



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

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

Webinar Link: www.zoom.us/j/89027150863

September 22, 2020

6:00 PM

VIRTUAL FORUM

Virtual Forum will begin at 6:00 p.m., or in the event the regular meeting of the City Council adjourns after 6:00 p.m., promptly following such adjournment.

The purpose of the Virtual Forum is to give community members an additional opportunity to share their thoughts and views to assist the Council in making policy decisions; therefore, items of discussion shall be limited to matters over which the City Council has jurisdiction. No action shall be taken by the City Council during the Virtual Forum.

Attendance for this Forum is available by phone by dialing 253-215-8782 or through Zoom at www.zoom.us/j/89027150863 and entering the meeting ID 890 2715 0863, when prompted. To sign up to speak during Community Member Comments, press the Raise Hand button near the bottom of your Zoom window or *9 on your phone. Your name or the last four digits of your phone number will be called out when it is your turn to speak. All speakers will have up to 90 seconds to speak. Where necessary, due to the number of persons who want to address the Council, the presiding officer shall retain authority to limit all persons' remarks to an equal period of less than 90 seconds.

CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Blocker called the Virtual Forum to order at 6:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Beale, Blocker, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Ushka and Walker

Absent: 2 - Thoms and Mayor Woodards

Council Member Thoms arrived at 6:11 p.m.

All Council Members participated virtually.

COMMUNITY MEMBER COMMENTS

Community Member Comments began at 6:11 p.m.

Council Member Thoms arrived here, at 6:11 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received 65 written comments for Community Member Comments, regarding the proposed 6th Avenue and Orchard Street micro-shelter site, Tideflats Interim Regulations, and Resolution No. 40647, regarding the Residential Infill Pilot Program.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Kit Burns, regarding the Advanced Metering Infrastructure Project.
2. Maris Zivarts, regarding recall rights for hotel employees.
3. Stephen Reeves, regarding Hotel Murano and recall rights for hotel employees.
4. Sarah Reeves, regarding Hotel Murano.
5. Jamie Fiano, regarding the Tideflats Interim Regulations.
6. Marquis King Mason, regarding the passing of former Mayor Harold Moss, the Tideflats Interim Regulations, and the SeaPort Sound Terminal.
7. Charla, regarding the proposed 6th Avenue and Orchard Street micro-shelter site.
8. Joe Brooks, regarding Hotel Murano and recall rights for hotel employees.
9. Sarah Kirk, regarding Hotel Murano and recall rights for hotel employees.
10. Liam McNamara, regarding the proposed 6th Avenue and Orchard Street micro-shelter site.
11. Mayra Rosales, regarding Hotel Murano and recall rights for hotel employees.
12. Josef Barlow-Farrar, regarding the passing of former Mayor Harold Moss, the proposed 6th Avenue and Orchard Street micro-shelter site, Manuel Ellis, the SeaPort Sound Terminal, the

- Tideflats Interim Regulations, public comment formats, homelessness, and net-zero carbon.
13. Christine Page, regarding Hotel Murano.
 14. Carrie Woods, regarding the proposed 6th Avenue and Orchard Street micro-shelter site.
 15. Barb Shivers, regarding public comment formats, the proposed 6th Avenue and Orchard Street micro-shelter site, and the passing of former Mayor Harold Moss.
 16. Keshreeyaji Oswal, regarding the proposed 6th Avenue and Orchard Street micro-shelter site.
 17. Michael Step, regarding the proposed 6th Avenue and Orchard Street micro-shelter site.
 18. Gene Goodner, regarding the proposed 6th Avenue and Orchard Street micro-shelter site.
 19. Kat B., regarding the proposed 6th Avenue and Orchard Street micro-shelter site and climate emergency.
 20. Courtney Stoker, regarding the proposed 6th Avenue and Orchard Street micro-shelter site and Manuel Ellis.
 21. Alexa, regarding the proposed 6th Avenue and Orchard Street micro-shelter site, the City budget, and the Tacoma Police Department.
 22. Val Rios, regarding the proposed 6th Avenue and Orchard Street micro-shelter site.
 23. Louisa Erickson, regarding the proposed 6th Avenue and Orchard Street micro-shelter site.
 24. Rhonda Ainslee, regarding Hotel Murano.
 25. Resident, regarding Hotel Murano.
 26. Vee Tran, regarding Hotel Murano.

Community Member Comments ended at 6:53 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Blocker and Council Member Hines stated the 6th Avenue and Orchard Street micro-shelter site Town Hall is Wednesday, October 7, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., and that comments can be submitted early to shelters@cityoftacoma.org.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

Council Member Thoms thanked speakers for attending and providing comments, and expressed appreciation for his colleagues' supporting and providing additional public comment. He addressed concerns expressed regarding notifications, and stated that he and the Council will work to ensure notifications are sent in a timely fashion and in a wide enough area, so community members are able to understand what is being shared and how to make their voices be heard. He further stated the goal of the micro-shelter site is to provide stability for those that live on the streets, to place the shelters in areas that are appropriate, and to work with public and private

partners to make sure to put in enough infrastructure to support the need.

Council Member Hunter thanked speakers for attending and providing comments, and stated that information on the community outreach for the Tideflats Subarea Plan can be found at cityoftacoma.org/tideflatsplan.

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the Virtual Forum was adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk