



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

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July 20, 2021

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hines, Hunter, Thoms, Ushka, Walker and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

All Council Members participated virtually.

FLAG SALUTE

Council Member Ushka 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 Ushka.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

In honor of those who have lost their lives to or have been impacted by COVID-19 and systemic racism.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [21-0657](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, February 9, 2021.
2. [21-0684](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, February 24, 2021.
3. [21-0683](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, March 10, 2021.
4. [21-0705](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, March 24, 2021.
5. [21-0685](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, April 14, 2021.

CONSENT AGENDA

6. [21-0689](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, May 4, 2021.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Blocker moved to adopt the Consent Agenda.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hines, Hunter, Thoms, Ushka, Walker and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no proclamations, recognitions, presentations, or announcements.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:06 p.m.

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

No individuals addressed the City Council.

Public Comment ended at 5:06 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS

7. [RES40812](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement for the extension of all current terms and conditions of the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Tacoma Joint Labor Committee, including health and welfare benefits for employees for one year, effective January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.
[Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Kari Louie, Interim Human Resources Director; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Blocker moved to adopt Resolution No. 40812.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

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

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hines, Hunter, Thoms, Ushka, Walker and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

8. [ORD28771](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation for the non-represented Fire Department CARES Program employees.
[Kari L. Louie, Interim Human Resources Director; Senior Compensation and Benefits Manager]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28771.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hines, Hunter, Thoms, Ushka, Walker and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

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 June 22, 2021, meeting, was cancelled; at the June 29, 2021, meeting, the Committee received presentations on the Old City Hall project and on the new Washington State Tax Increment Financing law; and at the July 13, 2021, meeting, the Committee heard presentations on workforce recovery efforts in Pierce County and small business assistance. He concluded by stating the next meeting will be held on July 27, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., through Zoom, and will include presentations on outdoor dining and the American Rescue Plan Act funding.

Government Performance and Finance Committee

Council Member Hines, Chair of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, reported at today's meeting, the Committee conducted interviews for the Human Resources Director position, and received presentations on Tacoma Public Utilities' Power Note Purchase Agreement, the Manitou Potential Annexation Area, and the monthly budget update. He concluded by stating the next meeting will be held on August 3, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., through Zoom, and will include presentation on Washington State House Bill 1091, public notification processes, and the American Rescue Plan Act funding.

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Mayor Woodards stated that COVID-19 is still here; Tacoma is over 50 percent vaccinated; she provided statistics on those who were not vaccinated and were diagnosed with, hospitalized for, or passed away from COVID-19; and encouraged everyone to get the vaccination.

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

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

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

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hines, Hunter, Thoms, Ushka, Walker and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk