



City of Tacoma

Government Performance and Finance Committee Minutes

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March 02, 2021

10:00 AM

Chair Lillian Hunter, Vice Chair John Hines, Robert Thoms,
Kristina Walker, Keith Blocker (alternate), Bryan Flint (ex officio)

Call To Order

Chair Hunter called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Roll Call

Present: 4 - Hines, Hunter, Thoms and Walker

All Council Members participated virtually.

Briefing Items

1. [21-0216](#)

The City's Insurance Program
[Saada Gegoux, Risk Manager, Finance]

At approximately 10:02 a.m., Saada Gegoux, Risk Manager, Finance, presented an overview of the City's insurance program for 2020, including coverages; self-insurance; purchased insurance; annual insurance cost distribution for 2020; exposure through claims, including third party liability, first party liability, and subrogation; a five-year history of top causes of claims; and issues facing the City regarding law enforcement coverage and Tacoma Public Utilities (TPU) transmission line coverage.

Discussion ensued regarding the amount of claims against the City, the number of claims compared to the cost to pay out claims, insurance budgeting and premiums, insurance for law enforcement, insurance provider options, a year-to-year cost comparison, insurance coverages and premiums for TPU, and self-insurance.

2. [21-0217](#) Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Agreement with the City of Ruston
[Mike Slevin, Director; Dan Thompson, Business Operations Division Manager, Environmental Services]

At approximately 10:34 a.m., Mike Slevin, Director, Environmental Services (ES), provided background regarding City wastewater treatment and disposal services. Dan Thompson, Business Operations Division Manager, ES, presented an overview of the wastewater treatment and disposal agreement with the City of Ruston, including background; issues, noting benefits of the agreement, the current and future calculation of fees, and inflow and infiltration (I&I); and next steps.

Discussion ensued regarding Ruston's cost for the wastewater service that Tacoma provides, metering I&I, and which jurisdictions Tacoma has agreements with.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

3. [21-0218](#) March 16, 2021 - 2020 Audit Entrance Briefing
April 6, 2021 - Tacoma Public Utilities' Advanced Meters

Ted Richardson, Committee Liaison, stated the next meeting will be on March 16, 2021, and will include a 2020 audit entrance briefing; and the April 6, 2021, meeting will include a presentation on Tacoma Public Utilities' advanced meters.

Other Items of Interest

Council Member Thoms expressed interest in discussing the new one-tenth of one percent sales tax for affordable housing and an update on the mental health tax.

Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.



Lillian Hunter, Chair



Mary Crabtree, City Clerk's Office