



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402

Council Chambers

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August 27, 2024

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

FLAG SALUTE

Deputy Mayor Hines stated that we gratefully honor and acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language.

The flag salute was led by Deputy Mayor Hines.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [24-0941](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, April 2, 2024.
2. [24-0942](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee special meeting, April 23, 2024.
3. [24-0929](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, July 10, 2024.
4. [24-0930](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, July 10, 2024.
5. [24-0931](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, July 24, 2024.
6. [24-0932](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, July 24, 2024.
7. [24-0909](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Arts Commission, June 10, 2024.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no modifications to the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

PAYMENTS

8. [24-0935](#) Date Range - 07/29/2024 to 08/11/2024
Payroll in the amount of \$22,522,861.28; Payments in the amount of \$29,570,763.27;
for a total of \$52,093,624.55.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt the Consent Agenda.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the
Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

Ayes: 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott,
Walker and Mayor Woodards

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment began at 5:03 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received three written comments for public comment, regarding Resolution Nos. 41519 and 41520, and Ordinance No. 28977.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Heidi Stephens, speaking on Ordinance No. 28977.
2. Esther Day, speaking on Ordinance No. 28977.
3. Michele Reich, speaking on Resolution Nos. 41519 and 41520, and Ordinance No. 28977.
4. Marilyn Kimmerling, speaking on Ordinance No. 28977.
5. Kathy Lawhon, speaking on Resolution No. 41522.
6. Kit Burns, speaking on Resolution Nos. 41519, 41520, and 41521.
7. Cordell Hampshire, speaking on Resolution No. 41521 and Ordinance No. 28977.

Public comment ended at 5:16 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

APPOINTMENTS

9. [RES41515](#) A resolution appointing and reappointing individuals to the Equity in Contracting Advisory Committee.

[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41515.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.

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

Ayes: 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

10. [RES41516](#) A resolution appointing Mandy Zylstra to the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board.
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41516.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.

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

Ayes: 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

11. [RES41517](#) A resolution appointing and reappointing individuals to the Transportation Commission.
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41517.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.

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

Ayes: 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

12. [RES41518](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Miles Resources LLC, in the amount of \$5,417,405.81, plus applicable taxes, plus a 15 percent contingency, budgeted from the Street Fund and Streets Initiative Fund, for the disposal of construction debris, for an initial contract period of five years, for a projected contract total of \$6,230,016.68 - Specification No. PW23-0202F.
[Jake Green, Assistant Division Manager; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director, Public Works]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41518.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.

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

Ayes: 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

RESOLUTIONS

13. [RES41519](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing 12-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Alder Smart 1S, LLC, for the development of 14 multi-family market and regulated rate rental housing units, located at 3210 South 43rd Street in the Tacoma Mall Mixed-Use Center.
[Debbie Bingham, Project Manager; Patricia Beard, Interim Director, Community and Economic Development]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41519.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.

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

Ayes: 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

14. [RES41520](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing 12-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Northwest Smart Homes LLC, for the development of 36 multi-family market and regulated rate rental housing units, located at 315 South 30th Street in the Downtown Regional Growth Center. [Debbie Bingham, Project Manager; Patricia Beard, Interim Director, Community and Economic Development]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41520.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.

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

Ayes: 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

15. [RES41521](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with Sound Transit, in an amount not to exceed \$42,310,763, budgeted from the Transportation Capital Fund, for funding provided by Sound Transit for the preliminary engineering, final design, and construction of access improvements to the South Tacoma Sounder Station. [Josh Lauer, Project Manager; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director/City Engineer, Public Works]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41521.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.

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

Ayes: 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

16. [RES41522](#) A resolution amending Resolution No. 39787, authorizing an increase to the contract amount with Pierce County Recycling, Composting and Disposal, LLC, d.b.a. LRI, by \$90,000,000.00, for a cumulative total of \$237,290,930.15, budgeted from the Solid Waste Fund, for disposal of municipal solid waste, through February 2030.
[Lewis Griffith, Solid Waste Division Manager; Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Interim Director, Environmental Services]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41522.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.

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

Ayes: 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

17. [ORD28977](#) An ordinance approving a six-month extension of Ordinance No. 28872, which enacted interim land use regulations within the South Tacoma Groundwater Protection District (STGPD) to temporarily prohibit the establishment of new or the expansion of existing underground storage tanks, metal recycling, and auto wrecking facilities within the STGPD, as approved by the City Council, and as previously extended by Ordinance No. 28958.
[Adam Nolan, Senior Planner; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28977.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

18. [ORD28978](#) An ordinance authorizing the sale of a Convention Center and Parking Revenue Refunding Bond, in the amount not to exceed \$125,000, to refund outstanding bonds, and delegating the authority to approve the final terms of the bond.
[Michael San Soucie, City Treasurer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28978 was set over for final reading on September 10, 2024.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

COMMUNITY FORUM

Community forum began at 5:41 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received eight written comments for community forum, regarding the Harrison Shooting Range, ShotSpotter, and homelessness.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Ruba, regarding ShotSpotter.
2. Joseph Ostheller, regarding ShotSpotter.
3. Stacy Oaks, regarding ShotSpotter.
4. Andrea Haug, regarding ShotSpotter and homelessness on Pacific Avenue.
5. April Smith, regarding homeless encampments.
6. Ovunayo X, regarding ShotSpotter.
7. Michele Reich, regarding electric vehicle charging stations.
8. Daren Holter, regarding the Harrison Shooting Range.
9. Kyle Jolibois, regarding Project 2025.
10. Marilyn Kimmerling, regarding environmental preservation of the Puget Sound and ShotSpotter.
11. Kathy Lawhon, regarding the public comment periods, the Democratic National Convention, censorship, and Gaza.
12. EJ Slager, regarding ShotSpotter.
13. Ann Dorn, regarding ShotSpotter.
14. Ila Ravichandran, regarding ShotSpotter.
15. Gwen Lewandoski, regarding ShotSpotter.
16. Barb Church, regarding ShotSpotter.
17. Oneida Arnold, regarding ShotSpotter.
18. Rebecca Stith, regarding ShotSpotter.
19. Sally Perkins, regarding homeless encampments.

- 20. Holly Rydel-Kelly, regarding ShotSpotter.
- 21. Phil Mocek, regarding police surveillance and ShotSpotter.
- 22. Gemini Gnull, regarding ShotSpotter.
- 23. Aife Pasquale, regarding ShotSpotter.
- 24. Robert Hill, regarding government relations.
- 25. Cordell Hampshire, regarding ShotSpotter.

Community forum ended at 6:24 p.m.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

There was no report.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Community Vitality and Safety Committee

Council Member Rumbaugh, Chair of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, reported the August 22, 2024, meeting included an update on the 2025 Consolidated Plan and interviews for the Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities. She concluded by stating the next meeting will be held in a hybrid format on September 12, 2024, at 4:30 p.m., and will include review of the Neighborhood Council standard guidelines and corresponding code.

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Deputy Mayor Hines invited the community to the Historic Cushman Street Fair on Saturday, September 7, 2024, starting at 11:00 a.m.

Mayor Woodards announced the cancellation of the study session, business meeting, and Government Performance and Finance Committee meeting on September 3, 2024, due to the Labor Day holiday.

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.



 for Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor



 Nicole Emery, City Clerk