



# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

**June 16, 2015**

**5:00 PM**

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## CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Strickland called the meeting to order at 5:08 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** 6 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Walker and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 3 - Mello, Thoms and Woodards

Council Member Woodards arrived at 5:14 p.m.

## FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Council Member Walker.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [15-0602](#) Minutes of the Planning Commission, May 20, 2015.
2. [15-0624](#) Corrected Monthly Financial Report for Tacoma Water, April 2015.

## CONSENT AGENDA

## RESOLUTIONS

3. [RES39212](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement with the Metropolitan Park District; accepting and depositing \$3,000,000 into the Surface Water Fund, for the reimbursement of costs associated with the excavation of soil for the Point Defiance Trail Phase I project to be completed in conjunction with the City's construction of the Regional Stormwater Treatment Facility in Point Defiance Park.  
[Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Science and Engineering Division Manager;

Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 39212.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 39212, was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 6 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Walker and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 3 - Mello, Thoms and Woodards

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

4. [15-0632](#) Presentation of the Governor's Award for cost-saving measures relating to Environmental Services.

Representative Fey presented the Governor's Award to Mike Slevin, Environmental Services Director.

Council Member Woodards arrived here, at 5:14 p.m.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public Comment began at 5:15 p.m.

1. Theresa Power-Drutis, New Connections, speaking on Resolution No. 39218.
2. Megan Capes, New Connections, speaking on Resolution No. 39218.

Public Comment ended at 5:20 p.m.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS**

5. [RES39213](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Ceccanti, Inc., in the amount of \$4,638,912.00, plus a 20 percent contingency, for a cumulative total of \$5,566,694.40, excluding sales tax, budgeted from the Surface Water Fund, for the construction of a regional stormwater facility including stormwater pipe, replacement of existing undersized stormwater outfall, and excavation of soil within Point Defiance Park - Specification No. ES15-0216F.  
[Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Science and Engineering Division Manager;  
Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39213.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 2 - Mello and Thoms

6. [RES39214](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Western Peterbilt, LLC, in the amount of \$2,045,592, plus sales tax, budgeted from the Solid Waste Fund, for eight Compressed Natural Gas Low Forward Cab Roll-Off trucks, for an initial one-year period, with the option to renew for two additional one-year periods to purchase two trucks in 2017-2018, for a projected contract total of \$2,582,560 - Specification No. ES15-0010F.  
[Gary Kato, Solid Waste Division Manager; Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39214.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 2 - Mello and Thoms

## RESOLUTIONS

7. [RES39215](#) A resolution authorizing and ratifying the execution of a letter agreement with the City of Fife to extend the jail services agreement to June 30, 2015 and increase the service rates.  
[Mark Lauzier, Assistant City Manager; T.C. Broadnax, City Manager]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39215.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 2 - Mello and Thoms

8. [RES39216](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with Pierce County to provide jail services for the City of Tacoma effective July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2020.  
[Mark Lauzier, Assistant City Manager; T.C. Broadnax, City Manager]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39216.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 2 - Mello and Thoms

9. [RES39217](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Nisqually Tribe for jail and prisoner transportation services for the City of Tacoma effective July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017, with the option to renew for three one-year periods.  
[Mark Lauzier, Assistant City Manager; T.C. Broadnax, City Manager]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39217.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 2 - Mello and Thoms

10. [RES39218](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a short-term emergency agreement with the South Correctional Entity (SCORE) to provide jail services for the City of Tacoma effective July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015.  
[Mark Lauzier, Assistant City Manager; T.C. Broadnax, City Manager]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39218.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 2 - Mello and Thoms

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS**

12. [15-0440](#) Nigel S. Malden representing the appellant Matthew Austin appealing the recommendation of the Hearing Examiner regarding the Assessment Roll for Local Improvement District No. 8648 for the placement of permanent pavement with curbs and necessary storm drainage on South 69th Street, from Durango Street to South Madison Street, and on South Proctor Street, from South 69th Street north approximately 225 feet.  
[Jeff Capell, Deputy City Attorney; Elizabeth Pauli, City Attorney]

The appeal began at 5:52 p.m.

Mayor Strickland stated it is the Council's intention that this hearing be fair in form and substance, as well as in appearance, and asked any Council Members who have a personal interest in this matter, have made statements that might be interpreted to suggest they have prejudged this matter, or have had any ex parte communications with the parties regarding this case, to disclose that interest at this time. Council Member Lonergan disclosed email communication that included the appellant.

Council Member Ibsen recused himself from the appeal.

Mayor Strickland called on Mr. Nigel S. Malden, representing the appellant Matthew Austin.

Mayor Strickland then called on Deputy City Attorney Jeff Capell, representing the City of Tacoma.

Mayor Strickland opened the appeal for questions from the City Council.

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to convene to Closed Session to discuss the matter for 15 minutes.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Woodards.**

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

**Ayes:** 6 - Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 2 - Mello and Thoms

**Recused:** 1 - Ibsen

The Council convened to Closed Session at 6:31 p.m. City Attorney Elizabeth Pauli was present.

The Closed Session ended at 6:44 p.m.

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendation of the Hearing Examiner and deny the appeal.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 6 - Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 2 - Mello and Thoms

**Recused:** 1 - Ibsen

11.     [RES39219](#)     A resolution authorizing the use of \$50,000 from the Council Contingency Funds for a competitive process to award funding for programs and projects that educate the public about the rich history and heritage of the City of Tacoma.  
[Council Member Walker]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39219.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 6 - Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 3 - Ibsen, Mello and Thoms

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

**REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

City Manager T.C. Broadnax announced the City and the University of Washington Tacoma are being recognized by the Governor’s Office for the significant progress made in developing the Prairie Line Trail, noting the project is a winner of the 2015 Governor’s Smart Communities Award in the Smart Partnerships category. He then reported the Fitch Rating has upgraded its outlook for Tacoma bonds from stable to positive.

**COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Government Performance and Finance Committee

Council Member Lonergan, Chair of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, stated the Committee has met twice since the last report and during those meetings heard a presentation on proposed Click! rate increases and had a joint Audit Advisory Board meeting on the audit exit interview on the City utilities audit and an entrance conference from the State Auditor’s Office to describe the 2014 audit process. He stated the next meeting will be June 17, 2015 and will include the April monthly financial report, proposed amendments to Title 6 of the Municipal Code, and 2004 revenue bond refunding.

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Deputy Mayor Boe invited everyone to attend a walking tour at noon tomorrow as part of Downtown on the Go’s Wednesday Walks series, noting the walk will focus on mid-century and late 20th century buildings in Tacoma.

Council Member Lonergan stated this Saturday, June 20, 2015, the Park Avenue, Alling, and East Wapato neighborhoods will have a community cleanup at St. Ann’s Church, at 7015 South Park Avenue.

Council Member Campbell stated the Dometop and First Creek neighborhoods also have a scheduled cleanup at the Tacoma Dome parking lot. He then stated the Eastside Farmers Market will open tomorrow at East 44th and Portland Avenue.

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**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to excuse Council Members Mello and Thoms from the meeting tonight.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 6 - Boe, Campbell, Lonergan, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 3 - Ibsen, Mello and Thoms

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

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Marilyn Strickland, Mayor

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Doris Sorum, City Clerk