



City of Tacoma City Council Study Session Minutes

733 Market Street, Tacoma WA 98402

Conference Room 16

February 19, 2019

12:00 PM

JOINT MEETING WITH THE PUBLIC UTILITY BOARD

Call to Order

Mayor Woodards called the joint study session to order at 12:13 p.m.

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

Absent: 1 - Ibsen

Public Utility Board Members:

Present: 5 - Cooley, Flint, Larkin, and Patterson, and Chair Jones

Council Member Ibsen arrived at 12:15 p.m.

Other Items of Interest

Mayor Woodards provided opening remarks and welcomed the Public Utility Board (PUB). PUB Chair Jones introduced the PUB members.

Council Member Ibsen arrived here, at 12:15 p.m.

City Manager Elizabeth Pauli stated that she and Tacoma Public Utilities Director Jackie Flowers are drafting proposed revisions to the inclement weather policy and related labor agreements to address employee concerns identified during recent winter weather events and closures.

Discussion ensued regarding retroactive status of the ordinance, pay, and employee concerns.

Committee Reports

There were no Committee reports given.

Agenda Review and City Manager's Weekly Report

1. [19-0164](#) Weekly Report to the City Council, February 14, 2019

City Manager Pauli stated there are no proclamations, presentations, awards, or changes anticipated on tonight's agenda.

Executive Session - Pending and Potential Litigation

MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to convene to joint Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss pending and potential litigation, not to exceed 45 minutes.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.

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

Public Utility Board Members:

Ayes: 5 - Cooley, Flint, Jones, Larkin, and Patterson

The City Council and PUB convened to joint Executive Session at 12:30 p.m. City Attorney Bill Fosbre, Chief Deputy City Attorneys Chris Bacha and Tom Morrill, and Deputy City Attorney Paul Goulding were present.

The joint Executive Session was extended by 30 minutes at 1:15 p.m., 15 minutes at 1:45 p.m., 20 minutes at 2:00 p.m., 10 minutes at 2:20 p.m., 10 minutes at 2:30 p.m., and 5 minutes at 2:40 p.m.

The joint Executive Session concluded and the joint study session reconvened at 2:45 p.m.

Adjournment

On proper motion, the study session was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk