Raise Hand button near the bottom of your Zoom window or *9 on your phone; if speaking in person, please sign in at the back of the Council Chambers. Your name or the last four digits of your phone number will be called out when it is your turn to speak.

Written comments may be submitted to cityclerk@tacoma.gov at least 24 hours prior to the Tuesday evening City Council meeting for the Public Comment period. Comments will be compiled and sent to the City Council and posted online.

REGULAR AGENDA

13. [26-0115](#) A motion may be considered to confirm the appointment of Toni Esparza as Neighborhood and Community Services Director, effective March 23, 2026.

APPOINTMENTS

14. [RES41855](#) A resolution appointing and reappointing individuals to the Human Rights Commission. [Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

Attachments: [Resolution No. 41855](#)

[City Council Action Memorandum](#)

15. [RES41856](#) A resolution appointing individuals to the Human Services Commission. [Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

Attachments: [Resolution No. 41856](#)

[City Council Action Memorandum](#)

RESOLUTIONS

16. [RES41857](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement with the Teamsters Local Union No. 117, General Unit, regarding a new classification entitled Hydro Park Aide.
[Dylan Carlson, Labor Relations Division Manager; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]
Attachments: [Resolution No. 41857](#)
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)
[Fiscal Impact Memorandum](#)
[Agreement](#)
17. [RES41858](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Clerical Unit, regarding a new classification of Retirement Specialist, Senior.
[Dylan Carlson, Labor Relations Division Manager; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]
Attachments: [Resolution No. 41858](#)
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)
[Fiscal Impact Memorandum](#)
[Agreement](#)
18. [RES41859](#) A resolution authorizing the one-time use of Council Contingency Funds, in the amount of \$30,000, for the Oasis Youth Center’s staff guided HIV and STI self-testing for LGBTQ+ youth in Pierce County.
[Council Member Rumbaugh]
Attachments: [Resolution No. 41859](#)
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)
[City Council Consideration Request](#)

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

19. [ORD29084](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 12.08B of the Municipal Code, relating to Use of Sanitary Sewer, by adding a new Section 12.08B.225, entitled “System Development Charges”, and repealing Section 12.08B.230, entitled “Connection Charge-in-Lieu-of-Assessment”, to establish wastewater system development charges, effective July 1, 2026.
[Hayley Falk, Business Services Manager; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director, Environmental Services]
Attachments: [Ordinance No. 29084](#)
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)
[Presentation](#)
20. [ORD29085](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 12.08D of the Municipal Code, relating to Stormwater Management, by adding a new Section 12.08D.280, entitled “System Development Charges”, to establish stormwater system development charges, effective July 1, 2026.
[Hayley Falk, Business Services Manager; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director, Environmental Services]
Attachments: [Ordinance No. 29085](#)
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)
[Presentation](#)
21. [ORD29091](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 12.10 of the Municipal Code, relating to Water - Regulations and Rates, by amending Section 12.10.310, entitled “System development charge”, for charge adjustments and annual increases, effective February 1, 2026.
[Andrew Zaremba, Principal Data Analyst; Keri Burchard-Juarez, Water Superintendent]
Attachments: [Ordinance No. 29091](#)
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)
[Board Action Memorandum](#)
[Presentation](#)

22. [ORD29092](#) An ordinance amending Subtitle 6A of the Municipal Code, relating to the Tax Code, to update utility tax rates from 7.5 percent to 6 percent by amending various sections effective March 1, 2026; and by amending Section 6A.90.040 effective July 1, 2026.
[Danielle Larson, Tax and License Division Manager; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]
Attachments: [Ordinance No. 29092](#)
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

23. [ORD29093](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation for employees represented by the Teamsters Local Union No. 117, General Unit and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Clerical Unit.
[Kari Louie, Assistant Director; Linnaea Jablonski, Director, Human Resources]
Attachments: [Ordinance No. 29093](#)
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)
[Fiscal Impact Memorandums](#)
[Ordinance Disclosure Memorandum](#)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

COMMUNITY FORUM

The purpose of Community Forum is to assist the City Council in making policy decisions. Items of discussion will be limited to matters over which the City Council has jurisdiction. Arguments shall not be made in support of, or opposition to, any matter on this week's agenda. Each person may address the City Council one time only during this forum.

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REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Government Performance and Finance Committee

ADJOURNMENT

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