



City of Tacoma

City Council Study Session Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402

Dial: 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 894 9617 1192

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June 04, 2024

11:00 AM

Special Meeting - Change of Time and Location

Call to Order

Mayor Woodards called the study session special meeting to order at 11:08 a.m.

Roll Call

Present: 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

Council Member Diaz participated virtually.

Briefing Items

- [24-0594](#)** Local Employment and Apprenticeship Training Program Update
[Deborah Trevorrow, Workforce Programs Analyst, Community and Economic Development]

At approximately 11:08 a.m., Deborah Trevorrow, Workforce Programs Analyst, Community and Economic Development, presented the Local Employment and Apprenticeship (LEAP) training program update, including an agenda; background; overview, noting types of projects with LEAP requirements and thresholds; advisory committee; program outcomes, noting past and current data; 2024 priorities; proposed code revisions, noting current and proposed penalty structure; and next steps.

Discussion ensued regarding appreciation for staff; number of trainings; LEAP advisory committee members; code revisions, noting Equity in Contracting revisions; and current partners.

Other Items of Interest

- [24-0596](#)** Council Consideration Request - Broadway Broken Window Repairs
[Mayor Woodards]

Mayor Woodards presented a Council Consideration Request (CCR) to allocate \$25,000 of Council Contingency Funds to support broken window replacement for businesses affected along Broadway by an individual wielding a hammer. She concluded by stating this funding would supplement the existing broken windows replacement fund supported by American Rescue Plan Act dollars and support will be targeted for the businesses impacted by this incident and is intended to match dollars raised by the Downtown Tacoma Partnership and impacted businesses.

Discussion ensued regarding appreciation and support; funds, noting amount and distribution; cost of window replacement; and long-term solutions for downtown and small businesses.

3. [24-0597](#) Council Consideration Request - Sponsor Tacoma Youth to Attend Youth Week Convening in Fuzhou, China
[Mayor Woodards]

Mayor Woodards presented a CCR to allocate \$12,500 of Council Contingency Funds to support youth attendance at the Fuzhou Youth Week Convening in late June, noting the city of Fuzhou, China, has been our Sister City for 30 years, and will be hosting a youth week event and invited up to 10 students from Tacoma to participate. She concluded by stating during this youth week, Tacoma students will join approximately 150 students from various parts of the United States, as well as about 160 Chinese students; and the gathering aims to foster international friendship, cultural understanding, and mutual learning among the youth of our two nations.

Discussion ensued regarding excitement for youth and the lifelong friendships they will create.

Committee Reports

There were no committee reports given.

Agenda Review and City Manager's Weekly Report

4. [24-0595](#) Weekly Report to the Mayor and City Council, May 30, 2024
[Melanie Harding, Assistant to the City Manager, City Manager's Office]

Assistant to the City Manager Melanie Harding stated there are three ceremonials on tonight's meeting agenda, proclaiming June 3-7, 2024, as Pothole Palooza Days, proclaiming June 2024 as Ride Transit Month, and proclaiming June 2024 as Gun Violence Awareness Month; and one change is expected to tonight's agenda, to move the presentation from the City Manager

regarding Citywide Systems Transformation to a later date, and tonight's meeting includes community forum.

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Mayor Woodards reminded Council to come prepared for Friday's special meeting to discuss and review materials for the proposed City Charter amendments. Assistant to the City Manager Melanie Harding presented the schedule for the special meetings to continue the conversations, including agenda topics of Charter review, Neighborhood Council, Climate Commission, Planning Commission, and campaign finance. Mayor concluded by mentioning rank-choice voting, form of government, and Council staffing models will also be on the agenda.

Mayor Woodards stated that immediately following adjournment, the City Council will convene to closed session pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(a and b) to discuss labor strategy.

Adjournment

On proper motion, the study session special meeting was adjourned at 11:41 p.m.



Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor



Nicole Emery, City Clerk