



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

3628 South 35th Street, Ground Floor, Tacoma WA 98409

Auditorium

September 20, 2016

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Strickland called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - Blocker, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Woodards
and Mayor Strickland

Absent: 1 - Campbell

Council Member Campbell arrived at 5:07 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Council Member Woodards.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [16-0877](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, August 9, 2016.
2. [16-0866](#) Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, July 27, 2016.
3. [16-0883](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, August 10, 2016.
4. [16-0884](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, August 10, 2016.

CONSENT AGENDA

5. [16-0823](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, August 9, 2016.
6. [16-0824](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, August 16, 2016.

RESOLUTIONS

7. [RES39539](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Agreement with the Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma regarding maintenance and service levels of the parks and funding.
[Mark Lauzier, Assistant City Manager; T.C. Broadnax, City Manager]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Mello moved to adopt the Consent Agenda.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Woodards.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.

Ayes: 8 - Blocker, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

Absent: 1 - Campbell

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

8. [16-0885](#) Proclaiming Saturday, October 1, 2016 as Arbor Day and Green Tacoma Day.

Mayor Strickland proclaimed October 1, 2016, as Arbor Day and Green Tacoma Day in the City and presented a proclamation to Mr. Mike Carey, Urban Forest Program Manager; Mr. Matt Mega, Forterra Green Cities South Sound Project Manager; and Ms. Mary Anderson, Metro Parks Tacoma Natural Resources Coordinator.

9. [16-0879](#) Recognizing the 125th anniversary of St. Joseph Medical Center.

Mayor Strickland recognized St. Joseph Medical Center's 125th anniversary, and presented a recognition to Ms. Syd Bersante, CHI Franciscan Health.

Council Member Campbell arrived here, at 5:07 p.m.

10. [16-0878](#) Recognizing Dr. James G. Billingsley for forty-nine years of service as the Medical Director of the Tacoma Fire Department.

Mayor Strickland recognized Dr. Billingsley for forty-nine years of service, and presented a recognition to Dr. Billingsley and Fire Chief Duggan.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:25 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Robert Hill, citizen, speaking on Resolution No. 39543.
2. Kristina Walker, Downtown On the Go, speaking on Resolution No. 39543.
3. Pastor Anthony Steele, citizen, speaking on Resolution No. 39543.
4. Alton McDonald, New Century Justice Network, speaking on Resolution No. 39543.
5. Toney Montgomery, citizen, speaking on Resolution No. 39543.
6. Ivanova Smith, citizen, speaking on Resolution No. 39543.

Public Comment ended at 5:50 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

11. [16-0888](#)

A motion may be considered to authorize the City's full and final settlement of all claims against the City in the matter of Marjorie Robinson, Alicia Harvey, Nathan Robinson, Simone Harvey-Foote v. Jason Haskins; David O'Dea; City of Tacoma, Pierce County Superior Court Cause No. 15-2-04891-6, upon payment by the City of \$707,000, as follows:

- Marjorie Robinson, in the amount of \$250,000;
- Nathan Robinson, in the amount of \$57,500;
- Alicia Harvey, in the amount of \$349,500; and
- Simone Harvey-Foote, in the amount of \$50,000.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Mello moved to authorize the City's full and final settlement of all claims against the City in the matter of Marjorie Robinson, Alicia Harvey, Nathan Robinson, Simone Harvey-Foote v. Jason Haskins; David O'Dea; City of Tacoma, Pierce County Superior Court Cause No. 15-2-04891-6, upon payment by the City of \$707,000, as follows:

- **Marjorie Robinson, in the amount of \$250,000;**
- **Nathan Robinson, in the amount of \$57,500;**
- **Alicia Harvey, in the amount of \$349,500; and**
- **Simone Harvey-Foote, in the amount of \$50,000.**

SECONDED BY: Council Member Woodards.

