



# City of Tacoma Government Performance and Finance Committee Minutes

747 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 248

April 01, 2015

4:30 PM

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Chair Joe Lonergan, Vice Chair Marty Campbell,  
Mayor Marilyn Strickland, Robert Thoms, Anders Ibsen (alternate)

## Call To Order

Chair Lonergan called the meeting to order at 4:37 p.m.

**Present:** 3 - Campbell, Lonergan and Ibsen

**Absent:** 2 - Strickland and Thoms

Council Member Thoms arrived at 4:42 p.m.

## Approval of Minutes

### 15-0330

Approval of the minutes of the meeting of March 18, 2015

Chair Lonergan stated the minutes of the meeting of March 18, 2015 will be approved at the next meeting.

## Briefing Items

Chair Lonergan stated public comment will be heard before the first briefing item. Public comment was heard from Dr. David Cameron regarding health clinics.

### 15-0328

Tacoma Power Financial Policies  
[Bill Berry, RPA Manager]

At approximately 4:40 p.m., Bill Berry, Rates, Power, and Analysis Manager, provided background information on the Tacoma Power Electric Rate and Financial Policy.

Council Member Thoms arrived here, at 4:42 p.m.

Mr. Berry continued to review proposed language relative to customers, policies, financial targets and rate setting practices, liquidity, the Rate Stabilization Fund, and pre-existing language. Discussion ensued

throughout regarding the proposed language, deregulations, rate setting, adequate levels, rate stability, replenishing funds, policies for all divisions of utilities, critical versus adverse conditions, rate payers, water rates and levels, other municipalities rate increases, and surplus revenue.

Council Member Thoms requested staff provide a ten-year review of rate increases. Council Member Campbell requested the Click! Network Rates and Financial Policy.

**MOTION: Council Member Campbell moved to forward the revised Tacoma Power Electric Rate and Financial Policy to the full Council for consideration.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.**

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

**Ayes: 4 - Campbell, Lonergan, Thoms and Ibsen**

**Absent: 1 - Strickland**

**15-0329**

**Municipal Clinic**

[Kari Louie, Benefits Manager and Joy St. Germain, Human Resources Director]

At approximately 5:26 p.m., Joy St. Germain, Human Resources Director, provided opening remarks and Kari Louie, Benefits Manager, provided background information on health benefits, issues, and outreach. Cherie Hendrix, Mercer Health, reviewed worksite clinic values, employer survey results, return on investment, clinic models, municipality participation, traditional clinic versus onsite clinic models, and challenges. Ms. Louie reviewed decisions to consider for a clinic implementation.

Public comment was heard from Cheryl Ann Mattis, Craig Schweikart, Lin Whatcott, Therese Pasquier, and Alice Phillips regarding municipal clinics.

Discussion ensued regarding cost per member, member benefits, bargaining unions, quality of care, participation requirements in municipal clinics, return on investment, cost savings, locations, preventative healthcare, usage, administrative costs, federal cadillac taxes, on-line scheduling and text message announcements, increasing access, utilization versus fixed-cost, and high-deductible options. Council Member Thoms requested information regarding how much it would cost to have a clinic built onsite versus using an outside facility.

## Topics for Upcoming Meetings

### 15-0331

April 15 - 2014 Year End Financial Report, Tacoma 24/7 End of 2014 Report, and SAP Master Services Contract

Christina Watts, City Manager's Office, stated the next meeting is April 15, 2015 with presentations related to the SAP master services contract, 2014 year-end financials report, and the Tacoma 24/7 end of 2014 report. She stated there will be a presentation relative to Click! Network rates at the meeting of April 29, 2015.

## Other Items of Interest

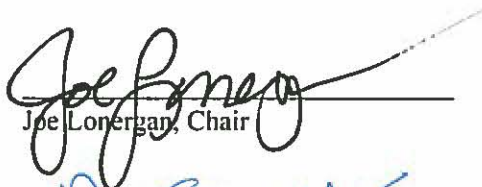
There were no other items of interest.

## Public Comment

Public comment was heard earlier in the meeting.

## Adjournment

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.



Joe Lonergan, Chair



Nicole Emery, City Clerk's Office