



# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402, Council Chambers  
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**February 20, 2024**

**5:00 PM**

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## CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Hines called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** 7 - Bushnell, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Ushka and Walker

**Absent:** 2 - Daniels and Mayor Woodards

Mayor Woodards arrived at 5:01 p.m. Council Member Daniels arrived at 5:03 p.m.

Council Member Ushka and Mayor Woodards participated virtually.

## FLAG SALUTE

Council Member Walker stated that we gratefully honor and acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language.

The flag salute was led by Council Member Walker.

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Mayor Woodards arrived here, at 5:01 p.m.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [24-0166](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, May 24, 2023.
2. [24-0168](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, June 14, 2023.
3. [24-0148](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board, January 10, 2024.

**AGENDA MODIFICATIONS**

There were no modifications to the agenda.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- 4.     [24-0167](#)     Minutes of the City Council study session, June 20, 2023.

**PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS**

- 5.     [RES41366](#)     A resolution awarding a contract to Cummins Inc., in the amount of \$506,769.00, plus applicable taxes, plus a 10 percent contingency, for a cumulative total of \$557,445.90, budgeted from the Solid Waste Fund, for a standby generator, switchgear and automatic transfer switch to be used in the event of a power failure to operate the solid waste compactors in the Solid Waste Main Receiving Building - Contract CW2257282.  
[Jody Bratton, P.E., Senior Engineering Project Manager;  
Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 41366.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 41366. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Ushka, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Daniels

**PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 6.     [24-0171](#)     Recognizing Lunar New Year.

Deputy Mayor Hines recognized Lunar New Year and presented the recognition to Patsy Surh O'Connell, President and Founder, Asia Pacific Cultural Center; Vaelupe Talamoni, from the Samoa Community Alliance of Pierce County; and Joel Larimer, Founder, Guma'Imahe.

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Council Member Daniels arrived here, at 5:03 p.m.

7. [24-0157](#) Recognizing Dedrick Crocklem.

Deputy Mayor Hines recognized Dedrick Crocklem, and presented the recognition to Crocklem.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment began at 5:18 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received no written comment for public comment.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Michele Reich, speaking on Resolution No. 41367.

Public comment ended at 5:21 p.m.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS**

8. [RES41367](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Garland/DBS, Inc., in the amount of \$1,908,882.00, plus applicable taxes, plus a 20 percent contingency, for a cumulative total of \$2,290,658.40, budgeted from the Wastewater Fund, for the replacement of various roofs located at the Central Treatment Plant - Contract No. CW2263499/C3158.

[Max Drathman, P.E., Senior Engineering Project Manager;  
Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41367.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Ushka, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS**

9. [24-0114](#) This is the date set for a public hearing by the City Council on the consideration for extending an existing moratorium on certain uses within the South Tacoma Groundwater Protection District as recommended by the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee.  
[Maryam Moeinian, Senior Planner; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

The public hearing began at 5:23 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received six written comments for the public hearing.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Haze Leviathan.
2. Kit Burns.
3. Gemini.
4. Andrea Reay.
5. Michele Reich.
6. Theresa Evans.
7. Jami C.
8. Jun.
9. Heidi Stephens.
10. Stacy Oaks.
11. Lester Pogue, Jr.
12. Helen.

The public hearing ended at 5:51 p.m.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

## **REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Elizabeth Pauli reported on recent arrests made by the Tacoma Police Department patrol and investigation teams.

## **COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Economic Development Committee

Council Member Daniels, Chair of the Economic Development Committee, reported at the January 30, 2024, meeting the Committee received a report on the City's economic development strategy. She concluded by stating the

next meeting will be held in a hybrid format on February 27, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., and will include presentations on the Sister City Council and the Downtown Tacoma Partnership; and the March 12, 2024, meeting has been cancelled.

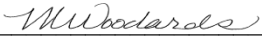
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Council Member Diaz expressed appreciation for staff regarding outreach for tonight's public hearing.

Council Member Scott stated the Charter Review Committee is hosting a public comment meeting on Monday, February 26, 2024, at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, and invited the community to participate.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

  
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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

  
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Nicole Emery, City Clerk