



# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma, WA 98402

City Council Chambers

January 07, 2014

5:00 PM

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## CALL TO ORDER

City Clerk Doris Sorum called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

## SWEARING-IN CEREMONY FOR THE MAYOR, RE-ELECTED, AND APPOINTED COUNCIL MEMBERS.

City Clerk Doris Sorum welcomed everyone to the first City Council meeting of 2014 and stated the meeting would begin with the swearing in ceremony of the newly appointed and re-elected Council Members, and the newly re-elected Mayor.

Ms. Sorum swore into office Council Member Joe Lopez, representing Council District No. 1, accompanied by his wife Evelyn.

Ms. Sorum then swore into office Council Member Joe Lonergan, representing Council District No. 5, accompanied by his wife Beth, and their two sons, Michael and Carl.

Ms. Sorum then called on the Honorable Stan Rumbaugh, Superior Court Judge, to swear in Council Member Robert Thoms, representing Council District No. 2, accompanied by his wife Beth and their children, William and Charlotte.

Ms. Sorum then called on former Mayor Harold Moss to swear in Council Member Victoria Woodards, representing the At-Large No. 6 position, accompanied by her mother, Valerie Kaluna.

Ms. Sorum then called on the Honorable Frank Cuthbertson, Superior Court Judge, to swear in Council Member Marty Campbell and Mayor Strickland.

Judge Cuthbertson first swore into office Council Member Marty Campbell, representing Council District No. 4, accompanied by his wife Sandy, and their grandchildren Kaylee and Charlie.

Judge Cuthbertson then swore into office Mayor Marilyn Strickland, accompanied by her husband Patrick Erwin.

Ms. Sorum thanked the judges for participating in tonight's swearing in ceremony and turned the meeting over to Mayor Strickland.

Council Members each took an opportunity to thank their families, citizens of their district, and to comment on their service on the City Council.

## **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 9 - Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Lopez, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

## **FLAG SALUTE**

The flag salute was led by Council Member Walker.

## **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**MOTION:** Council Member Woodards moved to convene to a five-minute recess.

**SECONDED BY:** Deputy Mayor Campbell.

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Lopez, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

The City Council took a recess at 5:25 p.m.

The City Council meeting reconvened at 5:30 p.m.

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. 13-0421 Minutes of the City Events and Recognitions Committee, November 25, 2013.
2. 13-0422 Minutes of the City Events and Recognitions Committee, December 9, 2013.
3. 13-0413 Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, October 23, 2013.
4. 13-0414 Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, October 23, 2013.
5. 13-0415 Minutes of the Joint Public Utility Board and Port of Tacoma Commission study session, November 6, 2013.
6. 13-0412 Minutes of the Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority, November 21, 2013.
7. 13-0407 Minutes of the Tacoma Planning Commission, December 4, 2013.
8. 13-0406 Minutes of the Tacoma Public Library Board of Trustees, November 20, 2013.

## CONSENT AGENDA

9. 13-0402 Minutes of the City Council meeting of October 22, 2013.
10. 13-0423 Minutes of the City Council meeting of October 29, 2013.
11. 13-0425 Minutes of the City Council meeting of November 5, 2013.
12. 13-0426 Minutes of the City Council meeting of November 12, 2013.
13. 13-0424 Minutes of the City Council meeting of November 19, 2013.
14. 13-0427 Minutes of the City Council meeting of November 26, 2013.
15. 13-0428 Minutes of the City Council special meeting of December 3, 2013.
16. 13-0429 Minutes of the City Council meeting of December 3, 2013.

- 17. 13-0430 Minutes of the City Council meeting of December 10, 2013.
- 18. 13-0431 Minutes of the City Council special meeting of December 16, 2013.
- 19. 13-0432 Minutes of the City Council meeting of December 17, 2013.
- 20. 13-0434 Minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting of October 1, 2013.
- 21. 13-0435 Minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting of October 15, 2013.
- 22. 13-0436

**RESOLUTIONS**

- 23. RES38815 A resolution approving the final plat for the "Hawks Pointe" project, an 8-lot residential subdivision located at 1418 East 64th Street.  
(Benjamin Ryan Communities; File No. PLT2013-40000203255).  
[Dustin Lawrence, Associate Planner; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Campbell moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 38815.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Lonergan.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 38815, was declared adopted.**

**Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Lopez, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland**

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Campbell moved to suspend the rules to consider an additional resolution, Resolution No. 38818, regarding the sale of Swan Creek Library, under the Regular Agenda after Resolution No. 38817.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Lonergan.**

**Mayor Strickland stated public testimony would be allowed for Resolution No. 38818 during Public Comment.**

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

**Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Lopez, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland**

## **PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no proclamations, recognitions, presentations, or announcements.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment began at 5:32 p.m.

Speaking before Council:

Bill Baarsma, Citizen, 3705 N. Madison Street, speaking on Resolution No. 38812.

Public comment ended at 5:36 p.m.



## REGULAR AGENDA

### APPOINTMENTS

24.    **RES38811**    A resolution electing Council Member Victoria Woodards as Deputy Mayor to serve a one-year term through December 31, 2014.  
                          [Mayor Strickland]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Campbell moved to adopt Resolution No. 38811.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Lonergan.**

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

**Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Lopez, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland**

Mayor Strickland presented the Deputy Mayor plaque to Council Member Campbell and thanked him for his service as Deputy Mayor in 2013.

