



# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402, Council Chambers

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**December 06, 2022**

**5:00 PM**

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## CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Ushka called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** 7 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Ushka and Walker

**Absent:** 2 - Rumbaugh and Mayor Woodards

Council Member Rumbaugh arrived at 5:09 p.m.

## FLAG SALUTE

Council Member Walker stated that we gratefully honor and acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language.

The flag salute was led by Council Member Walker.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [22-1324](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, July 26, 2022.
2. [22-1325](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, August 9, 2022.
3. [22-1326](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, August 23, 2022.
7. [22-1342](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, August 24, 2022.
4. [22-1338](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, September 14, 2022.

5. [22-1339](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, September 28, 2022.
6. [22-1340](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, October 12, 2022.
8. [22-1322](#) List of names regarding non-police crisis and trauma response teams.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

9. [22-1335](#) Minutes of the Committee of the Whole special meeting, July 12, 2022.
10. [22-1336](#) Minutes of the Committee of the Whole special meeting, August 2, 2022.
11. [22-1337](#) Minutes of the Committee of the Whole special meeting, August 9, 2022.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

12. [RES41075](#) A resolution setting Thursday, January 12, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on the request to vacate a portion of South Madison Street, lying south of South 40th Street, to facilitate an industrial park and associated storm ponds, utility extensions, and parking facilities. (Bridge Point Tacoma, LLC; File No. 124.1432)  
[Troy Stevens, Senior Real Estate Specialist; Josh Diekmann, P.E. PTOE, Interim Director, Public Works]
13. [RES41076](#) A resolution setting Thursday, January 19, 2023, at 1:30 p.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on the request to vacate a portion of South 50th Street, lying west of South Madison Street, to facilitate an industrial park and associated storm ponds, and utility extensions. (Bridge Point Tacoma, LLC; File No. 124.1442)  
[Troy Stevens, Senior Real Estate Specialist; Josh Diekmann, P.E. PTOE, Interim Director, Public Works]

## FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

14. [ORD28841](#) An ordinance reclassifying an approximately seven-acre parcel, located at 4901 South 25th Street, from an R2-STGPD to a C2-STGPD, to allow for the development of 133 senior affordable housing units.  
(DPS LLC; File No. LU22-0155)  
[Jeff H. Capell, Hearing Examiner]

**MOTION: Council Member Blocker moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 41075 and 41076 and final reading of Ordinance No. 28841.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 41075 and 41076 and final reading of Ordinance No. 28841. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 7 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Ushka and Walker  
**Absent:** 2 - Rumbaugh and Mayor Woodards

## PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

15. [22-1330](#) Proclaiming Saturday, December 10, 2022, as Jo Koy Day.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed Saturday, December 10, 2022, as Jo Koy Day and presented the proclamation to Jerrol Anonuevo, Marketing Coordinator, and Tammi Bryant, Deputy Director, Tacoma Venues and Events.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:08 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received six written comments for Public Comment on Resolution No. 41075, regarding setting a hearing date for the vacation of a portion of South Madison Street; and Resolution No. 41076, regarding setting a hearing date for the vacation of a portion of South 50th Street.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Michele Reich, speaking on Resolution No. 41083.

Council Member Rumbaugh arrived here, at 5:09 p.m.

2. Alice Phillips, speaking on Ordinance No. 28862.
3. Heidi Stephens, speaking on Resolution Nos. 41075 and 41076.
4. Les Pogue Jr., speaking on Resolution Nos. 41075 and 41076.
5. Kathy Lawhon, speaking on Resolution Nos. 41075 and 41076.
6. Brett Santhuff, speaking on Resolution No. 41080.
7. April Smith, speaking on Resolution Nos. 41075 and 41076.
8. Michelle Mood, speaking on Resolution Nos. 41075 and 41076.
9. Stacy Oaks, speaking on Resolution Nos. 41075 and 41076.

Public Comment ended at 5:26 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

### APPOINTMENTS

16. [RES41077](#) A resolution appointing individuals to the Board of Ethics.  
[Doris Sorum, City Clerk; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Council Member Blocker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41077.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Ushka and Walker

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Woodards

17. [RES41078](#) A resolution appointing and reappointing individuals to the Landmarks Preservation Commission and the Transportation Commission.  
[Doris Sorum, City Clerk; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Council Member Blocker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41078.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Ushka and Walker

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Woodards

## PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

18.     [RES41079](#)     A resolution awarding a contract to Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma, in the amount of \$750,000, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the American Rescue Plan Fund, for after school care and K-8 enrichment, for an initial contract period from September 6, 2021, through June 30, 2023 - Interagency Contract No. CW2248363.  
[Katie Johnston, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

**MOTION: Council Member Blocker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41079.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Ushka and Walker

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Woodards

## RESOLUTIONS

19.     [RES41080](#)     A resolution designating the Virges Apartments, located at 720 6th Avenue, as a City Landmark and placing said property on the Tacoma Register of Historic Places.  
[Reuben McKnight, Historic Preservation Officer; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

**MOTION: Council Member Blocker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41080.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Ushka and Walker

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Woodards

20. [RES41081](#) A resolution declaring surplus and authorizing the sale of approximately 1.74 acres of Tacoma Power property, located in the Graham - Eatonville vicinity of unincorporated Pierce County, to Amie and Jared Brisson, for the amount of \$13,500.  
[Greg Muller, Real Estate Officer; Chris Robinson, Power Superintendent]

**MOTION: Council Member Blocker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41081.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Ushka and Walker

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Woodards

21. [RES41082](#) A resolution declaring surplus and authorizing the sale of approximately 1.29 acres of Tacoma Power property, located in the Graham - Eatonville vicinity of unincorporated Pierce County, to Eduardo Dominguez and Margarita Calderon, for the amount of \$13,500.  
[Greg Muller, Real Estate Officer; Chris Robinson, Power Superintendent]

**MOTION: Council Member Blocker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41082.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Ushka and Walker

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Woodards

22. [RES41083](#) A resolution adopting the priority issues for the 2023 sessions of the United States Congress and Washington State Legislature.  
[Sonja Hallum, Government Relations Officer; Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager]

**MOTION: Council Member Blocker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41083.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

**MOTION: Council Member Blocker moved to amend Exhibit “A” of Resolution No. 41083, on page 5, “Collaboration with Community Partners,” to add a new bullet at the end of the section, reading as follows:**

**”• State of Washington: The City supports funding for housing assistance for children and families in the state child welfare system, including potential collaborations between the Washington State Department of Children and Family Services and public housing authorities (PHAs) and non-profit housing organizations.”**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Ushka and Walker

**Absent:** 2 - Rumbaugh and Mayor Woodards

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Ushka and Walker

**Absent:** 2 - Rumbaugh and Mayor Woodards

## **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

23. [ORD28860](#) An ordinance modifying the 2021-2022 Biennial Operating Budget to appropriate funds for additional changes in transfers and other budget adjustments, as well as appropriating additional estimated revenues.  
[Katie Johnston, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28860 was set over for final reading next week.**

24. [ORD28861](#) An ordinance modifying the 2021-2022 Capital Budget to appropriate funds, adjust project budgets, implement additional changes in transfers and other budget adjustments, as well as appropriating additional estimated revenues.  
[Katie Johnston, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28861 was set over for final reading next week.**

- 25. [ORD28862](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation for certain represented employees; and to provide for the implementation of a new classification structure, rates of pay, and compensation plan changes for nonrepresented employees and nonrepresented executive employees, based on recommendations included in the classification and compensation study. [Kari L. Louie, Assistant Director; Shelby Fritz, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28862 was set over for final reading next week.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

**REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

There was no report.

**COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Government Performance and Finance Committee

Council Member Hines, Chair of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, reported at the November 15, 2022, meeting, the Committee conducted interviews for the Audit Advisory Board and received a presentation on the City's safety programs; and at today's meeting, the Committee received presentation on the monthly budget update and the Streets Initiative. He concluded by stating the next meeting will be held in a hybrid format on December 20, 2022, at 10:00 a.m., and will include presentations on the cable television franchise agreement between Comcast and the City, and the Bonneville Power Administration's services to Tacoma Power's customers.

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**MOTION: Council Member Blocker moved to excuse Mayor Woodards from the meeting.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Ushka and Walker

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Woodards



**ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

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Doris Sorum, City Clerk