



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

February 05, 2019

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Beale

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Council Member Ushka.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [19-0094](#) Minutes of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, January 10, 2019.
2. [19-0100](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, January 8, 2019.
3. [19-0090](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, January 9, 2019.
4. [19-0096](#) Disclosure of Remote Interest pursuant to Tacoma City Charter Section 6.6 and Municipal Code Section 1.46.030 A and B as follows:
Name Council Member Robert Thoms
Affiliation Crystal Judson Family Justice Center, Board Member

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS

5. [RES40224](#) A resolution setting Thursday, March 21, 2019, at 1:30 p.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on the request to vacate a portion of East “K” Street and alley, lying between East 25th and East 26th Streets, west of East “L” Street, for potential future business expansion.
(Neptune Capital, LLC, Lentz Properties, LLC, and AA Wright, LLC;
File No. 124.1393)
[Ronda Cornforth, Senior Real Estate Specialist; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E.,
Director, Public Works]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 40224.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 40224. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.

Ayes: 8 - Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Beale

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

6. [19-0095](#) Proclaiming the week of February 11 through February 17, 2019 as Toastmasters International Week.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed the week of February 11 through February 17, 2019 as Toastmasters International Week and presented the proclamation to Ms. Mary Morrison, member of the Toastmasters International Board of Directors.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:07 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Horacio Perez-Morales, Eastside, speaking on Resolution No. 40225.
2. Alton McDonald, New Century Justice Network, speaking on Resolution No. 40225.

Public Comment ended at 5:15 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

7. [RES40225](#) A resolution authorizing an increase to the contract with Northwest Cascade Inc., by an amount not to exceed \$280,000, excluding applicable taxes, for a new total of \$1,095,615, budgeted from the Street Initiative and Wastewater Funds, for the Wastewater Sewer Replacement Project in the vicinity of Chandler and Center Streets - Specification No. ES18-0206F.
[Kristy Beardemphl, Project Manager; Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40225.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 8 - Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Beale

RESOLUTIONS

8. [RES40226](#) A resolution designating the SAP Analytics and Business Reporting Project as a Special Project of Limited Duration, and designating general salary classifications and benefits for the person employed on the project, through December 31, 2020.
[Grace Brosnon, Business Solutions Functional Manager; Daniel Key, Director, Information Technology]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40226.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 8 - Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Beale

9. [RES40227](#) A resolution requiring any penalties the City receives pursuant to Chapter 1.95 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Rental Housing Code, be used only, for the first three years the Code is in effect, for providing tenant relocation assistance as authorized in the Code, and after such time, the use of the funds may be reviewed by the City Council.
[Linda Stewart, Director, Neighborhood and Community Services]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40227.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 8 - Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Beale

10. [RES40228](#) This is the first reading of a resolution amending the *Rules of Procedure of the Council of the City of Tacoma* by adding a new rule, Rule 16, entitled “Filling Council Vacancies and Approved Extended Leave of Absence,” to establish a standard process for filling open City Council positions.

[Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40228.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

ACTION: Resolution No. 40228 was set over for second reading next week per Rule 8.C of the Rules of Procedure of the Council of the City of Tacoma.

11. [RES40229](#) This is the first reading of a resolution amending the *Rules of Procedure of the Council of the City of Tacoma* by adding a new rule, Rule 17, entitled “City Council Department Director Confirmation Process Guidelines,” to establish a standard process for City Council confirmation of Department Director appointments.

[Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40229.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

ACTION: Resolution No. 40229 was set over for second reading next week per Rule 8.C of the Rules of Procedure of the Council of the City of Tacoma.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

12. [ORD28570](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.06 of the Municipal Code, relating to Administration, to simplify and streamline the approval process for cancellation of uncollectable amounts due to the City.

[Jenni Barrett, Tax and License Operations Manager; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28570.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 8 - Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Beale

- 13. [ORD28571](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to correct the pay rates for the Public Disclosure Analyst and Specialist classifications, represented by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Clerical Unit; and add a new nonrepresented, appointive classification of Data Architecture Manager.
[Kari Louie, Senior Compensation and Benefits Manager; Gary Buchanan, Director, Human Resources]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28571.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 8 - Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Beale

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 at the January 29, 2019 meeting, the Committee received presentations on development of the Economic Development Strategic Plan and Namatad. He concluded by reporting the next meeting will be on February 12, 2019, and will include a presentation on strategic development and alignment of workforce development in Pierce County.

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Mayor Woodards thanked the Street Operations crew for all of their hard work to keep us safe and our roads clear during the inclement weather.

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

SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.

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

Ayes: 8 - Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Beale

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk