



# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

February 21, 2017

5:00 PM

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## CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Strickland called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

## FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Deputy Mayor Thoms.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [17-0177](#) Minutes of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, January 12, 2017.
2. [17-0178](#) Minutes of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, January 26, 2017.
3. [17-0196](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, January 10, 2017.
4. [17-0197](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, January 24, 2017.
5. [17-0207](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, January 4, 2017.
6. [17-0019](#) Minutes of the Human Services Commission, October 5, 2016.
7. [17-0020](#) Minutes of the Human Services Commission, November 9, 2016.
8. [17-0067](#) Minutes of the Human Services Commission, December 14, 2016.

- 9. [17-0169](#) Minutes of the Human Services Commission, January 11, 2017.
- 10. [17-0170](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, January 11, 2017.

## CONSENT AGENDA

- 11. [17-0179](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, January 3, 2017.
- 12. [17-0205](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, January 10, 2017.

## RESOLUTIONS

- 13. [RES39654](#) A resolution setting Wednesday, March, 29, 2017, at 9:00 a.m. as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner to confirm the final assessment roll for Local Improvement District 8645 for construction of permanent pavement and other appurtenances located on Broadway from South 2nd Street to South 9th Street; St. Helens Avenue from South 7th Street to South 9th Street; Market Street from St. Helens Avenue to South 9th Street; South 4th Street from Stadium Way to Broadway; South 7th Street from Broadway to St. Helens Avenue. [Ralph Rodriguez, LID Administrator; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt the Consent Agenda.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes: 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland**

## PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:06 p.m.

No one came forward to address the City Council.

Public Comment ended at 5:07 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

### PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

14. [RES39655](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Brown and Caldwell, Inc., in the amount of \$340,678, sales tax not applicable, budgeted from the Surface Water Fund, for engineering Owner's Advisor Services associated with the Jefferson and Hood Street Surface Water Interceptor Project through December 31, 2019 - Specification No. CT12-0001F.  
[Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Science and Engineering Division Manager;  
Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39655.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

15. [RES39656](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Orion Marine Contractors, Inc, in the amount of \$2,787,929, plus sales tax, budgeted from the Street Fund, for operation and maintenance of the Murray Morgan and Hylebos Bridges, for an initial three-year period, with the option to renew for two additional one-year periods, for a projected contract total of \$4,800,000 - Specification No. PW16-0522F.  
[Chris E. Larson, P.E., Engineering Division Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39656.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

16. [RES39657](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of Amendment No. 3 to the contract with HealthConnect Consulting, LLC, to extend the contract for professional medical and social work services in support of the TFD CARES program. [Michael Fitzgerald, Assistant to the Chief, James P. Duggan, Fire Chief]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39657.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

## RESOLUTIONS

17. [RES39658](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with Wilshire Associates, in the amount of \$612,100, budgeted from the Retirement Fund, for investment consulting services, from April 1, 2017, through March 31, 2020, with the option to renew for two additional one-year periods for a projected contract total of \$1,041,000. [Tim Allen, Director, Retirement]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39658.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

18. [RES39659](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a lease agreement with Republic Parking Northwest, LLC, in the amount of \$155,000, depositing said sum into the Parking Enterprise Fund, for the office space located at 942 Pacific Avenue, to create a joint-use business office to support the City's parking system through December 31, 2019.  
[Rich Price, Senior Real Estate Officer; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39659.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

19. [RES39660](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement with the City of Tacoma Washington, County and City Employees, Local 120, to create a new classification entitled Web Developer.  
[Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39660.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

20. [RES39661](#) A resolution designating the Lincoln Revitalization Construction Outreach Project as a Special Project of Limited Duration, including the special project position and benefits, from March 1, 2017, through October 31, 2018.  
[Carol Wolfe, Community and Economic Development Supervisor; Ricardo Noguera, Director, Community and Economic Development]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39661.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

## FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

21. [ORD28410](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 2.02 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Building Code, to incorporate references to the Federal Emergency Management Agency Region X's updated Flood Insurance Rate Map which identifies Special Flood Hazard Areas within the City effective March 7, 2017. [Sue Coffman, Building Official; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken and carried. The Ordinance was declared passed.**

**Ayes:** 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

## FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

22. [ORD28411](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Tacoma Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to add the new classification of Web Developer and correct the pay rate of Management Fellow. [Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28411 was set over for final reading next week.**

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

## REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

Interim City Manager Elizabeth Pauli announced the City has now received bond rating upgrades from both Fitch and Moody, which reflects the City's focus on fiscal sustainability and careful management of resources, noting these upgrades allow the City to borrow money at a cheaper rate which equals more savings. She then recognized Finance Director Andy Cherullo, Assistant Finance Director and Controller Susan Calderon, and the Finance Department staff for the City's Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association. She stated Tacoma was chosen for our Comprehensive Annual Finance Report, which was recognized for communicating the City's financial story and for its spirit of full disclosure.

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

Community Vitality and Safety Committee

Council Member Blocker, Chair of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, reported at the January 12, 2017 meeting, the Committee heard presentations on affordable housing and Planning and Development Services' 2017-2018 work program and community engagement plan. He stated at the January 26, 2017 meeting, the Committee conducted interviews for the Citizen Police Advisory Committee and reviewed the 2016 Community Vitality and Safety Committee year-end report. He concluded by stating at the February 9, 2017 meeting, the Committee heard a presentation on proposed Municipal Code changes relative to the Human Rights Commission.

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Deputy Mayor Thoms reported that while in Japan on navy duty he was able to visit our sister city of Kitakyushu and reviewed several initiatives to improve the economy.

Council Member Walker Lee reported Downtown on the Go will host a 2017 transportation forecast forum on Friday, February 24, 2017, at Court House Square, located at 1102 A Street, at noon.

Mayor Strickland stated the March 14, 2017 business meeting is cancelled, and Citizens' Forum will be moved to the March 21, 2017 meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:26 p.m.

  
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Marilyn Strickland, Mayor

  
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Doris Sorum, City Clerk