



City of Tacoma

City Council Study Session Minutes

733 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402, Conference Room 16
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June 18, 2024
12:00 PM

Change of Location

Call to Order

Mayor Woodards called the study session to order at 12:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 6 - Bushnell, Diaz, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards
Absent: 2 - Daniels and Hines

Council Member Daniels arrived at 12:05 p.m. and Deputy Mayor Hines arrived at 1:04 p.m.

Briefing Items

1. [24-0653](#) Alternative Response Quarterly Update
[Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager; Toryono Green, Fire Chief; Avery Moore, Police Chief; Allyson Griffith, Director, Neighborhood and Community Services]

At approximately 12:01 p.m., City Manager Elizabeth Pauli provided opening remarks regarding the alternative response quarterly update, noting due to the high number of discussion topics on today's agenda the materials will be distributed and available online, but will be presented at a future study session.

Discussion ensued regarding recent drug-related deaths, including the efforts to provide service and aid.

Council Member Daniels arrived here, at 12:05 p.m.

The study session recessed at 12:06 p.m. and reconvened at 12:40 p.m.

2. [24-0654](#) Proposed Charter Amendments Review
[Mayor Woodards]

At approximately 12:40 p.m., Mayor Woodards provided a brief background

on the Council's proposed Charter amendments. City Manager Pauli presented the proposed amendments related to Council term limits, full time Council, Climate Commission, and Planning Commission.

Deputy Mayor Hines arrived here at, 1:04 p.m.

City Manager Pauli continued with proposed amendment related to form of government.

The study session recessed at 2:15 p.m. and reconvened at 2:29 p.m.

Together, Mayor Woodards and City Manager Pauli concluded with proposed amendments related to term limits, disposition of waterfront property, use of the term "citizen", and upcoming topics.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding appreciation; flexibility in language; concerns about committees, boards, and commissions being included in the Charter; proposed carbon budget; potential code amendments; State requirements for the Planning Commission in the Charter, noting cap on membership; strong mayor form of government, including an additional Council Member, mayoral impeachment, implementation, and functionality; impact on the other amendments, including conflicting provisions and contingent ballot; timelines, including ballot submission and new Council Member interviews and appointment; collaboration with Metro Parks and other organizations; definition of park purposes; public access versus open space; current waterfront property utilization; and language cleanup.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Committee Reports

There were no committee reports given.

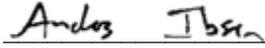
Agenda Review and City Manager's Weekly Report

3. [24-0655](#) Weekly Report to the Mayor and City Council, June 13, 2024
[Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager]

City Manager Elizabeth Pauli stated there are four ceremonials on tonight's meeting agenda, proclaiming Wednesday, June 19, 2024, as Juneteenth, proclaiming Thursday, June 20, 2024, as World Refugee Day, recognizing City Directors, and a presentation on the Vision 2025 Award; and that no changes are expected to tonight's agenda.

Adjournment

On proper motion, the study session was adjourned at 3:08 p.m.



for Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor



Nicole Emery, City Clerk