



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

October 07, 2014

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

Absent: 1 - Mello

Council Member Mello arrived at 5:13 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member Campbell.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. **14-0915** Minutes of the City Events and Recognitions Committee, August 11, 2014.
2. **14-0916** Minutes of the City Events and Recognitions Committee, August 25, 2014.
3. **14-0917** Minutes of the City Events and Recognitions Committee, September 8, 2014.

CONSENT AGENDA

4. **14-0945** Minutes of the City Council meeting of July 15, 2014.
5. **14-0946** Minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting of July 15, 2014.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt the Consent Agenda.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Boe.

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

Ayes: 8 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

Absent: 1 - Mello

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

6. **14-0935** Presentation of the Disability Advocate of the Year Awards.

Mayor Strickland presented Disability Advocate of the Year Awards to recipients, Daniel Eberle, Leah Velasco, and Imperial Vending Services. Mr. Gerrit Nyland, Chair of the Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities, provided information on each award recipient and introduced each person in attendance.

7. **14-0936** Proclaiming October 11, 2014 as Arbor Day and Green Tacoma Day.

Council Member Mello arrived here, at 5:13 p.m.

Mayor Strickland proclaimed October 11, 2014 as Arbor Day and Green Tacoma Day and presented the proclamation to Geoff Smith, Environmental Services, and Joe Brady, Metro Parks Tacoma.

8. **14-0937** Proclaiming the week of October 5-11, 2014 as Public Power Week; and the week of October 13-18, 2014 as Careers in Energy Week.

Mayor Strickland proclaimed the week of October 5-11, 2014 as Public Power Week; and the week of October 13-18, 2014 as Careers in Energy Week, and presented the proclamation to Ted Coates, Tacoma Power Superintendent.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment began at 5:23 p.m.

Speaking before Council:

Denny Faker, Stadium Business District Association, speaking on Ordinance No. 28246.

Public comment ended at 5:27 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

9. **RES39020** A resolution awarding a contract to Northwest Cascade, Inc., in the amount of \$1,637,036.90, plus sales tax, plus a 10 percent contingency, for a cumulative total of \$1,800,740.59, budgeted from the Transportation Capital, 2009 LTGO Bond-E, Surface Water and Water Funds, for realigning the intersection of Jefferson Avenue, Broadway and South 17th Street and improving pedestrian amenities - Specification No. PW14-0087F.
[Chris E. Larson, P.E., Division Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt Resolution No. 39020.

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

- 10. RES39021** A resolution awarding a contract to R.L. Alia Company, in the amount of \$280,234, excluding sales tax, plus a 15 percent contingency, for a cumulative total of \$322,269.10, budgeted from the Wastewater Fund, for the replacement of approximately 1,000 linear feet of 8-inch diameter underground wastewater pipe in the vicinity of Wright Avenue and East I Street - Specification No. ES14-0150F.
[Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Division Manager; Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt Resolution No. 39021.

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

RESOLUTIONS

- 11. RES39022** A resolution authorizing the execution of an amendment to the Interagency Agreement with the University of Washington Tacoma for construction and construction management of the South 17th Street realignment between Jefferson Avenue, Broadway, and Commerce Street.
[Chris E. Larson, P.E., Division Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt Resolution No. 39022.

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

- 12. RES39023** A resolution authorizing the execution of an interest-free, ten-year loan agreement with the Washington State Department of Transportation, in the amount of \$1,037,012, less a one percent administrative fee, to upgrade a segment of railroad track paralleling State Route 509 between Alexander Avenue and Taylor Way.
[Alan Matheson, Chief Mechanical Officer; Dale King, Rail Superintendent]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt Resolution No. 39023.

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. **RES39024** A resolution amending and adopting the Legislative Policy of the City of Tacoma for 2015-2016.
[Randall Lewis, Government Relations Officer; T.C. Broadnax, City Manager, City Manager's Office]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt Resolution No. 39024.

