



City of Tacoma

City Council Study Session Minutes

733 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 16

January 21, 2014

12:00 PM

Call to Order

Deputy Mayor Woodards called the study session to order at 12:06 p.m.

Present: 8 - Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Lopez, Mello, Thoms, Walker and Woodards

Absent: 1 - Mayor Strickland

Briefing Items

1. **14-0054** Overview of the STAR Project

Deputy Mayor Woodards announced the first study session topic is the Sustainability Tools for Rating and Assessing Communities (STAR) project. Kristin Lynett, City Manager's Office, provided an update on the project, including an overview of the project, why the City participated in the pilot, other pilot communities, the STAR framework, benefits, rating levels, scores, lessons learned, and future planning. Discussion ensued regarding plans for improvement in areas where the City scored low, collaboration efforts, the inclusion of sustainability language in the memorandum used for scoring purchasing contracts, and a communication plan. Council Member Campbell requested additional information regarding City's score relating to the adoption of a policy to encourage diversity in local government appointments, and information relating to food deserts.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Agenda Review

City Manager T.C. Broadnax stated there may be a motion to set over the final reading of Ordinance No. 28200 to a date to be determined.

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 30 minutes.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.

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

Ayes: 8 - Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Lopez, Mello, Thoms, Walker and Woodards

Absent: 1 - Mayor Strickland

Executive Session - Potential Litigation

MOTION: Council Member Boe moved to convene to Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss potential litigation, the session not to exceed 15 minutes.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.

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

Ayes: 8 - Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Lopez, Mello, Thoms, Walker and Woodards

Absent: 1 - Mayor Strickland

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

The Council convened to Closed Session at 12:40 p.m.

The Closed Session was extended for 20 minutes at 1:10 p.m.

The Closed Session concluded and the study session reconvened at 1:30 p.m.

The Council convened to Executive Session at 1:30 p.m. City Attorney Elizabeth Pauli and Chief Deputy City Attorney Bill Fosbre were present.

The Executive Session concluded and the study session reconvened at 1:45 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the study session was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Victoria Woodards, Deputy Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk