



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

April 15, 2014

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Strickland called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

FLAG SALUTE

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member Lonergan.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. **14-0295** Convention Center and Parking Revenue Bonds Coverage Compliance.
2. **14-0297** Minutes of the Neighborhoods and Housing Committee, March 17, 2014.
3. **14-0293** Minutes of the Tacoma Arts Commission, March 10, 2014.
4. **14-0294** Minutes of the Tacoma Arts Commission, March 15, 2014.
5. **14-0289** Minutes of the Tacoma Planning Commission, March 19, 2014.

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS

6. **RES38881** A resolution setting Tuesday, April 29, 2014, at approximately 5:30 p.m., as the date for a public hearing by the City Council on the Draft Hilltop Subarea Plan and proposed amendments to Chapters 13.06 and 13.17 of the Municipal Code, relating to Zoning and Mixed-Use Center Development.
[Brian Boudet, Planning Manager; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

7. **RES38882** A resolution authorizing the execution of a grant agreement with the Washington State Department of Ecology in the amount of \$277,722; accepting and depositing said sum into the Surface Water Fund, to perform laboratory testing and field testing of stormwater treatment media at Wapato Lake located in South Tacoma.
[Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Division Manager, Science & Engineering; Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

8. **RES38883** A resolution authorizing the execution of a grant agreement with the Washington State Department of Ecology, in the amount of \$170,000; accepting and depositing said sum into the Surface Water Fund, to assist with the implementation of the City's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit.
[Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Division Manager, Science & Engineering; Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

9. **RES38884** A resolution authorizing the execution of a grant agreement with the Washington State Department of Ecology, in the amount of \$3,000,000; accepting and depositing said sum into the Surface Water Fund, for the Gravel Pit Regional Detention Project in the South Tacoma Flett Watershed.
[Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Division Manager, Science & Engineering; Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 38881 through 38884.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Boe.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 38881 through 38884 was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment began at 5:06 p.m.

Speaking before Council:

1. Denny Faker, 915 North Sheridan Drive, speaking on Ordinance No. 28216.
2. Elizabeth Burris, New Tacoma Neighborhood Council, speaking on Ordinance No. 28216.

Public comment ended at 5:12 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

- 10. 14-0299** Motion to authorize the City Manager to negotiate a Development Agreement with Yareton Investment & Management WA LLC of Seattle, WA for development of a hotel and mixed use project on an approximate two-acre City-owned site at 17th Street and Broadway adjoining the Greater Tacoma Convention & Trade Center.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to authorize the City Manager to negotiate a Development Agreement with Yareton Investment & Management WA LLC of Seattle, WA for development of a hotel and mixed use project on an approximate two acre City owned site at 17th Street and Broadway adjoining the Greater Tacoma Convention & Trade Center.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Boe.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

11. **RES38885** A resolution awarding a contract to Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc., for an initial contract term of two years, in the amount of \$212,721.77, sales tax not applicable, budgeted from the Transportation Capital Fund, to provide traffic engineering services during design and construction of the South Tacoma Way Corridor Multimodal Improvements Project - Specification No. PW13-0048F. [Said Seddiki, P.E., Engineering Project Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt Resolution No. 38885.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried, with Council Member Boe recusing himself. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Ayes: 8 - Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

Recused: 1 - Boe

RESOLUTIONS

12. **RES38886** A resolution authorizing the use of up to \$10,000, budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund, to support an installation of artwork at the University of Puget Sound honoring Dr. Gordon Klatt. [Mayor Strickland]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt Resolution No. 38886.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.

ACTION: Roll call vote was requested and taken. The Resolution was declared adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

13. **ORD28215** 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 Teamsters Local Union No. 117, General Unit.
[David Topaz, Labor Negotiator; Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28215.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

14. **ORD28216** An ordinance amending Chapters 2.09, 13.05, and 13.06, of the Municipal Code, relating to the Fee Code, Land Use Permit Procedures, and Zoning, to create a defined permitting process for temporary homeless camps and implement a permit fee.
[John Harrington, Principal Planner; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28216 was set over for final reading next week.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

Assistant City Manager Tansy Hayward announced spring celebration events at Tacoma's senior centers, noting on Thursday, April 17, 2014, the Spring Bunny will visit the Lighthouse Senior Center at 5016 A Street at 10:00 a.m., followed by a visit to the Beacon Senior Center at 415 South 13th Street around 11:00 a.m. She stated this would be a chance for people who have not visited the City's senior centers to do so, noting the senior centers provide lunch for individuals over 50, Monday through Friday, and have a variety of volunteer opportunities.

She then announced the Washington Chapter of the American Public Works Association is holding its spring conference of over 350 public works professionals from all over the state at the Greater Tacoma Convention and Trade Center right now.

Ms. Hayward concluded her report by congratulating Tacoma Police Officer Shelby Boyd, who was voted as the Best Police Officer in Tacoma Weekly's Best of Tacoma 2014. She stated Officer Boyd joined the Tacoma Police Department in 2006 and is currently assigned as a Community Liasion Officer in the fourth sector.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Neighborhoods and Housing Committee

Council Member Walker stated the Neighborhoods and Housing Committee has met three times since the last report, and at those meetings the Committee heard a presentation on the permit process for temporary homeless camps hosted by religious organizations; reviewed funding recommendations for the City's proposed 2014-2015 Annual Action Plan for housing and community development; received updates on the City's Rapid Removal Graffiti Pilot Program and the 2014 Code Compliance windshield survey; and interviewed applicants for the Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority Board. She stated the next meeting is May 5, 2014 and the topic is housing and foreclosure trends.

Council Member Thoms reminded all that Walk Tacoma 2014 continues its series of guided walks Wednesday afternoon with a museum walk, meeting at the Children's Museum at 15th and Pacific Avenue for a walk followed by a social afterward at Anthem Coffee and Tea.

Council Member Ibsen reported that he spoke to several hundred youth at the fifth annual Jobfest Job Fair at Metro Parks' STAR Center. He also mentioned the City's Summer Jobs 253 program.

Council Member Boe stated May is Bike Month in Tacoma and those interested can assemble a team for the commuter challenge. He announced a bike swap at the University of Puget Sound on May 3, 2014. He stated a calendar of events can be found at bike253.com, or those interested could follow or join bike conversations on social media with #Bike253. He also noted this Saturday, Tacoma Concert Bank presents "See the USA" at the Pantages Theater.

Council Member Campbell congratulated Mayor Strickland on being voted Politician of the Year in the Tacoma Weekly's Best of 2014 awards. He also thanked the Mayor and others for joining the ribbon cutting ceremony in the Lincoln District for the new Hong Kong Super Market. He noted it is just one of the many ongoing remodeling projects in the Lincoln District.

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Marilyn Strickland, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk