



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

March 17, 2015

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Strickland called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Council Member Lonergan.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [15-0268](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, December 17, 2014.
2. [15-0269](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, February 4, 2015.
3. [15-0227](#) Minutes of the Neighborhoods and Housing Committee, February 2, 2015.
4. [15-0210](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, January 28, 2015.
5. [15-0211](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, January 28, 2015.
6. [15-0155](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority, February 12, 2015.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to suspend the rules to add an additional resolution, Resolution No. 39141, to tonight's agenda after item 21 on the Regular Agenda.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

CONSENT AGENDA

7. [15-0216](#) Minutes of the City Council study session of October 21, 2014.
8. [15-0217](#) Minutes of the City Council study session of October 28, 2014.
9. [15-0219](#) Minutes of the City Council study session of November 4, 2014.
10. [15-0220](#) Minutes of the City Council study session of November 18, 2014.
11. [15-0221](#) Minutes of the City Council study session of November 25, 2014.
12. [15-0272](#) Minutes of the City Council study session of December 2, 2014.
13. [15-0267](#) Minutes of the City Council study session of December 9, 2014.
14. [15-0250](#) Minutes of the City Council study session of December 16, 2014.
15. [15-0273](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting of January 6, 2015.
16. [15-0274](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting of January 13, 2015.
17. [15-0249](#) Minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting of December 2, 2014.

RESOLUTIONS

18. [RES39132](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Agreement with the Pierce County Flood Control Zone District, in the amount of \$6,000,000; accepting and depositing \$1,000,000 annually for six years, for the years 2014 through 2019, into the Wastewater Fund, for reimbursement of costs related to the Central Treatment Plant Flood Protection Improvement Project.
[Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Division Manager; Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]
19. [RES39133](#) A resolution approving the final plat of Hidden Creek Estates, an 11-lot residential subdivision located at 5036 South Tyler Street. (JRB Family Holdings, LLC; File No. PLT2014-40000232022)
[Dustin Lawrence, Associate Planner; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 39132 and 39133.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 39132 and 39133, was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

20. [15-0259](#) Proclaiming March 20, 2015 as Helping Overcome Personal Emptiness' Victim Advocacy and Education Day in the City of Tacoma.

Mayor Strickland proclaimed March 20, 2015 as Helping Overcome Personal Emptiness' (HOPE) Victim Advocacy and Education Day in the City of Tacoma and presented the proclamation to Adrienne Casteel, HOPE Executive Director; Dr. John Castele Jr., HOPE President; and Janis Clark, HOPE Marketing Director.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:14 p.m.

Speaking before the Council:

1. Janis Clark, Safe Homes/HOPE, speaking on the HOPE Victim Advocacy and Education Day proclamation.

Public Comment ended at 5:20 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

21. [15-0257](#) Motion to accept and adopt the 2014 performance evaluation of the City Manager as prepared and submitted by the City Manager Performance Review Committee.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to accept and adopt the 2014 performance evaluation of the City Manager as prepared and submitted by the City Manager Performance Review Committee.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

- [RES39141](#) A resolution amending the Employment Agreement with City Manager T.C. Broadnax to address merit pay and salary compression by changing the annual base salary and deferred compensation contribution.
[Mayor Strickland]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39141.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

APPOINTMENTS

22. [RES39134](#) A resolution appointing Sara Irish to the Tacoma Public Library Board of Trustees for a five-year term beginning March 17, 2015 through March 17, 2020.
[Doris Sorum, City Clerk; Elizabeth Pauli, City Attorney]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39134.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

23. [RES39135](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Atlantic Machinery Inc., in the amount of \$362,000, plus sales tax, budgeted from the Wastewater Fund, for one combination jet/vacuum sewer cleaner - National Joint Powers Alliance Contract No. 022014-AMI.
[Judith Scott, Division Manager; Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39135.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

24. [RES39136](#) A resolution awarding a contract to J & D's Hydraulic and Repair Company, Inc., in the amount of \$750,000, plus sales tax, budgeted from the Fleet Equipment Rental Fund, for work truck and cargo van accessories - City of Seattle Contract No. 0000003203.
[Justin E. Davis, Facilities Division Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39136.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

25. [RES39137](#) A resolution increasing the contract with Systems for Public Safety Inc., in the amount of \$300,000, plus sales tax, for a cumulative total of \$450,000, budgeted from the Fleet Equipment Rental Capital General Fund, for law enforcement vehicle upfitting - Clallam County Contract No. 811-11-04, and Contract No. 4600009491.
[Justin E. Davis, Facilities Division Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39137.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

26. [RES39138](#) A resolution increasing the contract with Tucci & Sons, Inc., in the amount of \$152,000, sales tax not applicable, for a cumulative total of \$1,354,912.40, budgeted from the Transportation Capital Fund, for unforeseen overages associated with the Water Flume Line Trail Phase II Project - Specification No. PW14-0040F.
[Chris Larson, P.E., Engineering Division Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works Department]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39138.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

RESOLUTIONS

27. [RES39139](#) A resolution accepting a donation of property located at 1401 East 34th Street from the Maybell H. Phillips Living Trust; and authorizing the execution of a Statutory Warranty Deed and a Real Estate Donation Agreement, in the amount of \$271.83, budgeted from the Surface Water Fund, to pay the property taxes for 2014 and the first half of 2015.
[Richard Price, Senior Real Estate Officer; Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39139.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

28. [RES39140](#) A resolution authorizing execution of a Letter of Agreement negotiated with the Tacoma Police Union, Local 6, IUPA.
[Joy St. Germain, Human Resources Director]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39140.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

29. [ORD28285](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 12.06 of the Municipal Code, relating to electric energy regulations and rates, to adjust rates for services provided by Tacoma Power, effective April 1, 2015.
[Bill Berry, Rates, Planning, and Analysis Manager; Ted Coates, Power Superintendent]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28285. The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

30. [ORD28286](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 12.10 of the Municipal Code, relating to water regulations and rates, to provide for two rate adjustments for water services provided by Tacoma Water, effective April 1, 2015 and January 1, 2016.
[Sean Senescall, Rates and Financial Planning Manager; Linda McCrea, Water Superintendent]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28286. The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

31. [ORD28287](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation for employees represented by the Tacoma Police Union, Local 6, IUPA, effective retroactive to January 1, 2015.
[Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved as a substitute, Substitute Ordinance No. 28287.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

ACTION: Substitute Ordinance No. 28287 was set over for final reading next week.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

CITIZENS' FORUM

Citizens' Forum began at 5:45 p.m.

Speaking before the Council:

1. Chuck Johnson, USA, speaking on Tacoma 2015.
2. John Carlton, citizen, speaking on newspaper advertisement trash.
3. Cheryl Kopec, citizen, speaking on newspaper advertisement trash.

Citizens' Forum ended at 5:53 p.m.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager T.C. Broadnax stated the Washington Industrial Energy Leaders Program is recognizing the City of Tacoma's Central Wastewater Treatment Plant with an award from Washington State Governor Jay Inslee for improved energy performance. He then stated in recognition of the International Date for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination on March 21, 2015, the Human Rights Commission and the Office of Equity and Human Rights are hosting a free community workshop in partnership with the Conversation; Tacoma Urban League; Northwest Sound Consulting; Solutions for Humanity, Community and the Environment; and the Russell Family Foundation Puyallup Watershed Initiative Social and Environmental Justice Community of Interest. Mr. Broadnax concluded by thanking the Council for their kind words tonight and feedback during the performance evaluation process, and acknowledging staff for their hard work.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Deputy Mayor Boe provided information on arts events in the City, including Songs from the Emerald Isle by the Tacoma Symphony Orchestra, Pippi Longstocking by the Tacoma Musical Playhouse Family Theater, and the Spring Sing by the Puget Sound Revels at the B Sharp Café.

Council Member Walker provided information on her trip to Selma, Alabama, for the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of Bloody Sunday and the Selma-to-Montgomery March for voting rights, and noted events included crossing the Edmund Pettus Bridge, honoring a group of people that were at the march 50 years ago, and listening to a speech from United States President Barack Obama.

Council Member Woodards provided information on the crossing of the City's 11th Street Bridge to march in solidarity with the events happening in Selma, and thanked all those who organized and participated in the event.

Council Member Campbell provided information on community events in District No. 4, including the Urban Hike: Discovering Dometop on Foot event, and a town hall at Lincoln High School to discuss the City's Comprehensive Plan. He also noted the Washington State Department of Transportation will be closing the Pacific Avenue Bridge for one year beginning April 6, 2015.

Council Member Woodards provided information on the Cultural Grooming event by Washington Engage at Pacific Lutheran University, and the panel discussion on human trafficking and commercially sexually exploited children at the Women's History Month event held at the University of Washington-Tacoma.

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Marilyn Strickland, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk