



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

September 12, 2017

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Strickland called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Council Member Campbell.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [17-0876](#) Minutes of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, April 27, 2017.
2. [17-0882](#) Minutes of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, May 25, 2017.
3. [17-0902](#) Minutes of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, June 8, 2017.
4. [17-0904](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, August 16, 2017.
5. [17-0894](#) Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, July 26, 2017.
6. [17-0915](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Arts Commission, August 14, 2017.

CONSENT AGENDA

7. [17-0907](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, August 15, 2017.
8. [17-0912](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, August 22, 2017.
9. [17-0913](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, August 29, 2017.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

10. [ORD28436](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 13.06 of the Municipal Code, relating to Zoning, to reclassify two adjacent parcels of property, located at 3925 and 3931 South Tyler Street, from an R-2SRD Residential Special Review District and R-3 Two-Family Dwelling District to an R-4-L Low-Density Multiple-Family Dwelling District, to allow for the development of a multi-family apartment complex containing approximately 46 units and 72 associated parking stalls.
(Contour Engineering, LLC/Michael Musica; File No. LU16-0288)
[Jeff H. Capell, Hearing Examiner]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including final reading of Ordinance No. 28436.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including final reading of Ordinance No. 28436. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

11. [17-0911](#) Proclaiming September 11-15, 2017 as Closing the Hunger Gap Week.

Mayor Strickland proclaimed September 11 through 15, 2017 as Closing the Hunger Gap Week and presented the proclamation to Ms. Helen McGovern Pilant, Director of the Emergency Food Network, and Ms. Eu-wanda Eagans, Chief Operations Officer of Northwest Harvest.

- 12. [17-0914](#) Proclaiming September 15-October 15, 2017 as Hispanic Heritage Month.

Mayor Strickland proclaimed September 15 through October 15, 2017 as Hispanic Heritage Month and presented the proclamation to Mr. Efrain Lopez, Latinx Unidos of the South Sound.

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Mayor Strickland announced the 2017 Tacoma Reads book is "Hunger" by Roxane Gay.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:19 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

- 1. Star Murray, speaking on Hispanic Heritage Month.
- 2. Liesl Santkuy, 4302 North 32nd Street, speaking on Hispanic Heritage Month proclamation.

Public Comment ended at 5:24 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

APPOINTMENTS

- 13. [RES39803](#) A resolution appointing and reappointing individuals to the Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities.
[Doris Sorum, City Clerk; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39803.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

- Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland
- Absent:** 1 - Campbell

14. [RES39804](#) A resolution appointing individuals to the Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority Board.
[Doris Sorum, City Clerk; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39804.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

Recused: 1 - McCarthy

PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

15. [RES39805](#) A resolution awarding a contract to StoneShare Inc., in an amount up to \$900,000, plus applicable sales tax, budgeted from the Information Systems Fund, for the pilot implementation of an electronic records management system, through December 31, 2018 - Direct Negotiation.
[Sanjay Chopra, Information Technology Manager; Jack Kelanic, Director, Information Technology]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39805.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

16. [RES39806](#) A resolution authorizing an increase to the contract with The Stergion Group, Inc., in the amount of \$299,079, plus applicable sales tax, budgeted from the Information Systems Fund, for a total of \$485,655, for continued technical project management services, through December 31, 2018 - Specification No. PS14-0295F. [Michelle Lewis-Hodges, Information Technology Manager; Jack Kelanic, Director, Information Technology]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39806.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

RESOLUTIONS

17. [RES39807](#) A resolution declaring surplus and authorizing the sale and conveyance of approximately .30 acres of property, located at the southwest corner of 51st Street Northeast and Caledonia Road Northeast, in unincorporated Pierce County, to Jeff and Mary Norton, for the amount of \$160,000. [Greg Muller, Real Estate Officer; Chris McMeen, Deputy Water Superintendent]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39807.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

18. **RES39808** A resolution declaring surplus and authorizing the execution of a Quit Claim Deed to convey approximately .21 acres of property, located at 2100 Taylor Way, to DCT Blair Logistics Center, LLC, for the amount of \$81,000.
[Troy Stevens, Senior Real Estate Specialist; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39808.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

19. **RES39809** A resolution authorizing the execution of a lease agreement for property located at 5407 South Tacoma Way, to Larry and Kay Childers, d.b.a. Northwest Impressions, in the amount of \$1,875 per month, plus utilities, for an initial one-year term, with the option to renew for two additional 24-month periods.
[Pamela Duncan, Community Services Division Manager; Linda Stewart, Interim Director, Neighborhood and Community Services]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39809.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

20. [RES39810](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Supervisors' Unit, consisting of approximately 13 budgeted, full-time equivalent positions, retroactive to January 1, 2017, through December 31, 2020.
[Kari Louie, Benefits Manager; Gary Buchanan, Director, Human Resources]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39810.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

21. [ORD28451](#) 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 Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Supervisors' Unit.
[Kari Louie, Benefits Manager; Gary Buchanan, Director, Human Resources]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28451 was set over for final reading next week.

