



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

November 27, 2018

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: 1 - Mello

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Deputy Mayor Ibsen.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [18-1397](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, October 16, 2018.
2. [18-1399](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, October 10, 2018.
3. [18-1332](#) Minutes of the Planning Commission, October 3, 2018.
4. [18-1371](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, October 10, 2018.
5. [18-1372](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, October 10, 2018.
6. [18-1355](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Public Library Board of Trustees, July 18, 2018.
7. [18-1356](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Public Library Board of Trustees special meeting, September 5, 2018.

8. [18-1357](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Public Library Board of Trustees, September 19, 2018.
9. [18-1396](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Public Library Board of Trustees, October 17, 2018.

CONSENT AGENDA

There were no Consent Agenda items.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no proclamations, recognitions, presentations, and announcements.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:09 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Al Switzer, 1202 North Pearl Street, speaking on Resolution No. 40171.
2. Kristy Rawley, 1811 39th Street Southeast, Puyallup, speaking on Resolution No. 40171.
3. Daniel Eatherly, 1717 Market Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28563.
4. Jen Haggard, 840 South State Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28563.
5. Hannah Gilmore, 1750 South Oakes Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28563.

Public Comment ended at 5:15 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

10. [18-1405](#) A motion may be considered to authorize the City's full and final settlement of all claims against the City, Tacoma Public Utilities Claim No. B-016-18, involving damage caused to two locomotives, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$54,248.64.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to authorize the City's full and final settlement of all claims against the City, Tacoma Public Utilities Claim No. B-016-18, involving damage caused by two locomotives, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$54,248.64.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

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

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Mello

APPOINTMENTS

11. **RES40168** A resolution appointing individuals to the City Events and Recognitions Committee and the Tacoma Arts Commission.
[Doris Sorum, City Clerk; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40168.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Mello

PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

12. **RES40169** A resolution authorizing an increase to the contract with H W Lochner Inc., in the amount of \$85,395, plus applicable taxes, for a total of \$1,548,831, budgeted from the Transportation Capital Fund, for construction support assistance on the Puyallup River Bridge project - Specification No. PW16-0221F.
[Chris Storey, P.E., Project Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40169.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Mello

13. [RES40170](#) A resolution authorizing an increase to the contract with Irwin Seating Company, in the amount of \$8,428.80, plus applicable taxes, for a total of \$642,162.43, budgeted from the Tacoma Venues and Events Theaters Maintenance Fund, for additional chairs and seating fabric.
[Sue O’Neill, Assistant Division Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40170.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Mello

RESOLUTIONS

14. [RES40171](#) A resolution authorizing the use of up to \$2,000 of City Council Contingency Funds, for expenses related to traffic control devices for the 2018 6th Avenue Santa Parade; and directing the City Manager to negotiate and execute an agreement outlining the scope of work and deliverables for the funding.
[Council Members Hunter, McCarthy, and Ushka]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40171.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Mello

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

15. [ORD28560](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 2.01 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Minimum Building and Structures Code, to allow the City to pursue receivership of private properties which are derelict or unfit.
[Keith Williams, Code Inspection Supervisor; Linda Stewart, Director, Neighborhood and Community Services]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28560.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Mello

16. [ORD28561](#) An ordinance amending Title 2 of the Municipal Code, relating to Buildings, to allow for annual permit fee adjustments tied to the Consumer Price Index, and other minor changes.
[Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28561.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Mello

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

17. [ORD28562](#) An ordinance modifying the Biennial Budget for fiscal years 2017-2018 to appropriate funds for contract obligations, transfers, and other budget adjustments; and authorizing interfund transfers and contributions.
[Katie Johnston, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28562 was set over for final reading next week.

- 18. **ORD28563** An ordinance amending Chapter 1.29 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Human Rights Commission, by adding a new Section 1.29.180, entitled "Labeling of single-occupant public restrooms," requiring gender-neutral labeling of existing or new single-occupancy restrooms in places of public accommodation, facilities of the City, and facilities of taxing authorities located within the City, effective June 1, 2019.
[Andreta Armstrong, Human Rights Manager; Diane Powers, Director, Office of Equity and Human Rights]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28563 was set over for final reading next week.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council Member McCarthy recognized Kate Rhoades who was appointed earlier in the meeting to the City Events and Recognitions Committee and was in attendance at tonight's meeting.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

There was no report.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Economic Development Committee

Council Member McCarthy, Vice Chair of the Economic Development Committee (EDC), reported at the November 13, 2018 meeting, the Committee interviewed applicants for the City Events and Recognitions Committee and the Tacoma Arts Commission; and at today's meeting, the Committee interviewed applicants for the Foss Waterway Development Authority and received a presentation on the Greater Seattle Partners. He noted that Council Member Thoms is back from active duty and will be Chair of EDC going forward.

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MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to excuse Council Member Mello from the meeting.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Mello

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Doris Sorum", written over a horizontal line.

Doris Sorum, City Clerk