



# City Council Minutes

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City Council Chambers, 747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma, Washington 98402

August 27, 2013 – 5:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 5:06 p.m.

Council Members Present: 8 – Boe, Campbell, Ibsen (participated telephonically), Lonergan, Mello, Walker, Woodards, and Mayor Strickland.

Council Members Absent: 1 – Thoms (arrived at 5:09 p.m.)

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member Woodards.

Moment of Silence.

## **ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK**

- a. Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, July 17, 2013; and special meeting, July 30, 2013.
- b. Minutes of the Human Rights Commission, July 18, 2013.
- c. Minutes of the Neighborhoods and Housing Committee, August 5, 2013.
- d. Minutes of the Public Safety, Human Services, and Education Committee, July 25, 2013.
- e. Minutes of the Public Utility Board, July 10, 2013.
- f. Minutes of the Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority, July 11, 2013.
- g. Minutes of the Tacoma Planning Commission, August 7, 2013.
- h. Monthly Financial Reports for Wastewater and Surface Water Management, and Theaters, July 2013.

## **C O N S E N T   A G E N D A**

Approval of the minutes of the City Council business meetings of July 23 and 30, 2013, and August 6, 2013; and Committee of the Whole meetings of June 4 and 18, 2013.

Deputy Mayor Campbell moved to adopt the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Council Member Woodards. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.

**PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS, PRESENTATIONS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Presentation from the College Success Foundation Leadership 1000 Scholarship students.

Mayor Strickland called on Mr. Steve Smith, Director of the College Success Foundation Mr. Smith gave an update on the program including the number of low-income students, who have benefitted from the scholarships, and are attending colleges in the area. He then had the students with him introduce themselves.

<b>Name</b>	<b>School Graduated From</b>	<b>College Attending</b>
Anna Nguyen	Mount Tahoma High School	University of Washington
Tiffany Dang	Mount Tahoma High School	University of Washington
Regina Shaw	Woodrow Wilson High School	University of Washington
Alejandra Lopez	Mount Tahoma High School	Western Washington University

Council Member Thoms arrived here, at 5:09 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

This is the time set aside for public comment on items on the agenda. Speakers are asked to identify the specific agenda items they wish to address and comments will be limited to up to five minutes per person. Comments will not be accepted on Ordinances or Communication Items forwarded to the City Council by the Hearing Examiner for which a public hearing has already been held. There are no items on tonight’s agenda forwarded to the City Council by the Hearing Examiner.

Public comment began at 5:11 p.m.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Address/Affiliation</b>	<b>Subject</b>
Chuck Johnson	Resident	Ordinance No. 28169

Public comment ended at 5:12 p.m.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **APPOINTMENTS**

#### **Resolution No. 38723**

Appointing individuals to serve on the City Events and Recognitions Committee.

Deputy Mayor Campbell moved to adopt Resolution No. 38723. Seconded by Council Member Lonergan. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.

### **FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES**

#### **Ordinance No. 28167**

Amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Leave-Based Contribution Plan, to provide eligible employees an opportunity to voluntarily contribute the cash value of accrued vacation and/or personal time off to the United Way of Pierce County.

Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28167, resulting as follows:

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

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

#### **Ordinance No. 28168**

Amending Chapter 12.08 of the Municipal Code, relating to stormwater and surface water systems, to authorize the Environmental Services Director to establish a pilot program to offer and evaluate the use of rebate payments to eligible customers, in an amount up to \$2,000, who construct and/or maintain City-owned low-impact development rain gardens and bioretention facilities through December 31, 2014.

Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28168, resulting as follows:

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

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

## **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

### **Ordinance No. 28169**

Amending Chapters 8.28 and 8.29 of the Municipal Code, relating to narcotics and drug paraphernalia, to add language relating to the public use and display of marijuana and medical cannabis, and revising the definition of drug paraphernalia to be consistent with state law.

Ordinance No. 28169 was set over for final reading on September 10, 2013.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Deputy Mayor Campbell inquired on the timing of the mid-biennium budget adjustments. City Manager T.C. Broadnax stated the discussion regarding the mid-biennium budget adjustments would be in December.

## **REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

No report was given.

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

### Government Performance and Finance Committee

Council Member Lonergan stated the Government Performance and Finance Committee has met three times since the last report. He stated the Committee approved the Telecommunication Franchise Agreement with Electric Lightwave LLC. He then stated that the Committee held a special meeting to select members of the “for” and “against” committees for City of Tacoma Proposition No. 1 ballot item. Council Member Lonergan stated the Committee was briefed on the SAP System Strategic Assessment, conducted interviews for the Board Ethics and heard the May monthly budget report. He noted the next meeting will be held on September 4, 2013, and will include an update on budget actuals through July.

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Council Member Woodards announced the Tacoma Urban League, in conjunction with other organizations, is sponsoring a free community event which will feature a symbolic march, film and panel discussion, as well as activities for kids of all ages, in honor of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the March on Washington. She encouraged everyone to participate in the event, stating it will begin in Tollefson Plaza at 5:30 p.m. with a march to the Washington State History Museum for the other events.

Council Member Walker announced that Community Health Care is having a fundraising event and luau in People’s Park on Saturday, September 7, 2013, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., to support the new clinic on Earnest S. Brazill Street and Martin Luther King Jr. Way. She stated tickets for this event can be purchased through Community Health Care.

Council Member Ibsen announced the next Facts and Information Session regarding City of Tacoma's Proposition No. 1 will be held at Wheelock Library on Wednesday, September 4, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. in the Proctor District. He also stated the Pierce County Labor Council's picnic will be held at Ft. Steilacoom Park at 9200 Steilacoom Blvd Southwest, on Labor Day.

Council Member Boe announced the Stadium Fair Saturday, August 30, 2013, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the parking lot of the First Presbyterian Church, located at 20 Tacoma Avenue South. He then thanked the Maritime Fest for a great event this past weekend.

Deputy Mayor Campbell announced a parade in East Tacoma on Friday, August 30, 2013 from 10:45 a.m. through 12:00 noon, on Portland Avenue from 44<sup>th</sup> Street to 56<sup>th</sup> Street, to celebrate the return to the school year for the children.

Mayor Strickland stated that there will be no City Council study session, business meeting or Committee of the Whole next week.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

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MARILYN STRICKLAND, MAYOR

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
DORIS SORUM, CITY CLERK