



City of Tacoma Government Performance and Finance Committee Minutes

747 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 248

December 17, 2014

4:30 PM

Chair Joe Lonergan, Vice Chair Marty Campbell,
Mayor Marilyn Strickland, Robert Thoms, Anders Ibsen (alternate)

Call To Order

Chair Lonergan called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

Present: 4 - Campbell, Lonergan, Strickland and Thoms

Approval of Minutes

1. 14-1276 Approval of the minutes of the meeting of December 3, 2014
MOTION: Council Member Campbell moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of December 3, 2014.

SECONDED BY: Mayor Strickland.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The minutes were approved.

Ayes: 4 - Campbell, Lonergan, Strickland and Thoms

Briefing Items

2. 14-1277 City Charter Amendment Next Steps [Elizabeth Pauli, City Attorney]
At approximately 4:32 p.m., Elizabeth Pauli, City Attorney, stated voters passed ten of the twelve ballot measures transmitted by the Council for the Special Municipal Election of November 2014 to amend the City Charter in which six will be implemented by updating the Charter, and four will need Council action for implementation. She then reviewed the four amendments that will need further Council action which relate to Council authority to confirm the appointment of department heads, confirmation and reappointment of the Director of Utilities, adding requirements for the Landmarks Preservation Commission, and the mayoral appointments for the

Citizen Commission on Elected Salaries.

Bryan Flint, Public Utility Board, reviewed the Board's current process for annually evaluating the Director of Utilities. Discussion ensued throughout regarding the intent of confirming appointments, the evaluation process by the Public Utility Board, creation of an Executive Committee, vetting language to reflect accountability in the Charter through Study Session or Committee of the Whole, and the Pierce County Auditor's lot process. Council Member Campbell requested staff determine if the Auditor charges for their lot process services, and if they review whether the candidates have any conflict of interests with the City. Discussion continued regarding the Citizen Commission on Elected Salaries, including the lot process, Council district representation, timeframe for Commission selection, the Commission's scope of work and jurisdiction to change compensation, and the ordinance process.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

- 3. 14-1278 December 31 - Cancelled
Christina Watts, City Manager's Office, stated the meeting of January 7, 2015 will be a joint meeting with the Audit Advisory Board; January 22, 2015 will be cancelled; and the end of year Committee report will be reviewed in February.

Other Items of Interest

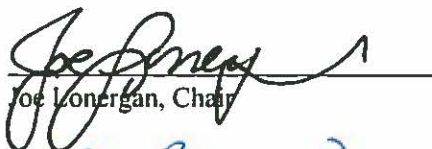
There were no other items of interest.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Adjournment

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:43 p.m.



Joe Lonergan, Chair



Nicole Emery, City Clerk's Office