



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

June 18, 2019

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Council Member Ibsen.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [19-0617](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, May 14, 2019.
2. [19-0607](#) Minutes of the Greater Tacoma Regional Convention Center Public Facilities District Board, January 31, 2019.
3. [19-0608](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Arts Commission, May 13, 2019.

CONSENT AGENDA

There were no Consent Agenda items.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. [19-0618](#) Proclaiming Wednesday, June 19, 2019 as Smoke Ready Communities Day.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed Wednesday, June 19, 2019 as Smoke Ready Communities Day and presented the proclamation to Dr. Anthony Chen, Executive Director, Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department.

5. [19-0626](#) Recognizing Nagaoka International Corporation and CEO Yasuhisa Umezu.

Deputy Mayor McCarthy recognized Nagaoka International Corporation and Yasuhisa Umezu, Chief Executive Officer, and presented the recognition to Mr. Jim Waldo, Chair, Urban Waters Board for University of Washington Tacoma, and Mr. Umezu.

6. [19-0627](#) Recognizing the Tacoma Police Explorer Post.

Mayor Woodards recognized the Tacoma Police Explorer Post and presented the recognition to Explorer Abdulghani Nagi-Mosa and Officers Kelly Custis and John Hill.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:26 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Albert Godwin, resident, speaking on Resolution Nos. 40350 and 40351.
2. Abby Rawson, resident, speaking on Resolution No. 40353.
3. Alton McDonald, New Century Justice Network, speaking on Resolution No. 40350 and Ordinance No 28591.

Public Comment ended at 5:34 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

APPOINTMENTS

7. [RES40347](#) A resolution appointing Suzanna Smith to the Sustainable Tacoma Commission. [Doris Sorum, City Clerk; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40347.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

8. [RES40348](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Apply-A-Line LLC, in the amount of \$491,906.17, plus applicable taxes, plus a 10 percent contingency, for a total of \$541,096.79, budgeted from the Street Fund, for repainting of existing roadway and bike lane striping throughout the City - Specification No. PW19-0158F.
[Darius Thompson, Project Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40348.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

9. [RES40349](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Transportation Systems Inc., in the amount of \$771,945.00, plus applicable taxes, plus a 15 percent contingency, for a total of \$887,736.75, budgeted from the Transportation Capital Fund, for intersection safety improvements at various locations along Pacific Avenue - Specification No. PW18-0460F.
[Basel Kitmitto, P.E., Project Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40349.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

RESOLUTIONS

10. [RES40350](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing Eight-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Merit Building Partners LLC, for the development of 126 multi-family market-rate rental housing units, located at 951-959 Market Street, in the Downtown Regional Growth Center.
[Debbie Bingham, Project Manager; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40350.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Ayes: 8 - Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Beale

11. [RES40351](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing Eight-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with West Mall Smart 1's LLC, for the development of 12 multi-family market-rate rental housing units, located at 4524 South Junett Street, in the Tacoma Mall Mixed-Use Center.
[Debbie Bingham, Project Manager; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40351.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Ayes: 7 - Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 2 - Beale and Thoms

12. [RES40352](#) A resolution changing the regular meetings for the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee to the first and third Wednesdays of each month, at 4:30 p.m., and changing the location to 747 Market Street, Room 248, effective July 1, 2019.
[Deputy Mayor McCarthy and Council Members Beale, Ibsen, and Mello]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40352.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Thoms

13. [RES40353](#) A resolution expressing support of the right to bodily autonomy and a person's right to access the full spectrum of reproductive health care services, including the right to access abortion, regardless of gender identity and expression, documentation status, income, or age.
[Mayor Woodards and Council Members Ibsen, Thoms, and Ushka]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40353.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Thoms

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

14. [ORD28589](#) 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 Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, and for the nonrepresented classifications of Municipal Court Judge, Court Commissioner, and Data Architecture Manager.
[Kari L. Louie, Senior Compensation and Benefits Manager;
Gary Buchanan, Director, Human Resources]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28589.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 2 - Ibsen and Thoms

15. [ORD28590](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 2.02 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Building Code, to incorporate new provisions that allow frequently approved alternates to be used for all projects, and to provide clarification and consistency for a related requirement in Chapter 1.29, effective July 1, 2019, to coincide with the State of Washington's adoption of changes to state building codes.
[Terry Forslund, Senior Principal Engineer; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28590.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 2 - Ibsen and Thoms

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

- 16. [ORD28591](#) An ordinance adopting the Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program amended for the years 2019 and 2020-2025.
[Jennifer Kammerzell, Principal Engineer; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28591 was set over for final reading next week.

- 17. [ORD28592](#) An ordinance amending Title 13 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Land Use Regulatory Code, by amending various sections in Chapter 13.06, and adding a new Section 13.06.585 entitled “Joint Base Lewis McChord (JBLM) Airport Overlay Compatibility Overlay District,” to establish a JBLM Airport Compatibility Overlay District.
[Larry Harala, Senior Planner; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28592 was set over for final reading next week.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

There was no report.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Government Performance and Finance Committee

There was no report.

* * * * *

Council Member Mello reported that a neighborhood cleanup event for the Tacoma Dome, First Creek, Dome District, and Salishan neighborhood groups will take place on Saturday, June 22, 2019, at the Tacoma Dome, Parking Lot G, located at 2727 East “D” Street, at 9:00 a.m.

Council Member Hunter provided information on the increased number of graduate students at University of Washington Tacoma and congratulated all graduates on their accomplishments.

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk