



# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

**July 30, 2019**

**5:00 PM**

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## **CALL TO ORDER**

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

## **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka  
and Mayor Woodards

Council Member Thoms participated telephonically.

## **FLAG SALUTE**

The flag salute was led by Council Member Hunter.

## **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

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

1. [19-0775](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee special meeting, July 10, 2019.
2. [19-0756](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, June 26, 2019.
3. [19-0779](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, June 26, 2019.
4. [19-0780](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, June 26, 2019.
5. [19-0777](#) Pierce Transit Development Plan: 2019-2024.

## CONSENT AGENDA

6. [19-0783](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, June 4, 2019.
7. [19-0717](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, May 14, 2019.
8. [19-0739](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, May 21, 2019.

## RESOLUTIONS

9. [RES40381](#) A resolution setting Tuesday, August 20, 2019, at approximately 5:15 p.m., as the date for a public hearing by the City Council on the 2019 Annual Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Regulatory Code, as recommended by the Planning Commission.  
[Brian Boudet, Planning Division Manager; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]
10. [RES40382](#) A resolution accepting 13 grants from the Washington State Department of Transportation, Puget Sound Regional Council, the Highway Safety Improvement Program, and Washington Traffic Safety Commission, in the total amount of \$9,248,997, accepting and depositing said sum into various Capital Project funds, to fund various Public Works projects including rehabilitating roadways, pedestrian and bicycle facilities, trails, bikeways, and pedestrian railroad crossings.  
[Chris E. Larson, P.E., Engineering Division Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 40381 and 40382.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 40381 and 40382. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards**

## PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

11. [19-0790](#) Presentation of the Smart Housing Strategies Award for the Affordable Housing Action Strategy.

Mr. Ike Nwankwo, Western Washington Regional Manager, and Ms. Anne Fritzel, Senior Planner, Department of Commerce, presented the Smart Housing Strategies Award for the Affordable Housing Action Strategy to the City.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:18 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Paul Chromey, 6826 South "D" Street, speaking on Resolution No. 40387.
2. Amanda Frame, AARP Washington, speaking on Resolution No. 40387.
3. Steven Thorndill, AARP, speaking on Resolution No. 40387.
4. Gerrit Nyland, Catholic Community Services, speaking on Resolution No. 40388.

Public Comment ended at 5:27 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

12. [19-0781](#) A motion may be considered to concur with the July 24, 2019, 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 Farmers Insurance Exchange as Subrogee of Dimension Town Homes, Claim No. W-030-18, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$161,478.51.

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to concur with the July 24, 2019, 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 Farmers Insurance Exchange as Subrogee of Dimension Town Homes, Claim No. W-030-18, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$161,478.51.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

## PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

13. [RES40383](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Active Construction Inc., in the amount of \$1,148,153.36, plus applicable taxes, plus a 20 percent contingency, for a total of \$1,377,784.03, budgeted from the Surface Water Fund, to remove accumulated sediments, vegetation, and debris from the south cell of the Hosmer Holding Basin - Specification No. ES19-0103F. [Steve Hoffman, Project Manager; Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40383.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

14. [RES40384](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Intermountain Slurry Seal Inc., in the amount of \$484,616.35, plus applicable taxes, plus a 20 percent contingency, for a total of \$581,539.62, budgeted from the Streets Initiative Fund, for asphalt pavement surface treatments at various locations throughout the City - City of Vancouver Contract No. C-100067.  
[Erik Sloan, Management Analyst; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40384.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

15. [RES40385](#) A resolution authorizing an increase to the contract with American Custodial Inc., in the amount of \$158,367.12, plus applicable taxes, for a total of \$300,000.00, budgeted from the Municipal Building Acquisition and Operation Fund, for janitorial services at the Tacoma Police Department Substations, Marine Security Operations Center, and Harrison Firing Range - Specification No. PW15-0602F.  
[Jeff Paradee, P.E., Operations and Maintenance Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40385.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

## RESOLUTIONS

16. [RES40386](#) A resolution authorizing the use of up to \$15,000 of City Council Contingency Funds for working with the University of Washington Tacoma (UWT) to purchase air sensors, create a two-year pilot program to educate and engage the public in air quality monitoring, and to provide consultation regarding optimal locations for pollution detection; and directing the City Manager to negotiate and execute an agreement with UWT outlining the scope of work and deliverables.

[James Parvey, Environmental Policy and Sustainability Division Manager;  
Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt  
Resolution No. 40386.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka  
and Mayor Woodards

17. [RES40387](#) A resolution expressing the City Council's commitment to making the City a more age-friendly city under the criteria set forth by the World Health Organization and the AARP Network of Age-Friendly States and Communities; and directing the City Manager to take the steps necessary for that designation.

[Council Member Hunter]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt  
Resolution No. 40387.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka  
and Mayor Woodards

18. [RES40388](#) A resolution stating the City’s intent to authorize the maximum capacity of the tax authorized under the provisions of Substitute House Bill 1406 for affordable and supportive housing.  
[Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40388.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

## **FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES**

19. [ORD28599](#) (First and Final Reading) An ordinance amending Chapter 6A.70 of the Municipal Code, relating to Local Option Taxes, by adding Section 6A.70.047 entitled “Credit against state’s share of tax - sales or use tax for affordable housing - Imposition” and Section 6A.70.048 entitled “Credit against state’s share of tax - sales or use tax for affordable housing - Rate” to authorize the maximum capacity of the tax authorized under the provisions of Substitute House Bill 1406 for affordable and supportive housing; and declaring an emergency, making necessary the passage of this ordinance and it becoming effective immediately.  
[Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28599. The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

## **REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

There was no report.

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

Community Vitality and Safety Committee


Council Member Blocker, Chair of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, reported at the July 11, 2019 meeting, the Committee received a presentation on a proposed ordinance for closed captioning in public spaces; and at the July 25, 2019 meeting, the Committee received presentations on the homelessness program, mental health and substance use disorder funding, and the Northwest Detention Center. He stated the next meeting will be held on August 8, 2019, and will include interviews for the Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities and a Rental Housing Code update.

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Mayor Woodards recognized Randy Lewis, Government Relations Officer, for his 28 years of service with the City, noting he will be retiring tomorrow.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:01 p.m.

  
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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

  
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Doris Sorum, City Clerk