



# City of Tacoma

## City Council Study Session Minutes

733 Market Street, Tacoma WA 98402

Conference Room 16

**June 13, 2017**

**12:00 PM**

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### Joint Meeting with the Metropolitan Park Board of Commissioners

#### Call to Order

Mayor Strickland called the joint study session to order at 12:07 p.m.

**Present:** 7 - Blocker, Campbell, Lonergan, McCarthy, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 2 - Ibsen and Mello

Metropolitan Park Board of Commissioners Present:

5 - Baines, Jr., Hanberg, Pointer, Reid, and Smith

#### Joint City Council/Metropolitan Park Board of Commissioners Briefing Items

1. [17-0589](#) City of Tacoma and Metro Parks Tacoma Master Interlocal Agreement Update

At approximately 12:07 p.m., Andrea Smith, President, Metropolitan Park Board of Commissioners, introduced Commissioners Aaron Pointer, Jesse Baines, Jr., Tim Reid, and Eric Hanberg. Assistant City Manager Mark Lauzier introduced Shon Sylvia, Executive Director, and Peter Mayer, Assistant Executive Director, Metro Parks Tacoma, and provided information regarding City of Tacoma and Metro Parks Tacoma Policy Group, including the Master Interlocal Agreement, 2016 accomplishments, a list of work groups, and group work plan. Mr. Mayer, Assistant Executive Director, provided information on project and work plan highlights. Mr. Lauzier concluded by reviewing the work plan future policy items.

Discussion ensued regarding the future commitment to diversity in the workforce plan, agreement and work plan to include equity principles, access to the People's Pool for low-income, students, and diverse community, the need for an open space management plan, and infrastructure of Point Defiance.

The joint study session concluded and the City Council study session

reconvened at 12:38 p.m.

## Regular City Council Briefing Items

2. [17-0590](#) Washington State Legislative Updates

At approximately 12:41 p.m., Randy Lewis, Government Relations Officer, made opening remarks and provided information relative to the legislative sessions, including the status of city bills of interest, budget issues, revenue estimate from the anticipatory increase in internet sales tax, property tax update, projects that are at stake, documents of passed bills, and legislation session schedule.

Discussion ensued throughout the presentation regarding the sourcing of sales tax, decision process of the bills for funding and property tax, and the need for breaking away from differentiating the college branch campuses.

## Other Items of Interest

Council Member Lonergan stated the Workforce Central Board voted to allow alternates and a related amendment will be coming forward, which addresses the Council appointment schedule to include the new alternate designee to be Council Member McCarthy and to add Gang Reduction Project Executive Steering Committee and to appoint Council Member Blocker as the Vice Chair of the Committee in accordance with its bylaws.

## Committee Reports

There were no Committee Reports given.

## Agenda Review and City Manager's Weekly Report

3. [17-0594](#) Weekly Report to the City Council, June 8, 2017

Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager, stated there is one proclamation on tonight's agenda, proclaiming June 21, 2017 as Walk Tacoma Day and there are no expected changes to the agenda. Kurtis Kingsolver, Director, Public Works, provided information on Resolution No. 39745, which asks the Council for approval of a contract for the purchase and installation of school zone warning beacons.

## **Adjournment**

On proper motion, the study session was adjourned at 1:14 p.m.

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Marilyn Strickland, Mayor

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Doris Sorum, City Clerk