



# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

**September 26, 2017**

**5:00 PM**

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## CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Thoms called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms  
and Walker Lee

**Absent:** 1 - 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. [17-0949](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board special meeting, August 7, 2017.
2. [17-0950](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, August 9, 2017.
3. [17-0951](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, August 9, 2017.

## CONSENT AGENDA

4. [17-0916](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, September 12, 2017.

## RESOLUTIONS

5.     [RES39818](#)     A resolution setting Tuesday, October 10, 2017, at approximately 5:15 p.m., as the date for a public hearing by the City Council on the surplus and proposed sale of approximately 1.35 acres of property, located on the north and south sides of State Route 302 in unincorporated Pierce County, to the Key Peninsula Metropolitan Park District, for the amount of \$16,250.  
[Greg Muller, Real Estate Officer; Chris Robinson, Power Superintendent]
  
6.     [RES39819](#)     A resolution setting Tuesday, October 10, 2017, at approximately 5:15 p.m., as the date for a public hearing by the City Council on the proposed modifications to and the six-month extension date of the Emergency Temporary Shelters Interim Regulations.  
[Brian Boudet, Planning Manager; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

## FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

7.     [ORD28455](#)     An ordinance amending Chapter 13.06 of the Municipal Code, relating to Zoning, to reclassify three parcels along South Orchard Street, from an R-2 Single-Family Dwelling District to an R-4-L Low-Density Multiple-Family Dwelling District, and modifying a previously approved reclassification of three adjacent parcels, to facilitate multi-family development of the overall site, with a primary site address of 1410 South Orchard Street.  
(Orchard Street Acquisition, LLC; Orchard Street Investors, LLC;  
File No. LU17-0074)  
[Jeff H. Capell, Hearing Examiner]

**MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 39818 and 39819, and first reading of Ordinance No. 28455.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Lonergan.**

**MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner for Ordinance No. 28455.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Lonergan.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms and Walker Lee

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Strickland

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 39818 and 39819, and setting Ordinance No. 28455 over to a date to be determined. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms and Walker Lee

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Strickland

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

8. [17-0920](#) Proclaiming October 2017 as National Disability Employment Awareness Month.

Deputy Mayor Thoms proclaimed October 2017 as National Disability Employment Awareness Month and presented a proclamation to Ms. Juanessa Scott, Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor, and Ms. LaDell Lockwood, Washington State Department of Services for the Blind.

9. [17-0921](#) Proclaiming October 2017 as Tacoma Arts Month.

Deputy Mayor Thoms proclaimed October 2017 as Tacoma Arts Month and presented a proclamation to Mr. Mike Sweney, Chair of the Tacoma Arts Commission.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public Comment began at 5:12 p.m.

No one came forward to address the City Council.

Public Comment ended at 5:13 p.m.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS**

- 10.**     [RES39820](#)     A resolution awarding a contract to EGM, Inc., d.b.a. MENG Analysis, in the amount of \$269,395, sales tax not applicable, budgeted from the Municipal Building Acquisition and Operations Fund, for a condition assessment of General Government facilities - Specification No. PW15-0635F.  
[Joshua Clarke, Project Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

**MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 39820.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Lonergan.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms and Walker Lee

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Strickland

## RESOLUTIONS

11. [RES39821](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Tacoma-Pierce County Employment Training Consortium, also known as WorkForce Central, for a market-based interest bearing line of credit, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000, budgeted from the General Fund, beginning January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2019.  
[Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

**MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 39821.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Lonergan.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms and Walker Lee

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Strickland

12. [RES39822](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an amendment to the agreement with K&L Gates LLP, in the amount of \$200,000, budgeted from the Internal Services and Power Funds, for a total amount of \$400,000, for ongoing legal services and representation relating to the Click! Network.  
[Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 39822.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Lonergan.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms and Walker Lee

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Strickland

13. [RES39823](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an amendment to the agreement with Community Youth Services, in the amount of \$334,227, budgeted from the Mental Health Fund, for a total amount of \$534,000, for staffing and operation of the Crisis Residential Center, through December 31, 2018.

[Linda Stewart, Interim Director, Neighborhood and Community Services]

**MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 39823.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Lonergan.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms and Walker Lee

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Strickland

14. [RES39824](#) A resolution sponsoring the Tacoma Housing Authority for enrollment in the Association of Washington Cities Employee Benefit Trust.

[Mayor Strickland and Council Member Walker Lee]

**MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 39824.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Lonergan.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms and Walker Lee

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Strickland

## FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

15. [ORD28453](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 18.10 of the Municipal Code, entitled “Paid Leave”, to align City code requirements with the State’s paid sick leave law which takes effect on January 1, 2018.  
[Melanie Harding, Employment Standards Project Manager; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken and carried. The Ordinance was declared passed.**

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms and Walker Lee

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Strickland

## FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

16. [ORD28456](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation, restore the classification of Tacoma Venues and Events Attendant, and create the classifications of Senior Labor Relations Manager and Utilities Safety Manager.  
[Kari Louie, Benefits Manager; Gary Buchanan, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28456 was set over for final reading next week.**

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

## REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

There was no report.

## COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

### Community Vitality and Safety Committee

Council Member Blocker, Chair of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, stated at the meeting on August 24, 2017, the Committee conducted interviews for the Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority and the Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities. He stated the Community

and Economic Development Department also presented an approach to the five year Neighborhood Council Program review. He noted the meeting on September 14, 2017 was cancelled and the next meeting will be September 28, 2017, and will include discussion on proposed affordable housing strategies.

**MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to excuse Mayor Strickland from the meeting tonight.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Lonergan.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms and Walker Lee

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Strickland

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:26 p.m.

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Robert Thoms, Deputy Mayor

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Doris Sorum, City Clerk