



# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

July 22, 2014

5:00 PM

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## CALL TO ORDER

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

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Walker and Woodards

**Absent:** 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland

## FLAG SALUTE

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member Boe.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1.     **14-0624**     Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, June 24, 2014.
2.     **14-0625**     Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, June 18, 2014.
3.     **14-0626**     Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee,  
June 11, 2014.
4.     **14-0627**     Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee,  
June 25, 2014.
5.     **14-0629**     Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission meeting,  
December 18, 2013.
6.     **14-0628**     Minutes of the Public Safety, Human Services, and Education Committee,  
June 26, 2014.
7.     **14-0618**     Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, June 11, 2014.

## CONSENT AGENDA

- 8. 14-0630 Minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting of May 20, 2014.
- 9. 14-0632 Minutes of the City Council meeting of May 20, 2014.

## RESOLUTIONS

- 10. RES38960 A resolution authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Agreement with the Port of Tacoma; accepting \$601,949 in grant funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, for the replacement of one switcher locomotive.  
[Alan Matheson, Chief Mechanical Officer; Dale King, Rail Superintendent]
- 11. RES38961 A resolution authorizing the execution of a grant agreement with the Washington State Department of Ecology, in the amount of \$200,000; accepting and depositing said sum into the Tacoma Rail Fund, for the replacement of one switcher locomotive.  
[Alan Matheson, Chief Mechanical Officer; Dale King, Rail Superintendent].
- 12. RES38962 A resolution authorizing the execution of a lease agreement with Progress Rail Leasing Corporation for two electro-motive diesel locomotives, for a five-year term with the option to purchase, for a cumulative total of lease payments and end of term purchase of \$6,985,000, budgeted from the Tacoma Rail Fund.  
[Alan Matheson, Chief Mechanical Officer; Dale King, Rail Superintendent]

**MOTION: Council Member Boe moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 38960, 38961, and 38962.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 38960, 38961, and 38962 was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Walker and Woodards  
**Absent:** 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland

## **PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment began at 5:09 p.m.

Speaking before Council:

1. Tom O'Connor, Affordable Housing Policy Advisory Group, speaking on Ordinance Nos. 28229 and 28230.
2. Michael Mirra, Affordable Housing Policy Advisory Group, speaking on Ordinance Nos. 28229 and 28230.
3. Emily Happy, Fish Food Banks of Pierce County, speaking on Resolution No. 38970.

Public comment ended at 5:16 p.m.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

**MOTION: Council Member Boe moved to authorize the City's full and final settlement of all claims against the City by Hokold Development, LLC, Claim No. 14818, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$32,302.50.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Walker and Woodards

**Absent:** 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland

## APPOINTMENTS

13.     **RES38963**     A resolution appointing individuals to committees that will prepare statements “For” and “Against” proposed amendments to the Tacoma City Charter which will appear in the Voters’ Pamphlet for the Special Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014.  
[Doris Sorum, City Clerk; Elizabeth Pauli, City Attorney]  
**MOTION: Council Member Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 38963.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Walker and Woodards  
**Absent:** 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland

**MOTION: Council Member Boe moved as a substitute, Substitute Exhibit A for Resolution No. 38963.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution, including Substitute Exhibit A, was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Walker and Woodards  
**Absent:** 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland

## PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

14.     **RES38964**     A resolution authorizing the execution of an amendment to the agreement with L.N. Curtis & Sons, in the amount of \$160,000, plus sales tax, for a cumulative total of \$319,372.23, budgeted from the General Fund, to increase the contract for firefighting hose - Specification No. FD12-0152F.  
[Roger Edington, Assistant Chief; James P. Duggan, Chief, Tacoma Fire Department]

**MOTION: Council Member Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 38964.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Walker and Woodards  
**Absent:** 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland

## RESOLUTIONS

- 15. RES38965** A resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement negotiated with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Click! Network Unit, covering 14 budgeted positions.  
[Mike Brock, Labor Negotiator; Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

**MOTION: Council Member Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 38965.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Walker and Woodards  
**Absent:** 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland

- 16. RES38966** A resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement negotiated with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Supervisors' Unit, covering three budgeted positions.  
[Tara Schaak, Labor Negotiator; Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

**MOTION: Council Member Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 38966.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Walker and Woodards  
**Absent:** 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland

- 17. RES38967** A resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement negotiated with the Professional and Technical Employees, Local 17, creating a new classification entitled Recovery and Transfer Center Supervisor located within the Environmental Services Department.  
[Tara Schaak, Labor Negotiator; Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

**MOTION: Council Member Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 38967.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Walker and Woodards  
**Absent:** 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland

