



# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402, Council Chambers

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**February 07, 2023**

**5:00 PM**

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## CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** 9 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Ushka, Walker and Mayor Woodards

Council Member Diaz participated virtually.

## FLAG SALUTE

Council Member Blocker 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 Blocker.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

In honor of Bo Schiemer, Firefighter, Tacoma Fire Department.

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [23-0103](#) Minutes of the Community's Police Advisory Committee, November 14, 2022.
2. [23-0099](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, December 14, 2022.
3. [23-0101](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, January 11, 2023.
4. [23-0100](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, December 14, 2022.

## AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

Mayor Woodards stated a motion will be considered to substitute Ordinance No. 28799.

## CONSENT AGENDA

### FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

5. [ORD28863](#) An ordinance vacating two portions of East “N” Street on opposite sides in the same block, lying north of East 25th Street, to facilitate expanded and future use of the property.  
(M & A Investments Three, LLC; File No. 124.1427)  
[Jeff H. Capell, Hearing Examiner]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Walker moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including final reading of Ordinance No. 28863.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Ushka.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including final reading of Ordinance No. 28863. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

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

### PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

6. [23-0105](#) Proclaiming February 2023 as Black History Month.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed February 2023 as Black History Month and presented the proclamation to Carol Mitchell, Founder, Institute for Black Justice; Marcel Cunningham, Founder and CFO, Team Wrk; and ChiQuata Elder, Senior Equity Programs Specialist, Office of Equity and Human Rights.

### 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. Les Pogue Jr., speaking on the Black History Month proclamation.
2. Kathy Lawhon, speaking on the Black History Month proclamation.

Public Comment ended at 5:25 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

### PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

7. [RES41135](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Stryker Sales, LLC, in the amount of \$6,793,754, plus applicable taxes, plus a 10 percent contingency, for a cumulative total of \$7,473,129.40, budgeted from the Emergency Medical Services Fund, for the lease and maintenance of emergency medical equipment, for a contract period of ten years - Specification No. PSAI RFB 2021-06.  
[Teresa Green, Fire Department Manager; Toryono Green, Fire Chief]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41135.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Ushka.**

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

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

### RESOLUTIONS

8. [RES41136](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Custodial and Building Maintenance Unit, consisting of 26 budgeted full-time equivalent positions, retroactive to January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2025.  
[Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41136.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Ushka.**

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

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

9. [RES41137](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with Tacoma, Washington, City and Pierce County Employees Local Number 120 of the Washington State Council of County and City Employees, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, consisting of 178 budgeted full-time equivalent positions, retroactive to January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2025.  
[Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41137.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Ushka.**

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

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

## FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

10. [ORD28799](#) (Continued from the meeting of December 14, 2021) An ordinance amending, renaming, and renumbering Chapter 9.16 of the Municipal Code, relating to Streets and Sidewalks - Keeping Clean, by adding two new sections, to prevent obstruction and damage to sidewalks from the loading, unloading, and transport of goods; and amending the penalty provision to align with Tacoma's Uniform Enforcement Code.  
[Council Member Ushka]

**MOTION: Council Member Ushka moved as a substitute, Substitute Ordinance No. 28799.**

**SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Walker.**

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

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

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Substitute Ordinance No. 28799. The Substitute Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

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

## FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

11. [ORD28870](#) 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, Custodial and Building Maintenance Unit, and the Tacoma, Washington, City and Pierce County Employees Local Number 120 of the Washington State Council of County and City Employees, AFSCME, AFL-CIO.  
[Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28870 was set over for final reading next week.**

12. [ORD28871](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay for the nonrepresented classification of Municipal Court Judge - Pro Tem.  
[Kari L. Louie, Assistant Director; Shelby Fritz, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28871 was set over for final reading next week.**

## PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS

13. [23-0038](#) This is the date set for a public hearing by the City Council on the consideration for enacting a moratorium on certain uses within the South Tacoma Groundwater Protection District, as recommended by the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee.  
[Stephen Atkinson, Principal Planner; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

The public hearing began at 5:36 p.m.

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

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Barbara Church, resident.
2. Janeen Provazek, resident.
3. Michelle Mood, resident.
4. Heidi Stephens, resident.
5. Neal, resident.
6. Esther Day, resident.

7. Les Pogue Jr., resident.
8. Tim Smith, resident.
9. April Smith, resident.
10. Oneida Arnold, resident.
11. Kathy Lawhon, resident.
12. Stacy Oaks, resident.
13. Marilyn Kimmerling, resident.
14. Eric Musica, resident.

The public hearing ended at 6:08 p.m.

## **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 Blocker, Chair of the Economic Development Committee, reported at the January 10, 2023, meeting, the Committee received a presentation on Tacoma Creates' annual report; on January 24, 2023, the Committee held elections for Committee Chair and Vice Chair and received presentations on the Readiness Acceleration and Innovation Network Incubator and the William Factory Small Business Incubator; and on January 31, 2023, the Committee received a presentation on Greater Seattle Partners. He concluded by stating the next meeting will be held in a hybrid format on February 14, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., and will include presentations on the Port of Tacoma and the maritime academy.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:11 p.m.



Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor



Doris Sorum, City Clerk