



City of Tacoma

City Council Study Session Minutes

733 Market Street, Tacoma WA 98402

Conference Room 16

March 15, 2016

12:00 PM

Call to Order

Council Member Woodards called the study session to order at 12:08 p.m.

Present: 6 - Blocker, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Thoms and Woodards

Absent: 3 - Campbell, Mello and Mayor Strickland

Council Member Campbell arrived at 12:13 p.m.

Briefing Items

1. [16-0214](#) Legislative Updates

At approximately 12:09 p.m., Randy Lewis, Government Relations Officer, provided an update on Washington State Legislature Senate bills (SB) and House bills (HB) related to City bills of interest, including the Pension Public Records Act (PRA) exemption (SB 6170), and a local 10 year property tax exemption (SB 6239).

Council Member Campbell arrived here, at 12:13 p.m.

Mr. Lewis continued providing updates including, an exemption for some body camera images from the PRA (HB 2362), extension of the .33 percent sales tax credit used by public facilities (HB 2296), extension of the Local Revitalization Financing program (SB 5109), and creation of a Business and Occupation tax task force (HB 2959). Mr. Lewis concluded by discussing budget issues, and upcoming dates.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Committee Reports

Council Member Ibsen reported on ForeverGreen Trails formulating long range trail education and outreach plans. Council Member Ibsen stated that Northwest Innovation Works was present at the most recent Joint Municipal Action Committee meeting.

Council Member Lonergan reported on the Zoo Trek Authority, stating Point Defiance Zoo is collaborating with the Tacoma School District to build a Science and Math Institute classroom on the zoo grounds, scheduled to open Fall 2017. Council Member Lonergan gave an update on Northwest Trek's new Kids' Trek playground and picnic facility.

Agenda Review and City Manager's Weekly Report

2. [16-0215](#) Weekly Report to the City Council, March 10, 2016

T.C. Broadnax, City Manager, stated there are no proclamations, recognitions, or announcements, and there are no changes to tonight's agenda.

Executive Session - Potential Litigation

MOTION: Council Member Woodards moved to convene to Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss potential litigation, not to exceed 30 minutes.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.

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

Ayes: 7 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Thoms and Woodards

Absent: 2 - Mello and Mayor Strickland

The Council convened to Executive Session at 12:42 p.m.
Chief Deputy City Attorneys Chris Bacha and Bill Fosbre were present.

The Executive Session was extended by 5 minutes at 1:12 p.m.

The Executive Session concluded and the study session reconvened at 1:17 p.m.

Adjournment

On proper motion, the study session was adjourned at 1:17 p.m.

Victoria Woodards

Doris Sorum, City Clerk