18. **RES38968** A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement and Letter of Agreement negotiated with the Washington Council of County and City Employees, Local 120, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, covering 152 budgeted positions effective January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2016.  
[Mike Brock, Labor Negotiator; Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

**MOTION: Council Member Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 38968.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Walker and Woodards  
**Absent:** 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland

19. **RES38969** A resolution approving an amendment to Article VI, Section 2, of the Charter of the Greater Tacoma Regional Convention Center Public Facilities District, to eliminate, in its entirety, Article VI, Limits on District Powers, to enable the Board to actively participate in the Association of Washington State Public Facilities Districts and to more effectively advocate on behalf of the Greater Tacoma Convention and Trade Center.  
[Jon Houg, Deputy Director; Kim Bedier, Director, Public Assembly Facilities]

**MOTION: Council Member Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 38969.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Walker and Woodards  
**Absent:** 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland

20.     **RES38970**     A resolution adopting the 2015-2019 Human Services Strategic Plan.  
[Pamela Duncan, Contracting Services Manager; Tansy Hayward, Director,  
Neighborhood and Community Services]
- MOTION: Council Member Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 38970.**
- SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**
- ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.**  
**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Walker and Woodards  
**Absent:** 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland

21.     **RES38971**     A resolution transmitting 12 ballot measures to the Pierce County Auditor to be placed on the ballot for the Special Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014.  
[Doris Sorum, City Clerk; Elizabeth Pauli, City Attorney]
- MOTION: Council Member Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 38971.**
- SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**
- ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.**  
**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Walker and Woodards  
**Absent:** 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland

**FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES**

22.     **ORD28229**     An amended ordinance approving the proposed 2014 Annual Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Regulatory Code as recommended by the Planning Commission on May 7, 2014, and amending appropriate elements of the Comprehensive Plan.  
[Brian Boudet, Planning Manager; Peter Huffman, Director,  
Planning and Development Services]
- MOTION: Council Member Boe moved to amend amended Ordinance No. 28229 at Section 3 to read as follows:  
"That the effective date of this ordinance shall be August 10, 2014."**
- SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**
- ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried.**  
**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Walker and Woodards  
**Absent:** 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland

**MOTION:** Council Member Walker moved to amend amended Ordinance No. 28229 to include the addition of a new housing-related policy on Page H-14 of the Housing Element of the Comprehensive Plan, to read as follows: H-HA-5 Develop Housing Strategies Housing issues including affordability, mix, variety and condition are central to achieving the City's and region's goals for providing a mix of housing throughout the city, including housing affordable to households earning 80 percent or less of Area Median Income, and particularly within higher density areas where a significant portion of future growth is expected to occur. Due consideration should be given to these issues as part of new, major land use and growth strategy policy initiatives, such as developing subarea plans and designating Mixed-Use Centers. Where gaps or inequities are identified, the City should develop and implement strategies to address them, potentially including the establishment of specific affordable housing targets and new or expanded incentives and standards.

**SECONDED BY:** Council Member Mello.

Public comment was heard from J.J. McCament, Point Ruston.

**ACTION:** Roll call vote was taken and carried, with Council Members Boe and Lonergan voting in opposition. The motion was adopted.

**Ayes:** 5 - Campbell, Ibsen, Mello, Walker and Woodards

**Nays:** 2 - Boe and Lonergan

**Absent:** 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland

**ACTION:** Roll call vote was taken on Amended Ordinance No. 28229. The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Walker and Woodards

**Absent:** 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland

23. **ORD28230** An amended ordinance amending various chapters of Title 1 and Title 13 of the Municipal Code, relating to the 2014 Annual Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Regulatory Code as recommended by the Planning Commission on May 7, 2014.

[Brian Boudet, Planning Manager; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

**MOTION:** Council Member Walker moved to amend amended Ordinance No. 28230 by adding the following as the last "Whereas" provision on Page 4:

Whereas the goal of housing affordability and a mix of housing types in each neighborhood is a central component of the city's vision for downtown and mixed-use centers. Therefore, the upcoming evaluation of the City's mixed-use centers should be coordinated with a City-wide evaluation of affordable housing needs and goals and potential new or



expanded strategies, incentives and standards, to include review of the multi-family property tax exemption program to evaluate its effectiveness and consider modifications to make the 12-year exemption option, which is intended to incentivize provision of affordable housing, more appealing. Based upon the solid foundation of this city-wide analysis, implementation should be coordinated, equitable and applied, as appropriate, to both existing and new mixed-use centers, including the newly designated Pt. Ruston mixed-use center.

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Boe.**

**Public comment was heard from J.J. McCament, Point Ruston and Jeremiah LaFranca, Point Ruston.**

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

**Ayes: 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Walker and Woodards  
Absent: 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland**

**MOTION: Council Member Campbell moved to amend amended Ordinance No. 28230 as follows:**

- 1) by rescinding the prior amendment voted on and passed by the Council on June 24, 2014 that changed all requirements for electric vehicle infrastructure for new development to recommendations only;
- 2) by reinstating the Planning Commission and Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee recommendation for requiring electric vehicle charging stations for new commercial and institutional development as reflected in the Exhibit D revisions at Pages 101-102;
- 3) by revising Exhibit D further at Pages 101-102 to recommend that new multi-family residential development provide electric vehicle charging stations for 50% of the parking spaces provided and all new single-family residential developments provide electric vehicle charging stations;
- 4) by revising the ninth recital at Page 4 Line 6 by removing the words "commercial and."
- 5) by adding a sentence to the end of the final recital that reads as follows: the Sustainable Tacoma Commission shall develop these recommendations by the end of this year (2014) such that further regulatory amendments may be considered by the Planning Commission and City Council as part of the 2015 Comprehensive Plan annual amendment process."
- 6) by revising Section 1 at Page 5 line 5 by adding the phrase "in new residential development" after the phrase "installation of charging infrastructure."
- 7) and by revising Section 10 to read as follows:  
"that the effective date of this ordinance shall be August 10, 2014."

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

**Public comment was heard from Tom O'Connor, Affordable Housing Policy Advisory Group and Jeremiah LaFranca, Master Builders Association.**

**ACTION: Roll call vote was requested and taken with Council Members Boe and Lonergan voting in opposition. The motion was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 5 - Campbell, Ibsen, Mello, Walker and Woodards

**Nays:** 2 - Boe and Lonergan

**Absent:** 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28230.**

**The Ordinance, as amended, was declared passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Walker and Woodards

**Absent:** 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland

#### **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

- 24. ORD28232** An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation covering 14 budgeted positions, represented by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Click! Network Unit.  
[Mike Brock, Labor Negotiator; Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28232 was set over for final reading next week.**

- 25. ORD28233** An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation, covering three budgeted positions represented by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Supervisors' Unit.  
[Tara Schaak, Labor Negotiator; Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28233 was set over for final reading next week.**

- 26. ORD28234** An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation for the Recovery and Transfer Center Supervisor, represented by the Professional and Technical Employees, Local 17; and deleting obsolete classifications located within the Environmental Services Department.  
[Tara Schaak, Labor Negotiator; Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28234 was set over for final reading next week.**

27. **ORD28235** An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation, and changes in classifications to reflect the organizational structure for employees represented by the Washington State Council of County and City Employees, Local 120, covering 152 budgeted positions.  
[Mike Brock, Labor Negotiator; Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION:** Ordinance No. 28235 was set over for final reading next week.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

### **REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

There was no report.

### **COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Neighborhoods and Housing Committee.

Council Member Walker stated the Neighborhoods and Housing Committee recently heard a presentation on proposed changes to the Minimum Building and Structures Code coming out of a staff review to make sure it is consistent with state, federal, and international codes; received an overview on derelict buildings; heard a presentation on four boundary adjustments proposed as part of a Neighborhood Council Review; and received an update on the City's Sidewalk Maintenance Program. She stated at the next meeting, the Committee will discuss single family development efforts and the impact on neighborhoods.

Council Member Boe shared several upcoming events, including the weekly farmers markets through the summer, 6th Avenue on Tuesdays, Broadway on Thursdays, Proctor on Saturdays, South Tacoma on Sundays; the 12th Annual Tacoma Blues and Jazz Festival on Saturday; and a free drive-in showing of Smokey and the Bandit at the LeMay America's Car Museum Haub Family Showfield. He noted the show is free, but donations to the museum are appreciated and food will be available from Pacific Grill.

Council Member Campbell shared several upcoming events, including the Crystal Judson Family Center barbecue on Friday at 11:30 a.m. in the Crystal Judson Family Justice Center parking lot; a community cleanup for residents of South Wapato, North Wapato, and Gaudrone neighborhoods on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; and the District 4 Community Budget Input Meeting on August 4, 2014; a forum on graffiti on August 13, 2014; and the McKinley Hill Street Fair on August 16, 2014.

Council Member Lonergan invited everyone to this week's Community Budget Input meeting for District 5 at Birney Elementary on Thursday, July 24, 2014, at 6:00 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Woodards stated Ethnic Fest will be held on Saturday and Sunday at Wright Park, and on Saturday, the Click! movie in the park will be the Lego Movie.

**MOTION: Council Member Boe moved to excuse Council Member Thoms and Mayor Strickland from tonight's meeting.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Walker and Woodards

**Absent:** 2 - Thoms and Mayor Strickland

**ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

  
for Victoria Woodards, Deputy Mayor

  
Doris Sorum, City Clerk