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

14. **RES39025** A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing 12-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with David Foster, for the development of four multi-family rental housing units to be located at 1302 South J Street in the MLK Mixed-Use Center.
[Debbie Bingham, Program Development Specialist; Ricardo Noguera, Director, Community and Economic Development]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt Resolution No. 39025.

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

- 15. RES39026** A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing Eight-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Pacific Opportunities, LLC, for the development of 94 multi-family market-rate rental housing units to be located at 7635 Pacific Avenue in the 72nd and Pacific Mixed-Use Center.
[Debbie Bingham, Program Development Specialist; Ricardo Noguera, Director, Community and Economic Development]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt Resolution No. 39026.

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

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

- 16. ORD28252** 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 Teamsters Local Union 313.
[Mike Brock, Labor Negotiator; Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28252. The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

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

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

17. **ORD28246** An ordinance amending the Comprehensive Plan, as amended, by adding a new element to be known as the North Downtown Subarea Plan.
[Ian Munce, Special Assistant to the Director; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

MOTION: Council Member Boe moved to amend the North Downtown Subarea Plan being adopted by Ordinance No. 28246, at proposed Goal LU-5 on Page 60, by changing it to read as follows: “retain and add as reasonably feasible on-street parking spaces within the stadium district in coordination with the goals and policies of its designation as a mixed-use center and the design principles of complete streets without inhibiting future transit and/or multi-modal improvements.”

SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Woodards.

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

MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to amend the North Downtown Subarea Plan being adopted by Ordinance No. 28246, at Recommendation M-9 on Page 154, by changing it to read as follows: “work with Sound Transit to secure funding for the Tacoma Link Light Rail Expansion Project.”

SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Woodards.

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. 28246, as amended, was set over for final reading next week.

18. **ORD28247** An ordinance amending Chapter 13.06A of the Municipal Code, to adjust the boundary of the Reduced Parking Area in downtown Tacoma.
[Ian Munce, Special Assistant to the Director; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28247 was set over for final reading next week.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager T.C. Broadnax introduced Margaret Hui, new intern in the City Manager's Office. He provided background information on Ms. Hui's education and experience, and noted she will also be assisting the Community and Economic Development Department during her internship.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Government Performance and Finance Committee

Council Member Lonergan stated the Government Performance and Finance Committee has recently discussed for-hire transportation services and changes to align all services under the same set of regulations; received a high-level preliminary budget and rate overview for Wastewater, Surface Water, and Solid Waste; held a joint meeting with the Fiscal Sustainability Taskforce where staff presented the General Fund forecast through 2020, and the strategy used to develop the proposed budget for the 2015-16 biennium; and heard a presentation about the State's Shared Work Program. He stated at the next meeting, the Committee will review the August monthly financial report and hear a presentation on FileLocal.

Council Member Boe stated the Broadway Farmers' Market continues every Thursday through October 30, 2014, and the Proctor Farmers' Market continues every Saturday through December. He then stated the unveiling of the Japanese Language School Memorial, commemorating the history of the Japanese community in Tacoma, will occur on Friday at 10:00 a.m. at the University of Washington Tacoma; and this Saturday and Sunday between 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., at 37 different locations around Tacoma, artists will open the doors of their studios to the public for free tours, opportunities to try different art mediums, purchase local art, and talk with artists. Finally, he noted that this Sunday is CPR Sunday and Tacoma Fire Department will be offering free CPR training sessions between 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. at Foss High School.

Council Member Thoms reported that Tacoma's Yachtoberfest on the Foss Waterway last weekend was a big success, with hundreds of boaters from around the sound.

Council Member Ibsen reported that the Tacoma Waterfront Association's monthly meeting at Johnny's Dock will be on Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. and this Friday, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., an open house will be held following the reopening of Washington Elementary School in the Proctor District.

Council Member Lonergan thanked everyone who participated in the Pierce County Heart Walk at Cheney Stadium. He stated the City of Tacoma was the second biggest fund raiser for the event, raising more than \$225,000, pending final tallies.

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Marilyn Strickland, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk