



# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

Telephonic

Dial: 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 832 6587 6087

May 08, 2020

2:00 PM

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## SPECIAL MEETING

### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the special meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

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

**Absent:** 1 - Thoms

All Council Members participated virtually.

### BRIEFING ITEMS

1. [RES40600](#) A resolution directing the City Manager to create and promote appropriate public service announcements that are aimed to improve public awareness of the impacts of speeding on City roads; and encouraging voluntary compliance with a limit of 20 miles per hour on residential streets, for the safety of our entire community.  
[Council Member Beale]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Blocker moved to adopt Resolution No. 40600.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Ushka.**

Council Member Beale presented the purpose of the Resolution.

Discussion ensued regarding public safety and providing the information to the public.

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - Thoms

- 2. [20-0345](#) Update on the status and impact of COVID-19 and the City’s response including:
  - Update on the City of Tacoma’s financial status; and
  - Temporary Emergency Shelter Site Transition.

City Manager Elizabeth Pauli introduced Linda Stewart, Director, Neighborhood and Community Services. Ms. Stewart provided an update on the Tacoma Emergency Micro-Shelter site, including background, current and new locations, budget, timeline, and outreach.

Discussion ensued regarding capacity of the shelter, how long the shelter can be run, and how the shelters function as part of the neighborhood.

City Manager Pauli introduced Katie Johnston, Budget Officer, Finance. Ms. Johnston presented a financial update, including the estimated 2020 revenue impact, planning for 2020 and 2021, and economic projections.

Discussion ensued regarding possible budget impacts when the State Legislature is back in session.

Mayor Woodards reminded the Council that Governor Inslee was issuing guidance on Phase One of re-opening the State.

Council Member Walker recognized National Teacher Appreciation Week.

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

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Ushka.**

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - Thoms

**ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the special meeting was adjourned at 2:52 p.m.

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

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Doris Sorum, City Clerk