Mayor Strickland presented the Deputy Mayor name plate to Deputy Mayor Woodards.

25. **RES38812** A resolution appointing the following individuals to the 2014 Charter Review Committee to serve until such time as the final reports and recommendations are made on or prior to May 6, 2014: Bill Baarsma, Chair; Theresa Baker, Gary Brackett, Mabel Edmonds, Tim Farrell, Eric Hahn, Charles Horne, Justin Leighton, Mark Martinez, James Merritt, John Messina, Kenneth Miller, Patricia Talton, Catherine Ushka, and Justin Van Dyk.  
[Mayor Strickland and Council Member Lonergan]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt Resolution No. 38812.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Lonergan.**

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

**Ayes: 9 -** Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Lopez, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

## **PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS**

26. **RES38813** A resolution awarding a contract to Specialized Pavement Marking, Inc., in the amount of \$1,079,974.75, sales tax not applicable, plus a 15 percent contingency, for a cumulative total of \$1,241,970.96, budgeted from the Streets Special Revenue Fund, to improve signage and paint markings at various locations within the City - Specification No. PW13-0520F.  
[Chris Larson, P.E., Engineering Division Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works Department]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt Resolution No. 38813.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes: 9 -** Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Lopez, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

## RESOLUTIONS

27.     **RES38814**     A resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Tacoma-Pierce County Humane Society, in the amount of \$429,450, budgeted from the General Fund, for animal shelter, licensing, and related services through December 31, 2014.  
[Shawn Gustason, Captain; Don Ramsdell, Chief, Tacoma Police Department]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt Resolution No. 38814.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Lopez, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

28.     **RES38816**     A resolution authorizing the execution of a five-year lease agreement with Western Washington Railroad, LLC, in the amount of \$50,000 per year, for rail operations of approximately 20 miles of railroad right-of-way from Maytown in Thurston County to just south of Chehalis in Lewis County.  
[Dylan Harrison, Real Estate Officer; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works Department]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt Resolution No. 38816.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Lopez, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland



- 29. RES38817** A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Custodial and Building Maintenance Unit, which consists of approximately 29 budgeted, full-time positions assigned to General Government and Tacoma Public Utilities, retroactive to January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2015.  
[Mike Brock, Labor Negotiator; Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt Resolution No. 38817.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Lopez, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland**

- 34. RES38818** A resolution authorizing the execution of a Purchase and Sale Agreement and Restrictive Covenant with Advanced Technology Construction in the amount of \$120,000, for the sale of Swan Creek Library, located at 3828 Portland Avenue, for the operation of a licensed construction company business office.  
[Richard Price, Senior Real Estate Officer; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt Resolution No. 38818.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Lopez, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland**

## FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

30. **ORD28196** An ordinance adopting the Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2013-2014 and 2015-2020.  
[Jennifer Kammerzell, Senior Engineer; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28196.**

**The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes: 9 -** Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Lopez, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

## FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

31. **ORD28197** An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation for employees represented by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Custodial and Building Maintenance Unit, which consists of approximately 29 budgeted, full-time positions; Tacoma Firefighters Union, Local 31, which consists of approximately 351 budgeted, full-time positions; and the United Transportation Union, Switch Crew Unit, which consists of approximately 32 budgeted, full-time positions, retroactive to January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014.  
[Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28197 was set over for final reading next week.**

32. **ORD28198** An ordinance amending Chapter 2.02 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Building Code, by reenacting Section 2.02.1000, to be known and designated as "Earthquake Recording Instrumentation."  
[Sue Coffman, Principal Engineer; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28198 was set over for final reading next week.**

33. **ORD28199** An ordinance amending the non-exclusive telecommunications franchise agreement granted to Zayo Group, LLC, by Ordinance No. 28124, dated January 29, 2013, to construct, operate, and repair a telecommunications system throughout the city; clarifying certain provisions, terms and conditions of the franchise, and making such grant apply to both underground and above-ground use of City right-of-way where applicable.  
[Jeff Lueders, Cable Communications and Franchise Services Manager;  
T.C. Broadnax, City Manager, City Manager's Office]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28199 was set over for final reading on January 28, 2014.**

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

### REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

34. **13-0433** Weekly Report to the City Council, January 2, 2014.  
There was no report.

### COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Public Safety, Human Services, and Education Committee

Deputy Mayor Woodards stated the Public Safety, Human Services, and Education Committee has met once since the last report and at that meeting on December 12, 2013, the Committee heard an update from the Tacoma Police Department on their recently received reaccreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, which is valid for the next three years. She stated the Tacoma Police Department also reviewed the proposed agreement with the Tacoma-Pierce County Humane Society which was approved this evening by Resolution No. 38814. Finally, she stated the Committee also heard an update from the Tacoma Fire Department on their Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan, which was approved by the Council at the December 17, 2013 meeting. She stated the next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 9, 2014, and agenda topics include the Committee's 2013 Year-End Report, committee work planning, and interviews for the Human Rights Commission and the Human Services Commission.

Council Member Boe commented on the duties of the Deputy Mayor position.

Council Member Campbell stated there will be a community meeting tomorrow evening regarding the Eastside Community Center at 6:30 p.m. at the Portland Avenue Center.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.



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Marilyn Strickland, Mayor



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Doris Sorum, City Clerk