



Government Performance and Finance Committee Minutes

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Tacoma Municipal Building, Room 248, 747 Market Street, Tacoma, Washington 98402

July 16, 2014

Chair Lonergan called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

Council Committee Members Present: Campbell, Lonergan, and Mayor Strickland.

Council Committee Members Absent: Thoms.

Approval of the minutes of the meeting of July 2, 2014

Council Member Campbell moved to approve the minutes of the July 2, 2014 meeting. Seconded by Mayor Strickland. Voice vote was taken and carried. The minutes were approved.

Franchise Agreement with tw telecom

At approximately 4:36 p.m., Jeff Lueders, City Manager's Office, provided an overview of the proposed franchise agreement with tw telecom, including provider services and industry relationships. He continued to review proposed legislation, City owned right of way, and next steps. Discussion ensued regarding right of way.

Council Member Campbell moved to forward the Telecommunications Franchise Agreement with tw telecom to the full Council for consideration. Seconded by Mayor Strickland. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was approved.

Selection of the Charter Review For and Against Committees

At approximately 4:43 p.m., Doris Sorum, City Clerk, reviewed the process for the selection of Charter Review For and Against Committees, including the timeline, makeup of the committees, and letters of interest received. Discussion ensued regarding the canvassing process, the County Auditor's role, timelines, and letters of interested received.

Mayor Strickland moved to recommend the appointment of Terri Baker, to serve on the For Committee, and Tom Stenger, to serve on the Against Committee for proposed Amendment No. 1 relating to election provisions. Seconded by Council Member Campbell. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was approved.

Mayor Strickland moved to recommend the appointment of Terri Baker, to serve on the For Committee, and Tom Stenger, to serve on the Against Committee for proposed Amendment No. 2 relating to gender neutral language. Seconded by Council Member Campbell. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was approved.

Mayor Strickland moved to recommend the appointment of Terri Baker to serve on the For Committee for proposed Amendment No. 3 relating to anti-discrimination provisions. Seconded by Council Member Campbell. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was approved.

Mayor Strickland moved to recommend the appointment of Tom Stenger to serve on the Against Committee for proposed Amendment No. 4 relating to effective date of emergency ordinances. Seconded by Council Member Campbell. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was approved.

Mayor Strickland moved to recommend the appointment of Terri Baker to serve on the Against Committee for proposed Amendment No. 5 relating to City Council authority to confirm appointment of department heads. Seconded by Council Member Campbell. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was approved.

Mayor Strickland moved to recommend the appointment of Mike Crowley, Dawn Lucien, and Harold Moss to serve on the Against Committee for proposed Amendment No. 6 relating to City Council confirmation of the Director of Utilities. Seconded by Council Member Campbell. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was approved.

Mayor Strickland moved to recommend the appointment of Sharon Winters, to serve on the For Committee, and Terri Baker and Tom Stenger, to serve on the Against Committee for proposed Amendment No. 7 relating to Landmarks Preservation Commission. Seconded by Council Member Campbell. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was approved.

Mayor Strickland moved to recommend the appointment of Sherry Bockwinkel and Tom Stenger to serve on the Against Committee for proposed Amendment No. 8 relating to term limits for Mayor and Council. Seconded by Council Member Campbell. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was approved.

Mayor Strickland moved to recommend the appointment of Sherry Bockwinkel and Tom Stenger to serve on the Against Committee for proposed Amendment No. 9 relating to Citizen Commission on Elected Salaries. Seconded by Council Member Campbell. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was approved.

Mayor Strickland moved to recommend the appointment of Terri Baker, to serve on the For Committee, and Tom Stenger, to serve on the Against Committee for proposed Amendment No. 10 relating to deleting the prohibition of new cemeteries. Seconded by Council Member Campbell. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was approved.

Mayor Strickland stated that no interest letters were received for the For or Against Committee for proposed Amendment No. 11 relating to City employee participation in conservation, environmental, and other programs.

Mayor Strickland moved to recommend the appointment of Terri Baker, to serve on the For Committee, and Anita Latch, to serve on the Against Committee for proposed Amendment No. 12 relating to removing citizenship and City residency requirements of eligibility for City employment. Seconded by Council Member Campbell. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was approved.

Chair Lonergan and this Committee requested staff send a press release seeking additional volunteers to provide for or against statements for the eight committee vacancies. Council Member Campbell requested staff provide a link to the City's charter review webpage in the press release.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

Genesis Gavino, City Manager's Office, stated the meeting of July 30, 2014 is cancelled. She stated the meeting of August 20, 2014 will have a presentation relating to the Shared Work Program and a meeting in October or November will have a presentation on municipal clinics. Discussion ensued regarding information desired by this Committee on municipal clinics, relating to operational costs, taxes, and the use of urgent cares as primary healthcare. Discussion continued regarding franchise agreements, cable company requirements, trenching versus overhead construction, and right of way.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Public Comment

None.

Adjournment

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:23 p.m.



Joe Lonergan, Chair



Nicole Emery, Office Assistant, City Clerk's Office