



# City of Tacoma City Council Study Session Minutes

733 Market Street, Tacoma WA 98402

Conference Room 16

July 17, 2018

12:00 PM

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## Call to Order

Mayor Woodards called the study session to order at 12:12 p.m.

**Present:** 8 - Beale, Blocker, Camarata, Hunter, Ibsen, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

## Briefing Items

1. [18-0800](#) Tacoma Housing Authority Children's Savings Account Program

At approximately 12:13 p.m., Michael Mirra, Executive Director, Tacoma Housing Authority (THA), introduced Andrea Levere, President, Prosperity Now, and made opening remarks. Ms. Levere provided background information on Prosperity Now and the creation of the Children's Savings Account Program, and stated current statistics in the program and the ability to build core success metrics into it. She further described the program, including the foundation, key design factors, and partnerships. Ms. Levere described how to achieve sustainability and impact, and concluded by reviewing the Prosperity Now Scorecard data for Tacoma and Pierce County.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding lender barriers. Discussion continued on the mechanics of the Tacoma program model, resources available outside of the program for children to learn the value of saving, if the savings accounts are protected, the approximate amount of students already signed up for the program, and if it is an opt-in or opt-out program. Discussion concluded on if the program is used by credit rating agencies.

## Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

## Committee Reports

There were no Committee reports given.

## Agenda Review and City Manager's Weekly Report

2. [18-0755](#) Weekly Report to the City Council, July 12, 2018

City Manager Pauli stated at tonight's meeting there is a presentation of the Patriot Award to Rae Bailey, John Gaddis, Matt Fengler, and Kimi Nakano, Public Works, and one proclamation, proclaiming July 28, through August 4, 2018 as the Celebration of the Canoe Journey Week. There is one expected change to tonight's agenda, moving Resolution No. 40066, regarding the funding of the Paddle to Puyallup Canoe Journey and placement of the Puyallup Nation flag in the City Council Chambers, to consider the resolution after the proclamation on the Celebration of the Canoe Journey Week.

## Executive Session - City Manager's Performance Review

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to convene to Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g), to review the performance of the City Manager, not to exceed 30 minutes.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Beale, Blocker, Camarata, Hunter, Ibsen, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

The Council convened to Executive Session at 1:11 p.m.

The Executive Session concluded and the study session reconvened at 1:41 p.m.

## **Adjournment**

On proper motion, the study session was adjourned at 1:41 p.m.

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

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Doris Sorum, City Clerk