

# City of Tacoma Government Performance and Finance Committee Minutes

747 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 248

July 01, 2015

4:30 PM

Chair Joe Lonergan, Vice Chair Marty Campbell, Mayor Marilyn Strickland, Robert Thoms, Anders Ibsen (alternate)

### Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:33 p.m.

Present: 4 - Campbell, Lonergan, Strickland and Ibsen

Absent: 1 - Thoms

# **Approval of Minutes**

1. <u>15-0380</u> Approval of the minutes of the meeting of April 15, 2015

MOTION: Council Member Campbell moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of April 15, 2015.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.

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

Ayes: 4 - Campbell, Lonergan, Strickland and Ibsen

Absent: I - Thoms

# **Briefing Items**

2. 15-0679 RockTenn Water Rate Adjustments [Sean Senescall, Water Rates and Financial Planning Manager]

At approximately 4:33 p.m., Sean Senescall, Water, Rates and Financial Planning Manager, presented a memo requesting approval by the City Council of water rate adjustments for the RockTenn pulp and paper mill in support of an extended agreement with RockTenn. Mr. Senescall stated these adjustments would extend effective rates beyond their current July 31, 2015 end date, and

would schedule a rate adjustment of 4.0% on January 1, 2016. Discussion ensued regarding rate adjustments, water usage percentages, water supply given current drought conditions, the existing agreement, climate change, storage of water, and reusing water.

MOTION: Mayor Strickland moved to forward RockTenn water rate adjustments to the full Council for consideration.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.

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

Ayes: 4 - Campbell, Lonergan, Strickland and Ibsen

Absent: 1 - Thoms

## **Topics for Upcoming Meetings**

 July 15 - May Monthly Report, Public Utility Board Interviews, For and Against Committee Selection

Christina Watts, Committee Liaison, stated the next meeting will be on July 15, 2015 and will include the May monthly financial report, interviews for the Public Utility Board, and selection of the "For" and "Against" committees for the 15 Now ballot initiative. Ms. Watts stated that the meeting of July 29, 2015 is tentatively cancelled, and that she anticipates there will be special meetings scheduled to select "For" and "Against" committees for other propositions and initiatives that have been brought forward.

Discussion ensued regarding dates for special meetings, "For" and "Against" Committees, Public Utility Board interviews, and Salary Commission appointments.

### Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

### **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

# Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

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Amanda Punsalan, City Clerk's Office