



# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma WA 98402, Council Chambers  
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**April 05, 2022**  
**5:00 PM**

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## CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** 8 - Blocker, Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, Rumbaugh, Ushka, Walker  
and Mayor Woodards  
**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

Deputy Mayor Ushka 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

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [22-0389](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Arts Commission, January 10, 2022.
2. [22-0388](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Arts Commission, February 14, 2022.

## CONSENT AGENDA

There were no Consent Agenda items.

## PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ushka moved to suspend the rules to add a proclamation to tonight’s agenda as Item 3A, proclaiming April 4-10, 2022, as National Public Health Week.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.**

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

3. [22-0403](#) Proclaiming April 2022 as Fair Housing Month.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed April 2022 as National Fair Housing Month, presented the proclamation to Andreta Armstrong, Human Rights Manager, Office of Equity and Human Rights, and recognized James Fisher, Jasmyn Jefferson, Ann Jones, and Maia Rice.

- 3A. [22-0417](#) Proclaiming April 4-10, 2022, as National Public Health Week.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed April 4-10, 2022, as National Public Health Week and presented the proclamation to Dr. Anthony Chen, Director of Health, Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:24 p.m.

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

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Heidi Stevens, speaking on Resolution No. 40942 and the National Fair Housing Month proclamation.
2. Les Pogue Jr., speaking on the National Fair Housing Month and National Public Health Week proclamations.
3. Kathy Lawhon, speaking on Resolution No. 40942.

Public Comment ended at 5:32 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

4. [22-0402](#) A motion may be considered to concur with the March 23, 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 \$61,993.05, which is an increase of \$12,464.75 over the settlement amount of \$49,528.30, which was approved by the Public Utility Board on January 26, 2022, and by the City Council on February 1, 2022.

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**SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.**

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

## RESOLUTIONS

5. [RES40942](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing Eight-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Buddy Investments, LLC, for the development of six multi-family market-rate rental housing units, located at 3820 North 26th Street, in the Proctor Mixed-Use Center. [Debbie Bingham, Project Manager; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ushka moved to adopt Resolution No. 40942.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.**

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

## REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Elizabeth Pauli announced that the City was granted an award of \$2,500,000 from the Puget Sound Regional Council for construction of the "J" Street bicycle boulevard, which is one of five projects that received funding. She further announced that Kurtis Kingsolver, Public Works Director, has accepted the appointment of Interim Deputy City Manager; Jeff Jenkins will serve as Interim Public Works Director; and Josh Diekmann will serve as Interim Assistant Public Works Director and City Engineer.

## 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 that at today's meeting, the Committee received presentations on the monthly budget update, Tacoma Power's long-range financial plan, and proposed changes to the Tacoma Municipal Code for utility disconnection and reconnection fees. He concluded by stating the next meeting will be held on April 19, 2022, at 10:00 a.m., through Zoom, and will include presentations on the State Auditor's Office 2020 audit exit and 2021 entrance conference, and on the Digital Equity Program.

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Council Member Hines reminded everyone that Litter Free 253 is on Saturday, April 16, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., at various locations in Tacoma, and that the South Sound Sustainability Expo will also be on the same day at the University of Washington-Tacoma; and expressed appreciation for Andrea Applegate and the 6th Avenue Starbucks partners for organizing a clean up held on 6th Avenue and Pearl Street around the Scott Pierson Trail. He concluded by announcing that Library Giving Day is on Wednesday, April 6, 2022, and encouraged everyone to make tax deductible donations to the Tacoma Public Library Foundation.

Mayor Woodards reminded everyone that the 89th Annual Daffodil Parade is on Saturday, April 9, 2022, at 10:15 a.m., on Pacific Avenue.

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**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ushka moved to excuse Council Member McCarthy 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, Rumbaugh, Ushka, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

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Doris Sorum, City Clerk