



# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

**September 23, 2014**

**5:00 PM**

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## **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 Deputy Mayor Woodards.

## **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

## **ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK**

1. **14-0870** Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, August 26, 2014.
2. **14-0869** Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, August 20, 2014.
3. **14-0871** Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, August 27, 2014.
4. **14-0866** Minutes of the Joint Municipal Action Committee, August 8, 2014.
5. **14-0864** Minutes of the Public Safety, Human Services, and Education Committee, August 28, 2014.
6. **14-0865** Minutes of the Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority, August 14, 2014.

7. **14-0886** Disclosure of Remote Interest pursuant to Tacoma City Charter Section 6.6 and Municipal Code Section 1.46.030 A, B, and F as follows:  
Name Council Member Victoria Woodards  
Affiliation President and CEO, Tacoma Urban League

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to suspend the rules to add an additional resolution, Resolution No. 39014, to tonight’s agenda as the last item under Resolutions on the Regular Agenda.**

**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

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

### **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

8. **ORD28248** An ordinance amending Chapter 13.06 of the Municipal Code to reclassify a 5.38-acre parcel located at 1502 South Orchard Street from an “R-2” Single-Family Dwelling District to an “R-4-L” Low Density Multiple-Family Dwelling District to allow for future construction of a 121-unit apartment complex. (John Wise; File No. REZ2014-40000223041)  
[Phyllis Macleod, Hearing Examiner]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including First Reading of Ordinance No. 28248.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Boe.**

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner for Ordinance No. 28248.**

**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

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda, including setting Ordinance No. 28248 over for final reading to a date to be determined, was declared adopted.**

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

## **PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

9.      **14-0883**      Proclaiming the week of September 21-27, 2014 as Deaf Awareness Week.

Mayor Strickland proclaimed the week of September 21-27, 2014 as Deaf Awareness Week and presented the proclamation to Ms. Melanie Gladstone, teacher and advocate for the deaf.

10.     **14-0884**      Proclaiming September 27, 2014 as Museum Day Live!

Mayor Strickland proclaimed September 27, 2014 as Museum Day Live! and presented the proclamation to Ms. Jennifer Kilmer, Director of the Washington State Historical Society.

11.     **14-0885**      Presentation for Gun Safety Awareness Week.

Mayor Strickland and Deputy Mayor Woodards commented on the City's Gun SafeT: Lock & Unload initiative. Melissa Cordeiro, Tacoma Gang Reduction Project Coordinator, Neighborhood and Community Services, spoke on the City's efforts and then played the debut of the Lock & Unload video. Mayor Strickland then challenged the community to take the Gun SafeT pledge, available at [www.cityoftacoma.org/gunsafeT](http://www.cityoftacoma.org/gunsafeT).

Mayor Strickland announced, pursuant to RCW 35.82.040, she is appointing Minh-Anh Hodge to the Board of Commissioners of the Tacoma Housing Authority for a term beginning September 23, 2014 through August 15, 2019.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment began at 5:23 p.m.

Speaking before Council:

1. Brenda Wiest, Teamsters Local 117, speaking on Ordinance No. 28251
2. Dean Ando, 609 North Oakes Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28250
3. Brooke Steger, Uber, speaking on Ordinance No. 28251
4. Nick Fediay, 3013 6th Avenue, speaking on Ordinance No. 28250
5. Stella Vera, 3013 6th Avenue, speaking on Ordinance No. 28250
6. Erik Bjornson, 1006 North Yakima, speaking on Ordinance No. 28251
7. Tamara Ritchie, 1316 North 10th Street, speaking on Resolution No. 39013
8. Denny Faker, Stadium Business District, speaking on Ordinance No. 28250

Public comment ended at 5:51 p.m.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **RESOLUTIONS**

- 12. RES39012** A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement and Letter of Understanding with District Lodge #160, on behalf of Local Lodge #282, of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, Wastewater Treatment Plant Supervisors' Unit, covering three full-time positions effective January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2016. [Mike Brock, Labor Negotiator; Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt Resolution No. 39012.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Boe.**

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

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

13. **RES39013** A resolution expressing support for the passage of Initiative Measure No. 594 submitted for the November 4, 2014 General Election which reads as follows:

GENERAL ELECTION - INITIATIVE MEASURE NO. 594  
Initiative Measure No. 594 concerns background checks for firearm sales and transfers.

This measure would apply currently used criminal and public safety background checks by licensed dealers to all firearm sales and transfers, including gun show and online sales, with specific exceptions.

Should this measure be enacted into law?

Yes

No

[Mayor Strickland]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt Resolution No. 39013.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Boe.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Campbell, Ibsen, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Nays:** 1 - Lonergan

**Abstain:** 1 - Boe

- RES39014** A resolution establishing the Mayor's Commission on International Relations to foster positive international relations for education, the arts, tourism, and economic development.

[Mayor Strickland]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt Resolution No. 39014.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Boe.**

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

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

## FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

14. **ORD28249** 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 District Lodge #160, on behalf of Local Lodge #282, of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, Wastewater Treatment Plant Maintenance Supervisors' Unit, covering three full-time employees.  
[Mike Brock, Labor Negotiator; Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28249 was set over for final reading next week.**

15. **ORD28250** An ordinance extending the interim land use regulations concerning the production, processing, and retail sale of recreational marijuana through May 16, 2015.  
[Brian Boudet, Planning Division Manager; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28250 was set over for final reading next week.**

16. **ORD28251** An amended ordinance repealing and reenacting Chapter 6B.220 of the Municipal Code, relating to Taxicab Regulations, to change the title to "For-Hire Regulations," to address regulation of taxi service and other types of for-hire transportation services, and continue to provide for the safe, fair and efficient operation of all for-hire vehicles and for-hire drivers in the city.  
[Danielle Larson, Division Manager; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to amend Ordinance No. 28251 on Page 35, Line 8, to strike the words "twenty-five" after the word "hundred".**

**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

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28251, as amended, was set over for final reading next week.**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS**

- 17.     **14-0854**       This is the date set for a public hearing by the City Council on the surplus and negotiated sale of approximately 0.85 of an acre of surplus land located near the intersection of Canyon Road and 172nd Street East in Pierce County to Fretoc, LLC for \$50,000.  
[Gloria Fletcher, Senior Real Estate Officer; Linda McCrea, Superintendent, Tacoma Water]

The public hearing began at 5:51 p.m.

No one came forward to address the City Council.

The public hearing ended at 5:53 p.m.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

**REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

No report.

**COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Public Safety, Human Services, and Education Committee

The Public Safety, Human Services, and Education Committee report was not given.

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Council Member Boe stated it is Fall Bike to Work Week and discussed all the upcoming bicycle events as part of the week-long celebration. He invited everyone to participate in one or several of the events, and also to attend one of the many farmers’ markets and the Fall Garden Festival at the Point Defiance Pagoda.

Council Member Campbell invited everyone to see the results of the citizen input into the Tacoma Strategic Plan, noting there was a great event last night at the Asia Pacific Cultural Center and there will be events on September 24, 2014 at the University of Puget Sound Wheelock Center

focusing on art and cultural vitality and natural environment, and September 29, 2014 at Bates Technical College focusing on economic vibrancy, employment, education and learning.

Council Member Walker stated she has the pleasure of introducing Angela Davis as the key note speaker for the 2014 Race and Pedagogy National Conference at the University of Puget Sound. She stated there are wonderful events and speakers for the conference and invited everyone to attend.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

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Marilyn Strickland, Mayor

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Doris Sorum, City Clerk