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

Ayes: 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

Absent: 1 - Thoms

PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

12. [RES39540](#) A resolution authorizing an increase to the contract with WebQA, Inc., in the amount of \$78,980.40, including sales tax, for a total of \$259,603.40, budgeted from the Information Systems Fund, for the continued operation of the TacomaFIRST 311 platform through November 30, 2018 - Specification No. CM11-0328F.
[Sanjay Chopra, Information Technology Manager; Jack Kelanic, Director, Information Technology]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 39540.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Woodards.

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

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

RESOLUTIONS

13. [RES39541](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement with the Tacoma Fire Fighters Union, Local 31.
[Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 39541.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Woodards.

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

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

14. [RES39542](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Court Clerks Unit, which consists of approximately 27 budgeted full-time equivalent positions, retroactive to January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2018. [Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 39542.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Woodards.

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

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

15. [RES39543](#) A resolution expressing support for the passage of Proposition No. 1 for the expansion of mass transit in King, Pierce, and Snohomish Counties, submitted by the Sound Transit Board for the November 8, 2016, General Election, which reads as follows:

**Proposition No. 1
Sound Transit (A Regional Transit Authority)
Special Election - Proposition No. 1 - Light-Rail, Commuter-Rail, and
Bus Service Expansion**

The Sound Transit Board passed Resolution No. R2016-17 concerning expansion of mass transit in King, Pierce, and Snohomish counties. This measure would expand light-rail, commuter-rail, and bus rapid transit service to connect population and growth centers, and authorize Sound Transit to levy or impose: an additional 0.5% sales and use tax; a property tax of \$0.25 or less per \$1,000 of assessed valuation; an additional 0.8% motor-vehicle excise tax; and use existing taxes to fund the local share of the \$53.8 billion estimated cost (including inflation), with continuing independent audits, as described in the Mass Transit Guide and Resolution No. R2016-17. Should this measure be:

- Approved
- Rejected

[Deputy Mayor Mello]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 39543.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Woodards.

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

Ayes: 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

Abstain: 1 - Lonergan

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

16. [ORD28378](#) 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, Court Clerks Unit, and Tacoma Police Union, Local 6, I.U.P.A. [Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28378 was set over for final reading next week.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS

17. [16-0757](#) This is the date set for a public hearing on the surplus and proposed sale of approximately 1.52 acres of property, located at 560 State Route 410 in Enumclaw, to George and Mary Roach for the amount of \$325,000. [Gloria Fletcher, Senior Real Estate Officer; Linda McCrea, Water Superintendent]

The public hearing began at 5:50 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Patrick Lipscomb, 613 Myrtine Street, Enumclaw.

The public hearing ended at 5:52 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager T.C. Broadnax reported that the Media and Communications Office won three Savvy Awards from the City-Council Communications and Marketing Association for the Gun SafeT social media campaign, Gun SafeT music video, and EnviroTalk series. City Manager Broadnax also reported that the City is in the process of conducting its first Community Technology Survey and it is currently available to all Tacoma residents at tacomatechsurvey.com.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Government Performance and Finance Committee

Council Member Lonergan, Chair of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, stated that at the August 3, 2016 meeting, the Committee heard presentations relative to standards for marijuana licensing, an update on the Fiscal Sustainability Task Force, and the City’s equity and empowerment policies. He reported that at the meeting of August 17, 2016, the Committee heard presentations on the worksite clinic evaluation study and an update on the What Works Cities Initiative from the Tacoma 2025 program. Council Member Lonergan concluded that at the September 7, 2016 meeting, the Committee heard presentations on the 2nd quarter 2016 budget initiative tracker and 24/7 performance management reports, and rate revenue projections from Environmental Services.

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Council Member Ibsen provided information on upcoming Metro Parks town hall meetings regarding Point Defiance and Titlow Beach.

Council Member Blocker provided information on an upcoming event by the Police Department to view data relative to officer-involved shootings and citizen complaints.

Council Member Woodards provided information on the 2nd annual Student Government Day on Tuesday, November 1, 2016.

Deputy Mayor Mello provided information on an upcoming bicycling event on Thursday, September 22, 2016, starting at the Tacoma Municipal Building located at 747 Market Street, at 6:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

Marilyn Strickland, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk