



City of Tacoma

City Council Study Session Minutes

733 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 16

July 08, 2014

12:00 PM

Call to Order

Deputy Mayor Woodards called the study session to order at 12:08 p.m.

Present: 7 - Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Ibsen, Mello, Walker and Woodards

Absent: 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland

Briefing Items

1. **14-0599** P-3 Partnerships - Public Works Department & Planning and Development Services Department

Deputy Mayor Woodards announced the first study session topic is P-3 Partnerships. Jeff Jenkins, Public Works, reviewed the department's mission, ongoing partnerships, project based partners, infrastructure coordination, and construction communication guidelines. Discussion ensued regarding the partnerships, including praise offered by the Tacoma Art Museum, accountability measures for private contractors, and public outreach protocols.

Peter Huffman, Planning and Development Services (PDS) Director, provided opening remarks regarding the department vision, mission, and the importance of partnerships. He then reviewed state, regional, community, and development partners. Discussion ensued regarding the permitting process vision.

2. **14-0606** North Downtown Subarea Plan and Environmental Impact Statement

Deputy Mayor Woodards announced the next study session topic is the North Downtown Subarea Plan and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Ian Munce, PDS, reviewed the subarea plan and EIS, including the boundaries, background information, initial outreach, the community vision statement, key issues identified, Stadium Way slope design standards, and the LINK extension integration.

Mr. Munce continued to review the plan and EIS, including expansion of the reduced parking area (RPA), support for the Bates Campus Master Plan, on-street parking, whether the off-street parking requirement for development on core pedestrian seats should be introduced, outreach, feedback received, next steps, and the schedule. Discussion ensued regarding on-street parking, consistency with other planning documents, parking minimums in the RPA, the scope of the Stadium Way Slope Design project, and the importance of community buy-in.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Agenda Review and City Manager's Weekly Report

City Manager T.C. Broadnax provided comments on the previous discussion regarding equity and empowerment, and encouraged everyone to stay engaged in the visioning process. He then stated tonight's agenda will include one proclamation proclaiming July 2014 as Gay Pride Month, and Citizens' Forum.

3. 14-0607 Weekly Report to the City Council, July 3, 2014

Closed Session - Labor Negotiations

MOTION: Council Member Boe moved to convene to Closed Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(a)(b) to discuss labor negotiations, the session not to exceed 20 minutes.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Lonergan.

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

Ayes: 7 - Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Ibsen, Mello, Walker and Woodards

Absent: 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland

Deputy Mayor Woodards stated Council would take a five minute break followed by Closed Session.

The Council convened to Closed Session at 1:30 p.m.

The Closed Session was extended for 10 minutes at 1:50 p.m.

The Closed Session was extended for 10 minutes at 2:00 p.m.

The Closed Session was extended for eight minutes at 2:10 p.m.

The Closed Session concluded and the study session reconvened at 2:18 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the study session was adjourned at 2:18 p.m.

Victoria Woodards, Deputy Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk