



# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

**December 03, 2019**

**5:00 PM**

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## CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

## FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Council Member Ushka.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

In honor of Former Mayor Mike Parker.

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [19-1338](#) Minutes of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, October 24, 2019.
2. [19-1347](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, November 5, 2019.
3. [19-1326](#) Minutes of the Human Services Commission, October 9, 2019.
4. [19-1358](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, September 4, 2019.
5. [19-1359](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, September 18, 2019.
6. [19-1360](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, October 2, 2019.
7. [19-1361](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, October 16, 2019.

8. [19-1255](#) Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, August 14, 2019.
9. [19-1256](#) Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, August 28, 2019.
10. [19-1244](#) Amended minutes of the Planning Commission, August 7, 2019.
11. [19-1245](#) Minutes of the Planning Commission, August 21, 2019.
12. [19-1246](#) Minutes of the Planning Commission, September 18, 2019.
13. [19-1345](#) List of names and comments of community members regarding the South End Neighborhood.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

14. [19-1339](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, October 29, 2019.
15. [19-1340](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, November 5, 2019.

## **APPEALS**

16. [19-1346](#) Greg and Nadine Duras, appealing the Hearing Examiner's Revised Recommendation of the formation of proposed Local Improvement District No. 7731.

Setting Tuesday, December 10, 2019, at approximately 1:30 p.m., as the date for the appeal by the City Council at the study session.

## RESOLUTIONS

17.     [RES40489](#)     A resolution setting Thursday, January 16, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on the request to vacate the air rights of the north 5.66 feet of South 15th Street, abutting the parcel known as 1351 Fawcett Avenue, to extend air rights from 16.5 feet above the existing grade at the Southwest corner of another point 73.5 feet directly above, and extend 16.5 feet above the existing grade at the Southeast corner to another point 91.2 feet directly above, to facilitate future development. (1351 Fawcett, LLC; File No. 124.1401)  
[Troy Stevens, Senior Real Estate Specialist; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

## FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

18.     [ORD28606](#)     An ordinance reclassifying the property bounded by South 19th, South Proctor, South Madison, and South Durango Streets, from a C-1 General Neighborhood Commercial District and a T Transitional District to a R-4-L Low-Density Multiple-Family Dwelling District, to develop the Tacoma Behavioral Hospital. (Tacoma Life Properties, LLC; File No. LU18-0301)  
[Jeff H. Capell, Hearing Examiner]

**MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to continue Ordinance No. 28606 to the meeting of December 17, 2019.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

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**MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 40489 and continuing Ordinance No. 28606 to the meeting of December 17, 2019.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 40489 and continuing Ordinance No. 28606 to the meeting of December 17, 2019. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

**PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 19. [19-1385](#) Presentation of the Aspiring Leader Award.

Gary Buchanan, Human Resources Director, presented the Aspiring Leader Award to Ms. Tosha Siebert, Relay Shop Supervisor.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public Comment began at 5:10 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Tanya Durand, 1501 Pacific Avenue, speaking on Ordinance No. 28626.
2. Lua Pritchard, Asia Pacific Cultural Center, speaking on Ordinance No. 28626.
3. Kimberly Keith, Hilltop Artists, speaking on Ordinance No. 28626.
4. Megan Capes, Tacoma Tenants Organizing Committee and Tacoma Democratic Socialists of America, speaking on Ordinance No. 28636.
5. Illyana Zeski, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28636.

Public Comment ended at 5:23 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

20. [19-1350](#) A motion may be considered to authorize the City’s full and final settlement of all personal injury claims against the City in the matter of Cindy Zatkovich v. City of Tacoma, University Street Properties, LLC, Pierce County Superior Court Cause No. 18-2-07202-1, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$75,000.

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**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

## RESOLUTIONS

21. [RES40490](#) A resolution amending Resolution No. 37631, relating to the Sustainable Tacoma Commission, to increase the number of members from 11 to 13.  
[Deputy Mayor McCarthy and Council Members Beale, Ibsen, and Mello]

**MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40490.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

22. [RES40491](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an amendment to the Receipt Service Agreement with Puget Sound Energy, Inc., to clarify and modify gas quality testing program requirements for siloxane compounds found in bio-methane from wastewater treatment plants.

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

**MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to adopt  
Resolution No. 40491.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

23. [RES40492](#) A resolution adopting the 2019 Urban Forest Management Plan which consolidates and clarifies existing City goals and policies, establishes prioritized strategies and actions for improving urban forest management, and establishes targets to assess progress annually.

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

**MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to adopt  
Resolution No. 40492.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, Mello, Ushka and Mayor  
Woodards

**Absent:** 2 - McCarthy and Thoms

24. [RES40493](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement and Letters of Agreement with the Professional and Technical Employees, Local 17, retroactive to January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2022.  
[Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40493.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

25. [RES40494](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement and Letters of Understanding with the Teamsters Local Union No. 117, General Unit, retroactive to January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2022.  
[Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40494.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

26. [RES40495](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with District Lodge No. 160, on behalf of Local Lodge No. 282 of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, Wastewater Treatment Plant Maintenance Supervisors' Unit, consisting of three budgeted full-time equivalent positions, effective January 1, 2020, through December 31, 2023. [Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40495.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

27. [RES40496](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with District Lodge No. 160, on behalf of Local Lodge No. 297 of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, Local 160, General Unit, consisting of 93 budgeted full-time equivalent positions, effective January 1, 2020, through December 31, 2023. [Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40496.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy



28. [RES40497](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement and a Memorandum of Understanding with District Lodge No. 160, on behalf of Local Lodge No. 297 of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, Yard Clerk Unit, consisting of five budgeted full-time equivalent positions, effective January 1, 2020, through December 31, 2023. [Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40497.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

29. [RES40498](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Understanding with the Tacoma Police Union, Local 6, I.U.P.A., to replace Article 3 - Union Membership and Dues with new language from state law. [Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40498.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

## FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

30. [ORD28626](#) An ordinance amending Title 1 of the Municipal Code, relating to Administration and Personnel, by adding a new Chapter 1.55, entitled “Tacoma Creates”, for the implementation of a cultural access program, and establishing an advisory board. [Amy McBride, Arts Administrator; Kim Bedier, Director, Tacoma Venues and Events]

**MOTION: Council Member Beale moved as a substitute, Substitute Ordinance No. 28626.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Substitute Ordinance No. 28626. The Substitute Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

31. [ORD28635](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation for represented and non-represented employees, and changes in classifications to reflect the organizational structure. [Kari Louie, Senior Compensation and Benefits Manager; Gary Buchanan, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28635. The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

32. [ORD28636](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 13.06 of the Municipal Code, relating to Zoning, by amending Section 13.06.635, entitled “Temporary Use”, to update geographic location and square footage requirements for temporary shelter sites.  
[Erica Azcueta, Homelessness and Household Stability Program Manager;  
Linda Stewart, Director, Neighborhood and Community Services]

**MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved as a substitute,  
Substitute Ordinance No. 28636.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Substitute Ordinance No. 28636.  
The Substitute Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

33. [ORD28638](#) (First and Final Reading) An ordinance providing for the issuance of Local Improvement District (LID) No. 8645 Bonds, Series 2019, in an approximate amount not to exceed \$4,695,721.92, to finance and/or reimburse the City for costs of certain improvements in LID No. 8645 (commonly referred to as the Broadway LID), and delegating the authority to approve the final terms of the bonds.  
[Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

**MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to amend Ordinance No. 28638 on Page 8, line 18, to strike “of 4,695,721.92” and insert “set forth in the Bond Purchase Contract” and on Page 28, lines 5-6, to strike the words “five days after its passage, approval, and publication”.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Amended Ordinance No. 28638.**

**The Amended Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

## FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

34. [ORD28639](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation for represented employees, and changes in classifications to reflect the organizational structure. [Kari Louie, Senior Compensation and Benefits Manager; Gary Buchanan, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28639 was set over for final reading next week.**

35. [ORD28640](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 2.02 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Building Code, by adding a new Section 2.02.136 entitled “Amendment to IBC Chapter 4 - by deletion and replacement of the WA State amendment Section 427 - Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure,” to incorporate new provisions that merge Land Use and Building Codes related to electric vehicle charging infrastructure and readiness and coincides with the State of Washington’s adoption of changes to state building codes. [Kristi Lynett, Sustainability Officer; Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28640 was set over for final reading next week.**

36. [ORD28641](#) An ordinance amending Chapters 11.05 and 11.55 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Model Traffic Ordinance and Heavy Haul Industrial Corridor, to revise City regulations applicable to street traffic. [Brennan Kidd, P.E., Principal Engineer; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28641 was set over for final reading next week.**

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS**

37. [19-1349](#) This is the date set for a public hearing by the City Council on the proposed amendments to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development projects.  
[Daniel Murillo, Housing Division Manager; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

The public hearing began at 6:12 p.m.

No one came forward to address the City Council.

The public hearing ended at 6:14 p.m.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

## **REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Elizabeth Pauli provided information regarding Tacoma Police Department hiring efforts.

## **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 November 14, 2019 meeting, the Committee held interviews for the Citizen Police Advisory Committee and heard presentations on the Chronic Nuisance Code implementation, the Code Compliance Pilot project, and the Co-Responder Program. He concluded by stating the next meeting will be held on December 12, 2019 in Conference Room 248 of the Tacoma Municipal Building, at 4:30 p.m., and will include presentations on community engagement and Project Peace.

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**MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to excuse Deputy Mayor McCarthy from the meeting.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.**

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

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

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

**ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

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Doris Sorum, City Clerk