



City of Tacoma

Government Performance and Finance Committee Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402, Conference Room 248

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June 20, 2023

10:00 AM

Chair John Hines, Vice Chair Joe Bushnell, Kiara Daniels, Sarah Rumbaugh, Kristina Walker (alternate),
Carlos Watson (ex officio)

Call To Order

Vice Chair Bushnell called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Roll Call

Present: 4 - Bushnell, Hines, Rumbaugh and Walker

Ex Officio Alternate Member John O'Loughlin was also in attendance.

Chair Hines participated virtually.

Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

Approval of Minutes

1. [23-0661](#) Approval of the minutes of the March 7, 2023 meeting.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Walker moved to approve the minutes of the March 7, 2023, meeting.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.

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

Ayes: 4 - Bushnell, Hines, Rumbaugh and Walker

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Briefing Items

2. [23-0659](#) Board of Ethics Interviews
[Doris Sorum, City Clerk]

At approximately 10:08 a.m., Doris Sorum, City Clerk, informed the Committee that they will be interviewing one applicant for the Board of Ethics today, and the first round of interviews were held on June 6, 2023, where two applicants were interviewed.

The Committee interviewed Kashmiri Gavronski.

MOTION: Council Member Rumbaugh, moved to recommend the appointment of Kashmiri Gavronski to the Board of Ethics, to fill an unexpired term to expire December 31, 2024, followed by a three year term to expire December 31, 2027.

SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Walker.

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

Ayes: 4 - Bushnell, Hines, Rumbaugh and Walker

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3. [23-0660](#) Fiscal Sustainability Overview
[Katie Johnston, Budget Officer, Office of Management and Budget;
Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

At approximately 10:22 a.m., Katie Johnston, Budget Officer, Office of Management and Budget, provided opening remarks and introduced Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance. Together, they presented the fiscal sustainability overview, including the Fiscal Sustainability Task Force, noting definitions, competitiveness, and fiscal integrity; trends from 2013 to 2022 regarding the property tax rate, sales tax rate, percent of the General Fund used for police, fire, and contracted services for Neighborhood and Community Services; major actions; current state comparisons; issues; options; response to recession, noting the 2007 and 2020 employment recessions; and readiness.

Discussion ensued regarding parking revenue, housing crisis, bills being approved for infrastructure for updating buildings, non-profit partnerships,

property tax rate, assessments, and the City's tax levy.

4. [23-0662](#) Pole Attachments and 5G Build Out Overview
[Sharon Brophy, Business Services Manager, Tacoma Public Utilities;
Leigh Starr, Engineering Assistant Division Manager, Public Works]

At approximately 11:04 a.m., Sharon Brophy, Business Services Manager, Tacoma Public Utilities, introduced Leigh Starr, Engineering Assistant Division Manager, Public Works, and presented on pole attachments and 5G build out, including an overview, challenges, and deployment timeline requirements known as shot-clocks. She continued by outlining the Tacoma Power program, including Master Pole Attachment Agreements by type, noting pole attachment locations; the wire line permitting process; program metrics, noting new incoming applications by year, and the workload trend; and examples of power pole attachments. Starr continued by reviewing the Public Works program, including reviewing streetlight and traffic signal poles, separate power supply, and processes, noting differences from power poles; next steps; and 5G updates.

5. [23-0663](#) Overview of Tacoma Water 2023 Refunding Bonds
[Jodi Collins, Assistant Water Division Manager; Lyna Vo, Senior Utilities Economist, Tacoma Public Utilities]

At approximately 11:25 a.m., Jodi Collins, Assistant Water Division Manager, Tacoma Water and Lyna Vo, Senior Utilities Economist, Tacoma Water, presented the Tacoma Water 2023 refunding bonds which included an overview; foundational topics; water refunding bonds; Regional Water Supply System (RWSS) refunding bonds; water refunding opportunities, noting estimated dissavings of \$925,000, benchmarks, and recommendations; refunding opportunities, noting estimated savings of \$4,000,000, benchmarks, and recommendations; and the draft transaction schedule.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding the green bond designation, and the transaction schedule.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Walker moved to recommend the Tacoma Water 2023 refunding bonds to the full City Council.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.

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

Ayes: 3 - Bushnell, Rumbaugh and Walker

Absent: 1 - Hines

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Absent: 1 - Hines

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

6. [23-0664](#) July 4, 2023 - Cancelled
July 18, 2023 - Monthly Budget Update; Review of Letters of Interest for “For” and “Against” Committees for the Landlord Fairness Code Initiative;
Class and Compensation Overview and Update
August 1, 2023 - Power Trading 101

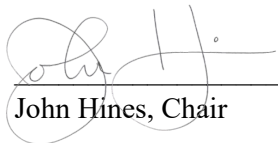
D’Angelo Baker, Committee Liaison, stated that the July 4, 2023, meeting is cancelled; the July 18, 2023, meeting, will include the monthly budget update and review of letters of interest for the “For” and “Against” Committees for the Landlord Fairness Code Initiative and the City’s initiative, the class and compensation overview and update; and the August 1, 2023, meeting will include a presentation on Power Trading 101.

Other Items of Interest

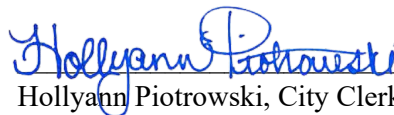
There were no other items of interest.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:47 a.m.



John Hines, Chair



Hollyann Piotrowski, City Clerk's Office