

City of Tacoma City Council Study Session Minutes

733 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402 Conference Room 16 July 22, 2014 12:00 PM

Call to Order

Deputy Mayor Woodards called the study session to order at 12:08 p.m.

Present: 6 - Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Mello, Walker and Woodards

Absent: 3 - Ibsen, Thoms and Mayor Strickland

Briefing Items

1. 14-0637 Construction Projects Update

Deputy Mayor Woodards announced the first study session topic is an update on construction projects. Chris Larson, Public Works, reviewed the status of 2013 projects, updates to the 2014 projects, and a project map. Geoffrey Smyth, Environmental Services, provided updates on the flood protection project at the Central Wastewater Treatment Plant, the Wastewater Sewer Replacement at the vicinity of North 38th and Monroe Streets, the bioretention project at 615 South Sprague Avenue, the Puget Sound Avenue Sewer and Franklin Trunk Line replacements, and phase 2 of the Cheney Sustainable Stormwater Project.

Mr. Larson reviewed street capital projects grant funding and reviewed six grant projects, including Mildred Street, Milwaukee Way, the Tacoma Avenue Bridge, pedestrian crossing improvements, citywide safety, and the Mobility Master Plan Top Four Bikeways. He then reviewed 2015 proposed projects and the timeline for the Transportation Improvement Program. Discussion ensued regarding how residential overlay projects are determined, the timing for pedestrian crossing improvements, signage that shows funding information and what to expect from the project, the difference between street capital projects and street operations projects, and the Puyallup River Bridge project. Council Member Mello requested staff continue to educate the public regarding why decisions are made about specific projects.

Other Items of Interest

2. 14-0651 Proposed Amendments to Ordinance No. 28229

Council Member Walker stated she will be bringing forward two amendments to the Comprehensive Plan, noting she met with Council Member Mello and Point Ruston and worked on mutually agreeable language. She then provided copies of the proposed amendments and stated discussion is welcome after this meeting.

Agenda Review and City Manager's Weekly Report

City Manager T.C. Broadnax stated there are no proclamations, recognitions, presentations, or announcements on tonight's agenda. He noted there will be a full and final settlement of all claims against the City by Hokold Development, LLC, and there may be changes to Resolution No. 38963 regarding appointing individuals to committees that will prepare statements "For" and "Against" proposed amendments to the Tacoma City Charter. He concluded by stating there may be changes to Ordinance No. 28229 regarding proposed 2014 Annual Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Regulatory Code.

3. 14-0636 Weekly Report to the City Council, July 17, 2014

Deputy Mayor Woodards acknowledged Kyle Heller, who is attending today's meeting for a project for the Boy Scouts.

Adjournment

On proper motion the study session was adjourned at 12:44 p.m.	
Victoria Woodards, Deputy Mayor	-
Doris Sorum, City Clerk	-