



City Council Study Session Minutes

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Tacoma Municipal Building North, Room 16, 733 Market Street, Tacoma, Washington 98402

July 16, 2013

Mayor Strickland called the study session to order at 12:06 p.m.

Council Members Present: 8 – Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, and Mayor Strickland.

Council Members Absent: 1 – Woodards (arrived at 12:13 p.m.)

Mayor Strickland announced the first study session topic is the State Legislative debrief. Randy Lewis, Government Relations Officer, reviewed the status of the 2013 City Council legislative priorities, including economic development, environmental, and fiscal priorities.

Council Member Woodards arrived here, at 12:13 p.m.

Mr. Lewis continued reviewing the status of legislative priorities, including those relating to neighborhoods and transportation. Mayor Strickland noted the transportation revenue package that did not pass would have allowed Pierce Transit to improve park and ride stations and resume service to outlying areas. Mr. Lewis then reviewed bills affecting the City, operating budget impacts, transportation budget impacts, capital budget impacts, and next steps. Discussion ensued regarding Washington Senate Bill 5444, the potential for another transportation session, the restoration of liquor funds, the Housing Trust Fund, funding for People's Pool, and the disconnect between community support and the legislative process regarding funding transportation projects.

Mayor Strickland asked for other items of interest; hearing none she called upon City Manager T.C. Broadnax for a review of tonight's Council agenda. Mr. Broadnax stated there will be two recognitions for the second quarter Human Rights Champion Award recipients; and there are no other changes to the agenda.

Mayor Strickland stated there will be a Committee of the Whole meeting today at 2:00 p.m., in the Visibility Center, on the 9th floor of the Tacoma Municipal Building.

Deputy Mayor Campbell moved to convene to Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss potential litigation, the session not to exceed 30 minutes. Seconded by Council Member Woodards. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Mayor Strickland stated Council would take a five minute break followed by Executive Session.

The Council convened to Executive Session at 12:45 p.m. City Attorney Elizabeth Pauli, Chief Deputy City Attorney Bill Fosbre, and Deputy City Attorney Jeff Capell were present.

The Executive Session was extended for 15 minutes at 1:15 p.m.

The Executive Session was extended for 10 minutes at 1:30 p.m.

The Executive Session concluded and the study session reconvened at 1:40 p.m.

There being no further business, the study session was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

MARILYN STRICKLAND, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
DORIS SORUM, CITY CLERK