



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

1500 North Warner Street, Tacoma, WA 98416

City Council Chambers

November 08, 2016

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Strickland called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms and Mayor Strickland

Absent: 2 - McCarthy and Woodards

Council Members McCarthy and Woodards arrived at 5:05 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Council Member Campbell.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [16-1067](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, September 28, 2016.
2. [16-1068](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, September 28, 2016.
3. [16-1069](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board special meeting, October 5, 2016.
4. [16-1009](#) Tacoma Public Utilities 2017-2018 Preliminary Biennial Budget.

CONSENT AGENDA

There were no Consent Agenda items.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:05 p.m.

Council Members McCarthy and Woodards arrived here, at 5:05 p.m.

No one came forward to address the City Council.

Public Comment ended at 5:06 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS

5. [RES39578](#) A resolution stating a finding of substantial need, and authorizing an increase to the 2017 Ad Valorem property tax revenue collection for the General Fund property tax levy and Emergency Medical Services levy to 1 percent, as the implicit price deflator is less than 1 percent.
[Tadd Wille, Director, Management and Budget]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 39578.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Woodards.

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

Ayes: 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

6. [ORD28385](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation for the classifications of Integration Developer, and Human Resources Analyst, Assistant, and Specialist.
[Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28385.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

7. [ORD28386](#) An ordinance fixing the amount of the Ad Valorem tax levies necessary to identify the amount of the estimated revenues from property tax levies to match estimated expenditures for debt service and other funding requirements.
[Tadd Wille, Director, Management and Budget]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28386 was set over for final reading next week.

8. [ORD28387](#) An ordinance authorizing an increase for the 2017 general property tax revenue collection in terms of both dollars and percentage.
[Tadd Wille, Director, Management and Budget]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28387 was set over for final reading next week.

9. [ORD28388](#) An ordinance fixing the amount of the Emergency Medical Services levy necessary to identify the amount of the estimated revenues from the property tax levy to match estimated expenditures for debt service and other funding requirements.
[Tadd Wille, Director, Management and Budget]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28388 was set over for final reading next week.

10. [ORD28389](#) An ordinance authorizing an increase for the 2017 Emergency Medical Services property tax levy in terms of both dollars and percentage.
[Tadd Wille, Director, Management and Budget]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28389 was set over for final reading next week.

11. [ORD28390](#) An ordinance granting a non-exclusive franchise to MCImetro Access Transmission Services Corp., d/b/a Verizon Access Transmission Services, to construct, operate, and maintain a telecommunications system in the City.
[Jeff Lueders, Cable Communications and Franchise Services Manager;
Gwen Schuler, Director, Media and Communications]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28390 was set over for final reading on November 29, 2016.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager T.C. Broadnax stated on November 9, 2016, there will be a design charrette and a public open house on the Puyallup Avenue Corridor Project, held at the LaQuinta Inn & Conference Center, noting the project is meant to enhance the experience along the corridor for pedestrians, cyclists, drivers and transit riders. He then reported the Tacoma Police Department was awarded its second reaccreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA), and the department has been accredited since 2010. He noted this is a great accomplishment as only a small percentage of law enforcement organizations are accredited nationally.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Community Vitality and Safety Committee

Council Member Woodards, Chair of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, stated on October 13, 2016, the Committee was briefed on 2017-2018 human services sustained contracts and on October 17, 2016, held a special meeting to conduct interviews for the Hilltop Community Engagement Group. Finally, she stated on October 27, 2016 the Committee was briefed on the 2017-2018 human services funding recommendations as approved by the Human Services Commission, which included a combination of Mental Health Substance Use Disorder Funds and general funds for a total investment of \$7.1 million. Chair Woodards stated the next meeting will be December 8, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. to conduct interviews for positions on the Human Rights Commission and the Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities.

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The City Council meeting was recessed at 5:23 p.m.

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS

12. [16-1030](#) This is the date set for the second public hearing by the City Council on the proposed 2017-2018 Biennial Budget.

To view the proposed 2017-2018 Biennial Budget go to
<<http://www.cityoftacoma.org/budget>>
[Tadd Wille, Director, Management and Budget]

The public hearing began at 5:30 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Dean Burke, 4822 North 15th Street.
2. Bennish Brown, 1516 Commerce Street.
3. Mary Grant, 622 Tacoma Avenue South, Suite 3.
4. Christopher Elfrank, 622 Tacoma Avenue South, Suite 3.
5. Alison Baur, 1302 North 6th Street, #6.
6. Lowell Wyse, 307 South 29th Street.

The public hearing ended at 5:45 p.m.

13. [16-1031](#) This is the date set for the second public hearing by the City Council on the proposed 2017-2018 Capital Budget and 2017-2022 Capital Facilities Program.
[Tadd Wille, Director, Management and Budget]

The public hearing began at 5:45 p.m.

No one came forward to address the City Council.

The public hearing ended at 5:46 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:46 p.m.

Marilyn Strickland, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk