



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

April 07, 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 Walker.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [15-0349](#) Minutes of the Neighborhoods and Housing Committee, March 2, 2015.
2. [15-0337](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, February 25, 2015.
3. [15-0338](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, February 25, 2015.
4. [15-0341](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Public Library Board of Trustees, January 21, 2015.

CONSENT AGENDA

5. [15-0367](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting of January 27, 2015.

RESOLUTIONS

6. [RES39161](#) A resolution approving the final plat of Applewood West, a 14-lot residential subdivision located at 4033 East Howe Street.
(C.E.S. NW, Inc.; File No. PLT2015-40000241698)
[Dustin Lawrence, Associate Planner; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

7. [ORD28292](#) An ordinance vacating a portion of Jefferson Avenue south of South 17th Street, for pedestrian and bicycle improvements, landscaping, traffic management, parking and vehicle access to the University of Washington-Tacoma campus and adjacent buildings. (University of Washington-Tacoma - File No. 124.1347)
[Troy Stevens, Senior Real Estate Specialist; Phyllis Macleod, Hearing Examiner]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 39161 and first reading of Ordinance No. 28292.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner for Ordinance No. 28292.

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: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 39161 and setting Ordinance No. 28292 over to a date to be determined, was declared adopted.

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

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

8. [15-0363](#) Proclaiming Tuesday, April 7, 2015, as National Service Recognition Day in the City of Tacoma.

Mayor Strickland proclaimed Tuesday, April 7, 2015 as National Service Recognition Day in the City of Tacoma and presented the proclamation to Carol Farer, State Director of ServiceNation Washington.

9. [15-0348](#) Presentation from State Farm Insurance to Summer Jobs 253.

State Farm Insurance Agents Wendi Thomas and Tony Brooks presented a check for \$20,000 to the City Council for the Summer Jobs 253 program.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:22 p.m.

No speakers came forward to address the Council.

Public Comment ended at 5:23 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

APPOINTMENTS

10. [RES39162](#) A resolution appointing Lawrence Coleman and Dion Thomas to the City Events and Recognitions Committee.
[Doris Sorum, City Clerk; Elizabeth Pauli, City Attorney]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39162.

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

11. [RES39163](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Retail Lockbox, Inc., in the amount of \$350,000, sales tax not applicable, budgeted from the General Fund, for lockbox receipting services, for an initial contract term of three years, with the option to renew for two additional two-year periods, for a projected contract total of \$900,000 - Specification No. FI14-0028F.
[Michael San Soucie, Treasury Manager; Andrew Cherullo, Director, Finance]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39163.

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

12. [RES39164](#) A resolution approving the recommendations of the Co-Chairs of the Affordable Housing Policy Advisory Group for updating its membership and extending its term through December 2015.
[Elliott Barnett, Associate Planner; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39164.

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

13. [RES39165](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing Eight-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with 252 Metropolitan, LLC, for the development of 139 multi-family market-rate rental units to be located at 252 Broadway in the Downtown Mixed-Use Center.
[Debbie Bingham, Economic Development Specialist; Ricardo Noguera, Director, Community and Economic Development]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39165.

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

14. [RES39166](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing 12-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with A&A Property Holdings, LLC, for the development of 18 multi-family market-rate rental housing units to be located at 4020 South Puget Sound Avenue in the Tacoma Mall Mixed-Use Center.
[Debbie Bingham, Economic Development Specialist; Ricardo Noguera, Director, Community and Economic Development]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39166.

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

15. [ORD28291](#) 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 Sheet Metal, Air, Rail and Transportation Union, Transportation Division.
[Robin Koch, Labor Relations Manager; Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28291. 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

16. [ORD28293](#) An ordinance repealing and reenacting Chapter 8.122 of the Municipal Code, relating to Noise Enforcement, to update the purpose and add a definition for continuous sound; provide clarification regarding variances and appeals; and revise the penalty section to allow for escalation of penalties for repeat offenses within a 12-month period.
[Lisa Wojtanowicz, Community Services Division Manager; Nadia Chandler Hardy, Director, Neighborhood and Community Services]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28293 was set over for final reading next week.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager T.C. Broadnax stated the Small Neighborhood Innovative Grant program has been reinstated in the 2015-2016 budget. He then stated after a two-year break from soliciting new projects during the 2013-2014 budget cycle, staff was able to complete a backlog of 86 projects totaling \$495,584 and to identify necessary program improvements reflecting the findings and priorities from the 2012 Neighborhood Council Program review. Mr. Broadnax noted to-date staff has completed all but five of the remaining projects, which are in progress at sites located in the Central, North End, Northeast, and South Tacoma Neighborhood Council areas. He then noted applications for the 2015-2016 grants will be available in the Customer Support Center on the second floor of the Municipal Building, or by contacting Neighborhood Councils directly. He concluded by stating additional information, including applications, deadlines, and workshops, can be found at www.cityoftacoma.org.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Economic Development Committee

Council Member Campbell, Chair of the Economic Development Committee, stated the February 10, 2015 meeting included interviews for the City Events and Recognitions Committee. He then stated the February 4, 2015 meeting included an update on the Foss Waterway Development Authority, and an economic indicators report for the fourth quarter of 2014. Council Member Campbell stated on March 4, 2015, the Committee heard an update on the Foss Waterway Development Authority and made additional recommendations to their board, and conducted interviews for the Tacoma Arts Commission. He concluded by stating the next meeting will be held on April 14, 2015, and topics will include an update on the Space Works program and an appointment to the Tacoma Arts Commission.

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Council Member Lonergan provided information on discussions in District No. 5 related to the City’s Comprehensive Plan this Thursday at Gray Middle School.

Deputy Mayor Boe provided information on a Town Hall this Thursday related to the Click! Network public/private partnership proposal at Stadium High School. He noted an additional Town Hall will be held on April 23, 2015 at Tacoma Public Utilities.

Council Member Campbell provided information on the community garden event in the Swan Creek Food Forest this weekend.

Mayor Strickland stated the 87th Annual Daffodil Parade is this Saturday in downtown Tacoma at 10:00 a.m., in Puyallup at 12:45 a.m., and Sumner at 2:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:49 p.m.

Marilyn Strickland, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk