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City of Tacoma

City Council Voting Record*

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402

Council Chambers

Webinar Link: www.zoom.us/j/84834233126 Passcode: 349099

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

April 14, 2026

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER – 5:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL – Present: 9

**Council Member Diaz initially participated virtually, and arrived in person at 5:18 p.m.
Council Member Walker participated virtually.**

FLAG SALUTE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- 1. 26-0269** Minutes of the Operational Strategy and Administrative Committee, February 27, 2026.
- 2. 26-0253** Minutes of the Planning Commission, May 7, 2025.
- 3. 26-0254** Minutes of the Planning Commission, May 21, 2025.
- 4. 26-0240** Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, March 11, 2026.
- 5. 26-0241** Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, March 11, 2026.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

CONSENT AGENDA

- 6. 26-0276** Minutes of the City Council study sessions, February 4, 2025, to May 20, 2025.
- 7. 26-0288** Minutes of the City Council meetings, February 4, 2025, to March 25, 2025; and special meeting, January 31, 2025.
- 8. 26-0286** Minutes of the Committee of the Whole special meetings, January 10, 2025, and January 24, 2025.

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PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

9. **RES41882** A resolution awarding a contract to Fehr and Peers, in the amount of \$1,323,930, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the Transportation Capital Fund, for the Tacoma Interstate 5 Crossing Study - Specification No. PW25-0151F.
10. **RES41883** A resolution authorizing an increase to the contract with Marten Law LLP, in the amount of \$500,000, budgeted from the Wastewater Fund, for an amendment to the Legal Services Agreement in matters related to the Puget Sound Nutrient General Permit, for a projected contract total of \$1,000,000, plus applicable taxes - Contract No. C3720.

RESOLUTIONS

11. **RES41884** A resolution acknowledging receipt of a Notice of Intention to Commence Annexation Proceedings received from the Heiberg family, for ten parcels of land located adjacent to the City in the Fife Heights Potential Annexation Area; and setting Tuesday, April 28, 2026, no earlier than 5:15 p.m., as the date for a public meeting by the City Council on said annexation.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

12. **ORD29095** An ordinance vacating the air rights over East 30th Street approximately 400 feet easterly from the intersection of East Portland Avenue and East 30th Street, to build a pedestrian connection between the Emerald Queen Casino and a planned parking garage.
(Puyallup Tribe of Indians; File No. 124.1463)

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

13. **ORD29102** An ordinance vacating a portion of the alley between East "M" Street and East "N" Street, and a portion of East "N" Street, both between Puyallup Avenue and East 25th Street, for expanded business use and to help alleviate public safety concerns.
(M & A Investments Three, LLC, M & A Investments Five, LLC, CCW Investments, LLC, and ITR Properties, LLC; File No. 124.1454)

PAYMENTS

14. **26-0268** Date Range - 03/09/2026 to 03/22/2026
Payroll in the amount of \$24,407,936.67; Payments in the amount of \$31,746,577.34; for a total of \$56,154,514.01.

MOTION: Bushnell
SECOND: Hines

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SECOND: Hines

To accept the Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner for Ordinance No. 29102.

Ayes: 9 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstaining: 0

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The Consent Agenda was adopted.

Ayes: 9 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstaining: 0 Items Removed: 0

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

16. **26-0261** Proclaiming April 12-18, 2026, as Cambodian Genocide Remembrance Week.
15. **26-0263** Proclaiming April 13-17, 2026, as Black Wellness Week.
17. **26-0262** Proclaiming April 2026 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

PUBLIC COMMENT

REGULAR AGENDA

APPOINTMENTS

18. **RES41885** A resolution appointing an individual to the Human Services Commission.

MOTION: Bushnell

SECOND: Hines

Adopted.

Ayes: 9 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstaining: 0

19. **RES41886** A resolution appointing an individual to the Urban Design Board.

MOTION: Bushnell

SECOND: Hines

Adopted.

Ayes: 9 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstaining: 0

PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

20. **RES41887** A resolution awarding a contract to Dobbs Peterbilt LLC, in the amount of \$4,337,480.56, plus a 10 percent contingency, budgeted from the Solid Waste Fund, for seven compressed natural gas automated side-loader refuse trucks to collect solid waste, recycling, and yard waste from residents, for a projected contract total of \$4,771,228.62, plus applicable taxes - Sourcewell Contract Nos. 032824-PMC and 110223-LEG.

MOTION: Bushnell

SECOND: Hines

Adopted.

Ayes: 9 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstaining: 0

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21. RES41888 A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Teamsters Local Union No. 117, Tacoma Venues and Events Unit, retroactive to January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2028.

MOTION: Bushnell

SECOND: Hines

Adopted.

Ayes: 9 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstaining: 0

22. RES41889 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 Safety Specialist.

MOTION: Bushnell

SECOND: Hines

Adopted.

Ayes: 9 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstaining: 0

23. RES41890 A resolution transmitting a ballot measure to the Pierce County Auditor to be placed on the ballot for the Primary Election on Tuesday, August 4, 2026, which reads:

CITY OF TACOMA
PROPOSITION 1
FUNDING TRANSPORTATION SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

The Tacoma City Council adopted Connect Tacoma: Safe Streets and Sidewalks Resolution No. 41890 concerning increases in utility and property taxes for street improvements.

This measure funds safe streets, school routes, pothole repairs, paving, sidewalks, traffic safety, and neighborhood connections, by levying an additional 1.5% utility tax on natural gas, electric, phone utilities for 10 years beginning 2027; increasing the regular property tax levy for 10 years by \$0.20/\$1,000 to a maximum rate of \$1.78/\$1,000 assessed value for 2027 collections; using the 2027 levy amount to calculate subsequent levies through 2036 (RCW 84.55). Qualifying seniors and others are exempt (RCW 84.36.381).

Should this proposition be approved?

Approved..... []

Rejected..... []

MOTION: Bushnell

SECOND: Hines

Adopted.

Ayes: 9 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstaining: 0

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24. **RES41891** A resolution affirming that site reclamation should aim to activate and restore public spaces for community use to the best extent possible; and directing the City Manager to review past site reclamation efforts that utilized boulders to provide cost estimates for removal, site restoration, and boulder storage, as well as options for expanding general funding for future site reclamation without boulders.

MOTION: Bushnell

SECOND: Palmer

Adopted.

Ayes: 9 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstaining: 0

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

25. **ORD29100** 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 International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Court Clerks Unit.

Passed.

Ayes: 9 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstaining: 0

26. **ORD29101** An ordinance amending various sections of Titles 1, 2, and 3 of the Municipal Code, relating to Administration and Personnel, Building and Development Code, and Fire, to place appeals to building and fire codes under the authority of the Hearing Examiner, and to eliminate the Board of Building Appeals, effective April 28, 2026.

Passed.

Ayes: 9 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstaining: 0

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

27. **ORD29103** 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 International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Clerical Unit and the Teamsters Local Union No. 117, Tacoma Venues and Events Unit.

Set over for final reading next week.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

COMMUNITY FORUM

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

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COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee

ADJOURNMENT – 7:39 p.m.