22. [ORD28452](#) An ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of limited tax general obligation bonds, in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$35,000,000, to finance various capital improvements and acquisitions; to construct, improve, rehabilitate, and equip public infrastructure, including the Tacoma Dome and other facilities; to pay costs of issuing the bonds; and delegating the authority to approve the final terms of the bonds.
[Teresa Sedmak, City Treasurer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28452 was set over for final reading next week.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

CITIZENS' FORUM

Citizens' Forum began at 5:40 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Star Murray, speaking on legal defense fund.
2. Rosemary Powers, New Connections, speaking on homelessness.
3. Theresa Power-Drutis, New Connections, speaking on homefulness.
4. Dakota Case, Water Warriors, speaking on liquefied natural gas.
5. Darren Moore, Native Daily Network, speaking on liquefied natural gas.
6. Benita Moore, Native Daily Network, speaking on liquefied natural gas.
7. Pamela Calalakem Bond, Tribe FWE office coordinator, speaking on liquefied natural gas.
8. Paul Wagner, Coast Salish, speaking on liquefied natural gas.
9. Kyle Jolibois, Redefine, speaking on liquefied natural gas.
10. Marilyn Kimmerling, TDC/Redefine, speaking on liquefied natural gas.
11. Stacy Oaks, concerned citizen, speaking on liquefied natural gas.
12. Bard Luippold, Tacoma, citizen, speaking on legal defense fund.
13. Deane Gordly, Spanaway 98387, speaking on legal defense fund for undocumented children.
14. Valerie Stegemoeller, Tacoma 98407, speaking on legal defense fund.
15. Norma Ramirez, Tacoma 98406, speaking on legal defense fund.
16. Luis Garcia, Tacoma, speaking on legal defense fund.
17. Chris Paredes, Tacoma, speaking on legal defense fund.
18. Hally Bert, Downtown on the Go, speaking on Go Downtown to Defiance and walk and bike.
19. Amanda Deshazo, Immigrant and Refugee Task Force, speaking on legal defense fund.
20. Alexis Rouse, Indivisible Tacoma, speaking on legal defense fund.
21. David Bluhm, 98406, speaking on liquefied natural gas/fracked gas.
22. Nikie Walters, resident, speaking on liquefied natural gas and U.S. oil.
23. R. Lovering, resident, speaking on liquefied natural gas.
24. Neal Rogers, resident, speaking on homelessness.
25. Tracy Wiegman, resident, speaking on liquefied natural gas.
26. Kathy Hewitt, resident, speaking on liquefied natural gas interim regulations.
27. Melissa Hubbard, resident, speaking on liquefied natural gas interim regulations.
28. Victoria Leistman, Sierra Club, speaking on liquefied natural gas.
29. Monique LeTourneau, speaking on legal defense fund.
30. Liesl Santkuy, 4302 North 32nd Street, speaking on immigrant and refugee task force.
31. Alton McDonald, New Century Justice Network/Tacoma tax payer, speaking on police/streets and liquefied natural gas.

32. Wendy Pantoja, resident, speaking on immigration.
33. Kathy Lawhon, 1114 South 11th Street, water protector, speaking on liquefied natural gas and legal defense fund.
34. Margie McCoy, Tacoma/Gig Harbor, speaking on liquefied natural gas.
35. Carrie Bridgeford, speaking on water.
36. Carolyn Deford, resident, Puyallup Tribe, speaking on liquefied natural gas/water.
37. Vanna Sing, Tacoma Healing Awareness Community, speaking on legal defense fund and liquefied natural gas.
38. Camila Maturana, Northwest Immigrant Rights Project, speaking on hispanic affairs.
39. Mary Morrison, 1535 North Steele Street #6, speaking on liquefied natural gas.
40. Lua Pritchard, Asia Pacific Cultural Center and Pierce County Asian Pacific Islander Coalition, speaking on legal defense fund.

Citizens' Forum ended at 7:36 p.m.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

There was no report.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Government Performance and Finance Committee (continued from the August 29, 2017 meeting)

Council Member Lonergan, Chair of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, stated on August 16, 2017, the Committee conducted interviews for the Board of Ethics and recommended the appointment of Katie Baird. He reported on August 30, 2017, the Committee heard a request from Workforce Central for the City to extend a \$250,000 line of credit, and heard presentations from staff on a Verizon Wireless telecom franchise agreement and on the Tacoma Information Management System, known as TIMS. He concluded by stating the meeting scheduled for September 20, 2017, has been cancelled.

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.



Marilyn Strickland, Mayor



Doris Sorum, City Clerk