



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

December 18, 2018

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:11 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy, Mello and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 3 - Ibsen, Thoms and Ushka

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Council Member Beale.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [18-1497](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, November 6, 2018.
2. [18-1498](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, November 20, 2018.
3. [18-1483](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, October 24, 2018.
4. [18-1503](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, November 14, 2018.

CONSENT AGENDA

There were no Consent Agenda items.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

5. [18-1504](#) Proclaiming January 2019 as Whole Child Month.
Mayor Woodards proclaimed January 2019 as Whole Child Month and presented the proclamation to Ms. Karen Vialle, Tacoma Public Schools.

6. [18-1505](#) Recognition for Mr. Jeff Christopher Dunn.
Mayor Woodards recognized Mr. Jeff Christopher Dunn for his actions and courage in supporting Tacoma Fire with the Spanish Hills apartment complex fire. Mayor Woodards presented Mr. Dunn with the recognition and Fire Chief Jim Duggan presented Mr. Dunn with the Fire Chief's Coin for Excellence.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:24 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Molly Nichols, Tacoma Tenants Organizing Committee (TTOC) and Futurewise, speaking on Resolution No. 40195.
2. Rebecca Stith, Human Rights Commission, speaking on Resolution No. 40196.
3. Michael Mirra, Tacoma Housing Authority, speaking on Resolution No. 40195.
4. Sarah Howe, TTOC and Washington Council of the Blind, speaking on Resolution No. 40195.
5. Carl Anderson, TTOC, speaking on Resolution No. 40195.
6. Nikie Walters, resident, speaking on the Whole Child Month Proclamation and Resolution Nos. 40194, 40195, 40196, and 40199.
7. Tanya Webking, TTOC, speaking on Resolution No. 40195.
8. Marilyn Kimmerling, 4414 North 34th Street, speaking on Resolution Nos. 40195 and 40196.
9. Kenny Coble, Tacoma Roots, speaking on Resolution No. 40199.
10. Dr. Allen Ratcliffe, Homeless Coalition, speaking on Resolution No. 40195.

Public Comment ended at 5:49 p.m.

PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

9. [RES40188](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Elxsi, d.b.a. Cues, Inc., in the amount of \$689,860, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the Wastewater Fund, for two closed-circuit television vans for collection system asset inspections - HGACBuy Contract No. SC01-18.
[John O'Loughlin, Assistant Director; Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 40188.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy, Mello and Mayor Woodards
Absent: 3 - Ibsen, Thoms and Ushka

10. [RES40189](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Kemira Water Solutions, Inc., in the amount of \$260,000, taxes not applicable, budgeted from the Wastewater Fund, for liquid polyaluminum chloride used in treating wastewater at the City's wastewater treatment plants, for an initial contract period of two years, with the option to renew for three additional one-year periods, for a projected contract total of \$650,000 - Specification No. ES18-0404F.
[John O'Loughlin, Assistant Director; Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No.40189.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy, Mello and Mayor Woodards
Absent: 3 - Ibsen, Thoms and Ushka

11. [RES40190](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Miles Resources LLC, in the amount of \$493,600, plus applicable taxes, plus a 20 percent contingency, for a total of \$592,320, budgeted from the Surface Water Fund, for field testing construction of new permeable pavement mix designs and a storm water collection system with bio retention treatment facilities - Not Practicable to Bid.
[Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Science and Engineering Division Manager;
Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 40190.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy, Mello and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 3 - Ibsen, Thoms and Ushka

12. [RES40191](#) A resolution authorizing an increase to the contract with United Site Services Nevada, Inc., in the amount of \$400,000, plus applicable taxes, for a total of \$600,000, budgeted from various departmental funds, for the rental and service of portable toilets, sinks, and handwashing stations - Specification No. CT17-0097F.
[Patsy Best, Procurement and Payable Manager; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 40191.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy, Mello and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 3 - Ibsen, Thoms and Ushka

13. [RES40192](#) A resolution authorizing an increase to the contract with Life Assist, Inc., in the amount of \$200,000, plus applicable taxes, for a total of \$540,000, budgeted from the Emergency Medical Services Special Revenue Fund, for emergency medical supplies - East Pierce Fire and Rescue District Agreement No. 98390FDS
[Michael Fitzgerald, Assistant to the Chief; James P. Duggan, Fire Chief]

MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 40192.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy, Mello and Mayor Woodards
Absent: 3 - Ibsen, Thoms and Ushka

RESOLUTIONS

14. [RES40193](#) A resolution approving the 2019-2020 Administration and Operating Budget for the Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority.
[Daniel Murillo, Housing Division Manager; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 40193.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy, Mello and Mayor Woodards
Absent: 3 - Ibsen, Thoms and Ushka

15. [RES40194](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority, in the amount of \$800,000, budgeted from the Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Fund, for construction of the Tacoma Housing Authority's Youth Crisis Residential Center.
[Linda Stewart, Director, Neighborhood and Community Services]

MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 40194.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy, Mello and Mayor Woodards
Absent: 3 - Ibsen, Thoms and Ushka

16. [RES40195](#) A resolution adopting the priority issues for the 2019 sessions of the United States Congress and Washington State Legislature.
[Alisa O'Hanlon, Government Relations Analyst; Randall Lewis, Director, Government Relations Office]

MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 40195.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

MOTION: Mayor Woodards moved to amend the legislative agenda on page 1, under the "Neighborhoods" section, by replacing the 2nd bullet point with the following language:

Working with the Tacoma Housing Authority (THA) and others, the City is endeavoring to improve services for homeless youth in Tacoma. The City plans to establish a permanent site for a youth drop-in shelter and young adult overnight shelter and will seek capital budget funds for this project. The City also supports THA's request for \$1.67 million in operating funding for services at the Arlington Drive Youth Campus it has begun to develop.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy, Mello and Mayor Woodards
Absent: 3 - Ibsen, Thoms and Ushka

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution, including the legislative agenda, as amended, was declared adopted.

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy, Mello and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 3 - Ibsen, Thoms and Ushka

17. [RES40196](#) A resolution affirming the City's support for the human rights of all persons, including immigrants and refugees, who live, work, travel through, or seek services within its boundaries.

[Council Member Blocker]

MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 40196.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy, Mello and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 3 - Ibsen, Thoms and Ushka

18. [RES40197](#) A resolution approving the cancellation of the following six regular City Council meetings in 2019: January 2, March 12, May 28, September 3, November 26, and December 26.
[Mayor Woodards]

MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 40197.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy, Mello and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 3 - Ibsen, Thoms and Ushka

19. [RES40198](#) A resolution authorizing the use of \$25,000 of City Council Contingency Funds, to support the Pierce County Complete Count Committee to ensure a thorough and accurate Census 2020 in the City, to be directed to the Greater Tacoma Community Foundation “Pierce County Census 2020” Fund.
[Mayor Woodards]

MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 40198.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy, Mello and Mayor Woodards
Absent: 3 - Ibsen, Thoms and Ushka

20. [RES40199](#) A resolution authorizing the use of up to \$5,000 of City Council Contingency Funds, for expenses related to the 2019 Tacoma Roots’ Summit events; and directing the City Manager to negotiate and execute an agreement with Citizens for a Healthy Bay for the City’s sponsorship of said events.
[Mayor Woodards]

MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 40199.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

MOTION: Mayor Woodards moved to amend Resolution No. 40199 by changing the amount from “\$5,000” to “\$10,000” on page 1, lines 3 and 24, and page 2, line 21.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Hunter.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy, Mello and Mayor Woodards
Absent: 3 - Ibsen, Thoms and Ushka

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution, as amended, was declared adopted.

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy, Mello and Mayor Woodards
Absent: 3 - Ibsen, Thoms and Ushka

21. [RES40200](#) A resolution authorizing the use of up to \$5,000 of City Council Contingency Funds for expenses related to the Pierce County Opioid Summit 2019.
[Council Member McCarthy]

MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 40200.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy, Mello and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 3 - Ibsen, Thoms and Ushka

22. [RES40201](#) A resolution authorizing the use of \$15,000 of City Council Contingency Funds for the purpose of partnering with the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency (PSCAA) to purchase air sensors and create a two-year pilot program in order to educate and engage the public in air quality monitoring; and directing the City Manager to negotiate and execute an agreement with PSCAA outlining the scope of work and deliverables.
[Council Member McCarthy]

MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 40201.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy, Mello and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 3 - Ibsen, Thoms and Ushka

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

23. [ORD28567](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation for represented and non-represented employees; and changes in classifications to reflect the organizational structure.
[Kari Louie, Senior Compensation and Benefits Manager; Gary Buchanan, Director, Human Resources]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28567.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy, Mello and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 3 - Ibsen, Thoms and Ushka

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

- 24. [ORD28568](#) An ordinance amending the franchise granted to the Puyallup Tribe of Indians pursuant to Ordinance No. 27957, to expand the boundaries of the franchise to include private infrastructure within portions of East 29th, East 31st, East 32nd, East “R” Streets, and alley rights-of-way for the Puyallup Tribe of Indians Emerald Queen Casino Relocation Project.
[Ronda Cornforth, Senior Real Estate Specialist; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28568 was set over for final reading on January 8, 2019.

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, reported at the December 13, 2018 meeting, the Committee conducted interviews for the Citizen Police Advisory Committee. He concluded by stating the December 27, 2018 meeting has been cancelled.

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Council Member Hunter and Mayor Woodards commented on the City Council’s year together.

Mayor Woodards stated the December 26, 2018 and January 2, 2019 City Council business meetings and study sessions have been cancelled.

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MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to excuse Deputy Mayor Ibsen and Council Members Thoms and Ushka from the meeting.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy, Mello and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 3 - Ibsen, Thoms and Ushka

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk