



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

Tacoma Public Utilities - Auditorium
3628 South 35th Street, Ground Floor, Tacoma, WA 98409
Dial: 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 848 3423 3126
Webinar Link: www.zoom.us/j/84834233126 Passcode: 349099
June 18, 2024
5:00 PM

Change of Location

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Bushnell, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Daniels

Council Member Daniels arrived at 5:05 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Hines participated virtually.

FLAG SALUTE

Council Member Scott 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 Scott.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [24-0646](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board, May 16, 2024.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no modifications to the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

2. [RES41450](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Consor North America, Inc., in the amount of \$1,000,000, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the Transportation Capital Fund, to design an interconnected intelligent transportation system network across the Tacoma Tideflats and Port of Tacoma area - Specification No. PW23-0175F.
[Charla Kinlow, PMP, Project Manager; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director, Public Works]

3. [RES41451](#) A resolution authorizing an increase and extending the contract with Carollo Engineers, Inc., in the amount of \$445,001, plus applicable taxes, for a cumulative total of \$1,286,934, budgeted from the Wastewater Fund, for additional engineering design and construction support for the South Tacoma Pump Station Phase 2 Rehabilitation Project, through December 31, 2025 - Architectural and Engineering Roster Contract No. CW2248653.
[Lance Bunch, P.E., Principal Civil Engineer; Michael P. Slevin III, Director, Environmental Services]

RESOLUTIONS

4. [RES41452](#) A resolution setting Tuesday, July 2, 2024, upon completion of Regular Agenda Items, no earlier than 5:15 p.m., as the date for a public hearing by the City Council on the proposed amendments to the City Charter.
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

PAYMENTS

5. [24-0649](#) Date Range - 05/20/2024 to 06/02/2024
Payroll in the amount of \$22,241,144.96; Payments in the amount of \$31,029,457.65; for a total of \$53,270,602.61.

MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 41450 through 41452.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 41450 through 41452. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.

Ayes: 7 - Bushnell, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Daniels

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

8. [24-0526](#) Presentation of the Vision 2050 Award.

Josh Brown, Executive Director, Puget Sound Regional Council, presented the Vision 2050 Award to the City for the Tacoma Green Economic Development Strategy as an outstanding example of the Planning Ahead category.

Council Member Daniels arrived here, at 5:05 p.m.

7. [24-0571](#) Proclaiming Thursday, June 20, 2024, as World Refugee Day.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed Thursday, June 20, 2024, as World Refugee Day and presented the proclamation to Maricres Valdez-Castro, Vice Chair, and Iuliia Didkivska, Commissioner, Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs.

6. [24-0570](#) Proclaiming Wednesday, June 19, 2024, as Juneteenth.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed Wednesday, June 19, 2024, as Juneteenth and presented the proclamation to Amanda Scott Thomas, Community Aunties; C. Ivan Johnson, Commissioner, Human Rights Commission; Jade Little, Pierce County's Miss Juneteenth 2023; and Miss Juneteenth Pageant 2024 contestants.

9. [24-0648](#) Recognizing City Directors.

Mayor Woodards recognized outgoing City Directors and called Tim Allen, Director, Retirement; Tory Green, Fire Chief; Kurtis Kingslover, Deputy City Manager; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development; and Mike Slevin, Director, Environmental Services, to accept the recognition.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment began at 6:10 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received two written comments for public comment on Resolution No. 41454, regarding the property tax levy for the Tacoma Fire Department.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Sally Perkins, speaking on the Recognition of City Directors.
2. Esther Day, speaking on Resolution No. 41454.

Public comment ended at 6:14 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

10. [24-0619](#) A motion may be made to authorize the full and final settlement of Claim No. W-094-23 against the City, related to damage to property located at 5009 96th Avenue West in University Place, caused by a leaking Tacoma Water side service water line, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$33,872.04 and execution of a release in a form approved by the City Attorney.

MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to authorize the full and final settlement of Claim No. W-094-23 against the City, related to damage to property located at 5009 96th Avenue West in University Place, caused by a leaking Tacoma Water side service water line, upon payment of the City in the amount of \$33,872.04 and execution of a release in the form approved by the City Attorney.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.

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

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

11. [24-0620](#) A motion may be made to authorize full and final settlement of all claims against the City of Tacoma in Miriam Barnett v. City of Tacoma, et al., Pierce County Superior Court Cause No. 23-2-08456-5, in the amount of \$35,000 related to a sidewalk trip and fall incident occurring on November 24, 2021, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$35,000 and execution of a release in a form approved by the City Attorney.

MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to authorize full and final settlement of all claims against the City of Tacoma in Miriam Barnett v. City of Tacoma, et al., Pierce County Superior Court Cause No. 23-2-08456-5, in the amount of \$35,000 related to a sidewalk trip and fall incident occurring on November 24, 2021, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$35,000 and execution of a release in a form approved by the City Attorney.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.

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

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

APPOINTMENTS

12. [RES41453](#) A resolution appointing and reappointing individuals to the Planning Commission. [Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41453.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.

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

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

RESOLUTIONS

- 13. [RES41454](#) A resolution transmitting a ballot measure to the Pierce County Auditor to be placed on the ballot for the General Election on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, which reads:

CITY OF TACOMA
 PROPOSITION NO. 1
 PROPERTY TAX LEVY INCREASE, LEVY LID LIFT

The City of Tacoma adopted Resolution No. 41454 concerning lifting the property tax levy for the Tacoma Fire Department (TFD).

This measure enhances TFD facilities, fleet, and staffing to improve response capacity and firefighter safety by increasing the regular property tax levy by \$0.65/\$1,000 to a maximum rate of \$2.52/\$1,000 of assessed value for collection in 2025; authorizing an annual increase up to 6% for 2026-2030 for the additional rate; authorizing the 2030 levy amount as the basis to calculate future levies (RCW 84.55). Qualifying seniors, veterans and others would be exempt (RCW 84.36.381).

Should this proposition be:

Approved..... []

Rejected..... []

[Teresa Green, Senior Business Services Manager; Toryono Green, Fire Chief]

MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41454.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.

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

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

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

- 14. [ORD28971](#) An ordinance adopting the Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program amended for the years 2024 and 2025-2030. [Jennifer Kammerzell, Assistant Division Manager; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director, Public Works]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28971 was set for final reading next week.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Elizabeth Pauli reported that Environmental Services and Washington State Department of Transportation will collaborate on June 24-26, 2024, and July 2-3, 2024, to clean up areas of State Routes 509 and 705, Schuster Parkway, and Ruston Way in preparation for the 2024 Summer Blast event.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee

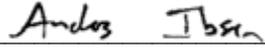
Council Member Walker, Chair of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, reported the May 8, 2024, meeting was cancelled; the May 22, 2024, meeting included interviews for the Planning Commission and a presentation on Resolution No. 41385 for enhancing deconstruction and salvage efforts. She concluded by stating the Committee's next meeting will be held in hybrid format on June 26, 2024, and will include a presentation on an updated timeline for the Streets Initiative 2 potential ballot measure.

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Deputy Mayor Hines made final comments thanking Environmental Services staff members Collin Beach and Eric Pizzollo for rescuing eight ducklings trapped in a storm drain; and acknowledging Father's Day on Sunday, June 16, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:33 p.m.



for Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor



Nicole Emery, City Clerk