



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

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February 01, 2022

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Blocker, Bushnell, Hines, McCarthy, Rumbaugh, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 2 - Daniels and Walker

Council Member Daniels arrived at 5:04 p.m.

All Council Members participated virtually.

FLAG SALUTE

Council Member Hines stated that we gratefully honor and acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language.

The flag salute was led by Council Member Hines.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

In honor of those who have lost their lives to or have been impacted by COVID-19 and systemic racism.

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Council Member Daniels arrived here, at 5:04 p.m.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [22-0130](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, July 27, 2021.
2. [22-0131](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, August 10, 2021.
3. [22-0132](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, August 24, 2021.

4. [22-0133](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, August 31, 2021.
5. [22-0134](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, September 28, 2021.
6. [22-0117](#) Minutes of the Greater Tacoma Regional Convention Center Public Facilities District Board, October 28, 2021.
7. [22-0141](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee special meeting, July 21, 2021.
8. [22-0142](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, July 28, 2021.
9. [22-0144](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, August 11, 2021.
10. [22-0148](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee special meeting, August 18, 2021.
11. [22-0146](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, August 25, 2021.
12. [22-0071](#) Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission special joint meeting, October 11, 2021.
13. [22-0072](#) Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission meeting, October 13, 2021.
14. [22-0120](#) Minutes of the Planning Commission, December 15, 2021.
15. [22-0136](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board special meeting, January 12, 2022.
16. [22-0129](#) Community's Police Advisory Committee Annual Report, 2021

CONSENT AGENDA

17. [22-0087](#) Minutes of the joint City Council and Public Utility Board study session, October 5, 2021.
18. [22-0116](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, October 12, 2021.
19. [22-0084](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, October 19, 2021.

- 20. [22-0121](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, November 2, 2021.
- 21. [22-0122](#) Minutes of the joint City Council and Public Utility Board study session, November 9, 2021.
- 22. [22-0118](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, November 2, 2021.
- 23. [22-0119](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, November 9, 2021.
- 24. [22-0135](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, November 16, 2021.
- 25. [22-0151](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, November 23, 2021.
- 26. [22-0153](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, November 30, 2021.
- 27. [22-0152](#) Minutes of the Virtual Forum, November 23, 2021.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ushka moved to adopt the Consent Agenda.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.

Ayes: 8 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, McCarthy, Rumbaugh, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Walker

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 28. [22-0137](#) Proclaiming Friday, February 4, 2022, as Transit Equity Day.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed Friday, February 4, 2022, as Transit Equity Day and presented the proclamation to Laura Svancarek, Commute Trip Reduction and Advocacy Coordinator, Downtown on the Go.
- 29. [22-0138](#) Proclaiming February 2022 as Career and Technical Education Month.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed February 2022 as Career and Technical Education Month and presented the proclamation to Adam Kulaas, Director of Career and Technical Education, Tacoma Public Schools.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:14 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received no written comment for Public Comment.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Kathy Lawhon, speaking on Resolution No. 40910.

Public Comment ended at 5:17 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

30. [22-0140](#) A motion may be considered to concur with the January 26, 2022, recommendation of the Public Utility Board, and to authorize the City's full and final settlement of all property damage claims against the City by Lonnese Taylor, Claim No. W-093-21, relating to a leaking water meter, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$49,528.30.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ushka moved to concur with the January 26, 2022, recommendation of the Public Utility Board, and to authorize the City's full and final settlement of all property damage claims against the City by Lonnese Taylor, Claim No. W-093-21, relating to a leaking water meter, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$49,528.30.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 8 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, McCarthy, Rumbaugh, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Walker

RESOLUTIONS

31. [RES40909](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing 12-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Fordson LLC, for the development of 30 multi-family market-rate and affordable rental housing units, located at 3639 South “G” Street, in the Lincoln Mixed-Use Center. [Debbie Bingham, Project Manager; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ushka moved to adopt Resolution No. 40909.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 8 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, McCarthy, Rumbaugh, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Walker

32. [RES40910](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing 12-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Front Door Holdings, LLC, for the development of four multi-family market-rate and affordable rental housing units, located at 2514 Tacoma Avenue South, in the Downtown Regional Growth Center. [Debbie Bingham, Project Manager; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ushka moved to adopt Resolution No. 40910.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 8 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, McCarthy, Rumbaugh, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Walker

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

- 33. [ORD28802](#) 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 Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail, and Transportation Workers - Transportation Division, Local 1977, Yardmasters; and the Teamsters Local Union No. 117, Tacoma Venues and Events Unit. [Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28802.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 8 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, McCarthy, Rumbaugh, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Walker

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

There was no report.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Government Performance and Finance Committee

Council Member Hines, Chair of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, reported at the January 18, 2022, meeting, the Committee elected the Chair and Vice Chair; and at today's meeting, the Committee conducted interviews for the Public Utility Board, and received presentations on the monthly budget update, Environmental Service's (ES) issuance of bonds, and the Washington State Auditor's exit conference for the 2018 and 2019 Transportation Benefit District. He conclude by stating the next meeting will be held on February 15, 2022, at 10:00 a.m., through Zoom, and will include presentations on the Rainier Connect contract, and return to in-person meetings.

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Council Member Bushnell acknowledged the Lunar New Year, the year of the tiger.

Mayor Woodards provided information on the Summer Jobs 253 program and the partnership with Tacoma Public Schools, noting every student who graduates from high school has an opportunity to obtain an industry

recognized certification preparing them for high demand careers after graduation; some of the certifications are embedded in classrooms, including food handlers cards, life guarding, Microsoft Office Professional, Adobe, and automotive; every summer the program offers a certification program in ES, plumbing, pipe fitting, merchant mariner, and Certified Nursing Assistants; during the summer of 2021, the program connected 150 additional students with meaningful paid community service positions where students earned \$1,000 for completing financial literacy training and 40 hours of community service with an organization in their neighborhood; these positions benefit the community service organizations by helping attract volunteers; 2022 marks the ten year anniversary of the program; and the program will be expanding to be year round, to work towards a shared goal of connecting every high school senior with a meaningful work experience before graduating.

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MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ushka moved to excuse Council Member Walker from the meeting.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 8 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, McCarthy, Rumbaugh, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Walker

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk