



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

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April 07, 2020

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Ushka, Walker and Mayor Woodards

All Council Members participated virtually.

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Council Member McCarthy.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

In honor of those who have lost their lives in the Coronavirus pandemic.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

There were no items filed in the City Clerk's Office.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. [20-0259](#) Minutes of the joint City Council and Tacoma Public Library Board of Trustees study session, February 18, 2020.
2. [20-0260](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, February 25, 2020.
3. [20-0261](#) Minutes of the joint City Council and Public Utility Board study session, March 3, 2020.

RESOLUTIONS

4. [RES40579](#) A resolution amending Resolution No. 40570, relating to the Tideflats Interim Regulations public hearing, to change the public hearing date to Tuesday, May 5, 2020, upon completion of Regular Agenda Items, no earlier than 5:15 p.m.
[Steve Atkinson, Principal Planner; Peter Huffman, Director,
Planning and Development Services]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Blocker moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 40579.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 40579. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Ushka,
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.

Public Comment ended at 5:05 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

5. [20-0272](#) A motion may be considered to authorize the City’s full and final settlement of all personal injury claims by Stephanie Fallon in the matter of Stephanie Fallon and Reyna Brito v. City of Tacoma and Daniel Minnetti, Pierce County Superior Court Cause No. 18-2-11790-4, relating to an automobile accident, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$375,000. This represents the City’s contribution to the total settlement.

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SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

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

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Ushka, Walker and Mayor Woodards

RESOLUTIONS

6. [RES40580](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Tacoma Power Unit, to create a new classification, amending a pay scale, and clarifying temporary upgrades. [Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Blocker moved to adopt Resolution No. 40580.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

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

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Ushka, Walker and Mayor Woodards

7. [RES40581](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Tacoma Power Unit, regarding the classification of Systems Power Dispatcher Candidate.
[Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Blocker moved to adopt Resolution No. 40581.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

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

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Ushka, Walker and Mayor Woodards

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

8. [ORD28666](#) 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 International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Tacoma Power Unit.
[Kari L. Louie, Senior Compensation and Benefits Manager; Gary Buchanan, Director, Human Resources]

Ordinance No. 28666 was set over for final reading next week.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS

9. [20-0257](#) This is the date set for a public hearing by the City Council on the proposed amendments to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development projects.
[Darian Lightfoot, Contract and Program Auditor; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

The public hearing began at 5:11 p.m.

The public hearing will remain open for further written comments until Friday, April 10, 2020, at 5:00 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Elizabeth Pauli introduced Don Ramsdell, Chief, Tacoma Police Department (TPD), to report on what TPD is doing during this time of the Governor's "Stay Home, Stay Healthy" order. Chief Ramsdell provided an update regarding the TPD's method of moving forward in patrol force and community policing, including new hires, training, one-officer cars, filled position vacancies, patrol force numbers, communication with business district owners and neighborhood council members, and aiding in providing lunches.

Discussion ensued regarding communication with the public, policies for South Sound 911 and dispatch protocols, the number of homicides year-to-date, police presence, and patrol force numbers.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Woodards reminded everyone of the City Council special meeting on Friday, April 10, 2020, at 2:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk