

Government Performance and Finance Committee Minutes

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Tacoma Municipal Building, Room 248, 747 Market Street, Tacoma, Washington 98402

September 4, 2013

Vice Chair Campbell called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

Council Committee Members Present: Campbell, Ibsen (alternate), and Thoms.

Council Committee Members Absent: Lonergan and Mayor Strickland (arrived at 4:33 p.m.)

Approval of August 21, 2013 Minutes

Council Member Ibsen moved to approve the minutes of the August 21, 2013 meeting. Seconded by Council Member Thoms. Voice vote was taken and carried. The minutes were approved.

Mayor Strickland arrived here, at 4:33 p.m.

July Monthly Budget Report

At approximately 4:33 p.m. Tad Wille, Budget Officer, provided an General Fund update for the 2013-2014 Biennium through July 2013, including including revenues, expenditures, supported funds, variances, and next steps. Discussion ensued regarding whether payments received at the end of the month are reflected in revenue data for the following month, whether the issue with tax on tickets sold at Cheney Stadium has been fixed, unfavorable revenues from Tacoma Power, leasehold taxes, and interest revenue. Council Member Ibsen requested additional information regarding Business and Occupation Taxes specifically relating to retail wholesale. City Manager T.C. Broadnax discussed the changes in how departments review and manage their budgets, and how the information is reported to the Council. Mayor Strickland stated the Fiscal Sustainability Task Force was impressed with the depth of knowledge demonstrated by Finance Director Andy Cherullo and Mr. Wille.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

Reid Bennion, City Manager's Office, stated the next meeting on September 18, 2013, is a joint meeting with the Audit Advisory Board and there are currently no items scheduled. He then stated topics for the October 2, 2013 meeting includes the August monthly budget report, an update on the Multi-City Tax Portal, and a franchise agreement.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Public Comment

None.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Marty Campbell, Vice Chair

Linnea Meredith, Office Assistant, City Clerk's Office