



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

January 28, 2020

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Beale, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Walker and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 2 - Blocker and Ushka

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Council Member Thoms.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [20-0063](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee and Audit Advisory Board joint meeting, December 17, 2019.
2. [20-0047](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee special meeting, December 18, 2019.
3. [20-0033](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Arts Commission, December 9, 2019.
4. [20-0031](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Public Library Board of Trustees, November 20, 2019.
5. [20-0062](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Public Library Board of Trustees, December 18, 2019.
6. [20-0055](#) Disclosure of Remote Interest pursuant to Tacoma City Charter Section 6.6 and Municipal Code Section 1.46.030 A and B as follows:
Name Council Member Robert Thoms
Affiliation Crystal Judson Family Justice Center, Board Member

CONSENT AGENDA

7. [20-0035](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, January 7, 2020.
8. [20-0043](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, January 7, 2020.
9. [20-0064](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, January 14, 2020.

RESOLUTIONS

10. [RES40538](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Agreement with the Washington State Department of Transportation, in the amount of \$631,322, and accepting and depositing said sum into the Transportation Capital Fund, for the construction of new curb ramps along South 56th Street and Tacoma Mall Boulevard at the I-5 Interchange.
[Jonathan Kulju, Project Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

11. [ORD28653](#) An ordinance reclassifying the property located at 4501 6th Avenue, from an R-3 Two-Family Dwelling District to an R-4-L Low Density Multiple-Family Dwelling District, for the construction of four 4-plexes.
(4501 6th Avenue, LLC; File No. LU19-0163)
[Jeff H. Capell, Hearing Examiner]
12. [ORD28654](#) An ordinance vacating a remnant portion of East 51st Street unopened, unimproved right-of-way, to facilitate access within a new residential subdivision.
(Northwest Vintage Homes, LLC; File No. 124.1402)
[Jeff H. Capell, Hearing Examiner]

MOTION: Council Member McCarthy moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 40538 and first reading of Ordinance Nos. 28653 and 28654.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

MOTION: Council Member McCarthy moved to accept the Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner for Ordinance Nos. 28653 and 28654.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

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

Ayes: 7 - Beale, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Walker and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 2 - Blocker and Ushka

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 40538 and setting Ordinance Nos. 28653 and 28654 over to a date to be determined. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.

Ayes: 7 - Beale, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Walker and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 2 - Blocker and Ushka

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:04 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Sean Arent, resident, speaking on Resolution No. 40541.

Public Comment ended at 5:07 p.m.

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MOTION: Council Member Hunter moved to convene to an Executive Session in Room 148, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(I)(i), to discuss potential litigation, not to exceed 10 minutes.

SECONDED BY: Council Member McCarthy.

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

Ayes: 7 - Beale, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Walker and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 2 - Blocker and Ushka

The Council convened to Executive Session at 5:08 p.m.
City Attorney Bill Fosbre was present.

The Executive Session was extended by 10 minutes at 5:18 p.m.

The Executive Session concluded, and the City Council meeting reconvened at 5:23 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

13. [20-0068](#)

A motion may be considered to amend the previously approved settlement in the matter of Joseph Lochridge v. City of Tacoma, et al., U.S. District Court Cause No. 3:14-cv-05053-RJB, by increasing the settlement amount by an additional \$3,459.00 to correct a miscalculation related to complying with the terms of the settlement.

MOTION: Council Member McCarthy moved to amend the previously approved settlement in the matter of Joseph Lochridge v. City of Tacoma, et al., U.S. District Court Cause No.

3:14-cv-05053-RJB, by increasing the settlement amount by an additional \$3,459.00 to correct a miscalculation related to complying with the terms of the settlement.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Walker and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 3 - Blocker, Hines and Ushka

PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

14. [RES40539](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Northeast Electric LLC, in the amount of \$507,090, plus applicable taxes, plus a 10 percent contingency, for a cumulative total of \$557,799, budgeted from the Transportation Capital Fund, for intersection safety improvements along South Tacoma Way between South “M” Street and East “G” Street - Specification No. PW19-0371F.
[Mazedur Hossain, P.E., Project Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

MOTION: Council Member McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40539.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Walker and Mayor Woodards
Absent: 3 - Blocker, Hines and Ushka

RESOLUTIONS

15. [RES40540](#) A resolution approving multiple minor municipal boundary line adjustments between the cities of Tacoma and Fife, associated with the parcel located at 5205 8th Street East and the right-of-way boundaries of 12th Street East and 8th Street East.
[Lihuang Wung, Senior Planner; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

MOTION: Council Member McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40540.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

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

Ayes: 7 - Beale, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Walker and Mayor Woodards
Absent: 2 - Blocker and Ushka

16. [RES40541](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing Eight-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Oakes Landing LLC, for the development of 44 multi-family market-rate rental housing units, located at 2702 and 2708 North 8th Street, in the Sixth Avenue Mixed-Use Center.
[Debbie Bingham, Project Manager; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

MOTION: Council Member McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40541.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

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

Ayes: 7 - Beale, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Walker and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 2 - Blocker and Ushka

17. [RES40542](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing 12-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with NMWC-1402, LLC, for the development of six multi-family market-rate and affordable rental housing units, located at 641 North Pine Street, in the Sixth Avenue Mixed-Use Center.
[Debbie Bingham, Project Manager; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

MOTION: Council Member McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40542.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 2 - Blocker and Ushka

Recused: 1 - Walker

18. [RES40543](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing 12-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with MacKinnon Design and Development Corp., for the development of four multi-family market-rate and affordable rental housing units, located at 1009 South 14th Street, in the Downtown Regional Growth Center.
[Debbie Bingham, Project Manager; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

MOTION: Council Member McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40543.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

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

Ayes: 7 - Beale, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Walker and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 2 - Blocker and Ushka

19. [RES40544](#) A resolution expressing support of the National League of Cities' Leading Together 2020 Cities Agenda.
[Mayor Woodards]

MOTION: Council Member McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40544.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

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

Ayes: 7 - Beale, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Walker and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 2 - Blocker and Ushka

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

There was no report.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Economic Development Committee

Council Member Thoms, Chair of the Economic Development Committee, reported the Economic Development Committee has not met since his last report to the City Council and the next Committee meeting will be held on February 11, 2020 at 10:00 a.m., in the Tacoma Municipal Building in Conference Room 248.

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MOTION: Council Member McCarthy moved to excuse Deputy Mayor Blocker and Council Member Ushka from the meeting.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

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

Ayes: 7 - Beale, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Walker and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 2 - Blocker and Ushka

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk