



City of Tacoma

City Council Study Session Minutes

733 Market Street, Tacoma WA 98402

Conference Room 16

October 20, 2015

12:00 PM

JOINT MEETING WITH THE TACOMA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Call to Order

Deputy Mayor Boe called the joint study session to order at 12:04 p.m.

Present: 8 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker and Woodards

Absent: 1 - Mayor Strickland

Mayor Strickland arrived at 12:46 p.m.

Tacoma Public Library Board of Trustees Present: 4 - Irish, Wallace, Williams and Connelly

Tacoma Public Library Board of Trustees Absent: 0 - None

Joint City Council/Tacoma Public Library Board Briefing Item

1. [15-1117](#) Tacoma Public Library Updates

At approximately 12:05 p.m., Susan Odencrantz, Director, Tacoma Public Library (TPL), provided background information regarding the Pathway Program, and introduced Sarah Holloway, TPL, and Merilee Tanbara, Tacoma Public Schools (TPS). Ms. Holloway and Ms. Tanbara provided information relative to the Pathway Program.

Ms. Odencrantz then introduced Beverly Choltco-Devlin, TPL, and Jeannette Twitty, House of Matthew. Ms. Choltco-Devlin and Ms. Twitty provided an overview of the Homeward Bound Program.

Ms. Odencrantz continued the presentation by introducing Kelda Vath and Tracie Goodrick, TPL. Ms. Vath and Ms. Goodrick reviewed upcoming changes to the Tacoma Public Library website, www.tacomalibrary.org.

Mayor Strickland arrived here, at 12:46 p.m.

Ms. Odenrantz introduced Christine Bassett, TPL. Ms. Bassett provided a brief background relative to Radio-Frequency Identification (RFID) technology and reviewed the RFID library system, including completed phase one, and upcoming phases two and three.

Discussion ensued throughout the presentation regarding archives in the Northwest Room, the percentage of libraries that use RFID technology, budget, support of using RFID technology, number of citizens in the Homeward Bound Program, expanding the Homeward Bound Program, and increased utilization of libraries.

City Council Briefing Items

2. [15-1118](#) Tax Amnesty Program

At approximately 1:30 p.m., Danielle Larson, Tax and License Division Manager, provided an overview of the Tax Amnesty Program, including goals, communication, results and post amnesty plan. Discussion ensued regarding use of a third party vendor to pursue unlicensed businesses, and support for the Tax Amnesty Program.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Committee Reports

There were no Committee reports.

Agenda Review and City Manager's Weekly Report

3. [15-1119](#) Weekly Report to the City Council, October 15, 2015

At approximately 1:40 p.m., T.C. Broadnax, City Manager, stated there is one proclamation on tonight's agenda, proclaiming October 20, 2015 as Student Government Day. He also stated that the Disability Advocate of the Year Awards would be presented.

Executive Session - Pending and Potential Litigation

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to convene to Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss pending and potential litigation, not to exceed 20 minutes.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

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

The Council convened to Executive Session at 1:45 p.m. City Attorney Elizabeth Pauli, Chief Deputy City Attorney Bill Fosbre, and Deputy City Attorney Debra Casparian were present.

The Executive Session concluded and the study session reconvened at 2:05 p.m.

Adjournment

On proper motion, the study session was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Marilyn Strickland, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk