



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

April 11, 2017

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms and Walker Lee

Absent: 3 - Blocker, Campbell and Mayor Strickland

Council Members Blocker and Campbell arrived at 5:04 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Council Member McCarthy.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Council Members Blocker and Campbell arrived here, at 5:04 p.m.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [17-0356](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Arts Commission, March 13, 2017.
2. [17-0357](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Arts Commission special meeting, March 18, 2017.
3. [17-0354](#) Convention Center and Parking Revenue Bonds Coverage Compliance.
4. [17-0361](#) Disclosure of Remote Interest pursuant to Tacoma City Charter Section 6.6 and Municipal Code Section 1.46.030 A and B as follows:

Name	Council Member Conor McCarthy
Affiliation	Puget County Regional Council, Representative
Affiliation	Puget Sound Regional Council - Economic Development District, Board Member
Affiliation	Tacoma Community House, Board of Directors
Affiliation	Tacoma Pierce County Bar Association - Volunteer Legal Services, Board Member
Affiliation	Tacoma Technology HUB, Board of Directors

CONSENT AGENDA

5. [17-0363](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, February 28, 2017.
6. [17-0322](#) Minutes of the City Council special meeting, March 13-14, 2017.
7. [17-0347](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, March 21, 2017.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

8. [ORD28424](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 13.06 of the Municipal Code, relating to Zoning, to reclassify approximately 1.78 acres located at 4601 South Orchard Street, from an R-2 Single-Family Dwelling District to an M-1 Light Industrial District, for a stormwater detention facility and up to 100 parking spaces. (H&P Tacoma Acquisition, LLC/New Cold Seattle, LLC; File No. REZ2013-40000199731)
[Phyllis Macleod, Hearing Examiner]

MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including first reading of Ordinance No. 28424.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Lonergan.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including setting Ordinance No. 28424 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

There were no proclamations, recognitions, presentations, or announcements.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:05 p.m.

No one came forward to address the City Council.

Public Comment ended at 5:06 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

APPOINTMENTS

9. [RES39698](#) A resolution appointing and reappointing individuals to the Human Rights Commission.
 [Doris Sorum, City Clerk; Bill Fosbre, Acting City Attorney]

MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 39698.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Lonergan.

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

Ayes: 7 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello and Thoms

Absent: 1 - Mayor Strickland

Recused: 1 - Walker Lee

RESOLUTIONS

10. [RES39699](#) A resolution requesting the Public Utility Board to develop a plan to increase the use of residential solar power in the City, which shall address economic inequality and ensure an equitable increase in the number of residential solar users from all income levels; and to present its plan to the City Council no later than October 1, 2017.
 [Council Member Campbell]

MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 39699.

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

11. [ORD28419](#) An ordinance amending Ordinance No. 26749 which granted Sound Transit a non-exclusive Right of Use Agreement to construct, operate, own and maintain a passenger rail system within the City; to provide for the expansion of the Right-of-Way Area to include the proposed location of the Link Light Rail Expansion and related amendments; and establishing an effective date.
[Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

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

12. [ORD28423](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 12.10 of the Municipal Code, relating to Water - Regulations and Rates, to repeal Subsection 12.10.400.E relating to temporary water service contracts.
[Sean Senescall, Rates and Financial Planning Manager; Linda McCrea, Water Superintendent]

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

13. [ORD28425](#) An ordinance granting a non-exclusive franchise to Mobilitie, LLC to construct, operate, and maintain a telecommunications system in the City.
[Jeff Lueders, Cable Communications and Franchise Services Manager; Gwen Schuler, Director, Media and Communications]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28425 was set over for final reading on May 2, 2017.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

CITIZENS' FORUM

Citizens' Forum began at 5:24 p.m.

1. Paul Christel, 5112 South 10th Street, speaking on residential permits.
2. Brian Hardy, Tacoma Black Professional Firefighters Association, speaking on the Tacoma Fire Department.
3. Kristina Walker, Downtown on the Go, speaking on bikes.
4. Giovanni London, 6009 South Ferdinand Street, speaking on bikes.
5. Steven Storms, 1316 Browns Point Boulevard, speaking on liquefied natural gas.
6. Nanette Reetz, Northeast Tacoma resident, speaking on liquefied natural gas.
7. Marilyn Kimmerling, Tacoma, speaking on liquefied natural gas.

Citizens' Forum ended at 5:41 p.m.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

Interim City Manager Elizabeth Pauli reported the Port of Tacoma Road Reconstruction Project and the Tacoma Avenue South Bridge Project have been selected by the Washington Chapter of the American Public Works Association (APWA) for Project of the Year Awards in the Transportation Category and the Historical Restoration/Preservation Category, respectively. She stated the APWA Spring Conference will be on April 27, 2017 at the Greater Tacoma Convention and Trade Center.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Council Member Mello thanked the citizens who came out tonight to provide comments. He also stated the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee (IPS) will meet tomorrow, Wednesday, April 12, 2017, to interview candidates for the Sustainable Tacoma Commission and hear a presentation on a Complete Streets ordinance, and there will be a special meeting of the IPS Committee on Monday, April 17, 2017, in Room 16 of the Tacoma Municipal Building North, at 4:30 p.m. to discuss the Cushman Substation, which was originally scheduled for the April 12, 2017 meeting.

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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 5:45 p.m.

Robert Thoms, Deputy Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk