



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

December 11, 2018

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, Mello and Thoms

Absent: 3 - McCarthy, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Council Member Mello.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [18-1456](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Arts Commission, November 13, 2018.

CONSENT AGENDA

2. [18-1390](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, October 2, 2018.
3. [18-1457](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, October 9, 2018.

MOTION: Council Member 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: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, Mello and Thoms

Absent: 3 - McCarthy, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:06 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Kathy Lawhon, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28566.

Public Comment ended at 5:08 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

APPOINTMENTS

4. [RES40180](#) A resolution appointing Kristina Walker to the Foss Waterway Development Authority.
[Doris Sorum, City Clerk; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

MOTION: Council Member Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 40180.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 5 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Mello and Thoms

Absent: 3 - McCarthy, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Abstain: 1 - Ibsen

RESOLUTIONS

5. [RES40181](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an interagency agreement with the Washington State Health Care Authority, for the Ground Emergency Medical Transportation Intergovernmental Transfer Framework, to recover costs related to Managed Care Medicaid client transports.
[Teresa Green, Fire Department Manager; James P. Duggan, Fire Chief]

MOTION: Council Member Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 40181.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, Mello and Thoms

Absent: 3 - McCarthy, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

6. [RES40182](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with Teamsters Local Union No. 117, Tacoma Venues and Events Unit, consisting of approximately 26 budgeted full-time equivalent positions, effective January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2020.
[Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

MOTION: Council Member Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 40182.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, Mello and Thoms

Absent: 3 - McCarthy, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

7. [RES40183](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with District Lodge No. 160, on behalf of Local Lodge No. 297 of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, Rail Mechanics Unit, consisting of approximately 16 budgeted full-time positions, retroactive to January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2020.
[Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

MOTION: Council Member Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 40183.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, Mello and Thoms

Absent: 3 - McCarthy, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

8. [RES40184](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with District Lodge No. 160, on behalf of Local Lodge No. 297 of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, Rail Track Workers Unit, consisting of approximately eight budgeted full-time positions, retroactive to January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2020.
[Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

MOTION: Council Member Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 40184.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

MOTION: Council Member Thoms moved to amend Resolution No. 40184 on page 1, line 25, after the word “step” to add the following language “and effective January 1, 2020, wages will increase by 3 percent, and” at the request of staff.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, Mello and Thoms

Absent: 3 - McCarthy, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, Mello and Thoms

Absent: 3 - McCarthy, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

9. [RES40185](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Professional Public Safety Management Association, consisting of approximately eight budgeted full-time positions, effective January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2020. [Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

MOTION: Council Member Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 40185.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, Mello and Thoms

Absent: 3 - McCarthy, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

10. [ORD28566](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 8.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to Disorderly Conduct, by amending Section 8.12.180.E, entitled “Unlawful Camping”, to extend the sunset date to December 31, 2019. [Don Ramsdell, Police Chief]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28566.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, Mello and Thoms

Absent: 3 - McCarthy, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

11. [ORD28567](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation for represented and non-represented employees; and changes in classifications to reflect the organizational structure. [Kari Louie, Senior Compensation and Benefits Manager; Gary Buchanan, Director, Human Resources]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28567 was set over for final reading next week.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

CITIZENS' FORUM

Citizens' Forum began at 5:25 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Paul Chromey, 6826 South "D" Street, speaking on City staff and customer service.
2. Veronica Reed, resident, speaking on domestic violence and police conduct.
3. Oneida Arnold, 2618 North Carr Street, speaking on WestRock and Tideflats regulations.
4. Jerome Mylet, 7674 19th Street West, speaking on road repair.
5. Norma Ramirez, 819 North Washington Street, speaking on the Northwest Detention Center (NWDC).
6. Kyle Jolibois, resident, speaking on liquefied natural gas (LNG) and road repair.
7. Kathy Lawhon, resident, speaking on the NWDC and police conduct.
8. Carole Sue Braaten, 2410 Berry Lane East, Fife, speaking on LNG.
9. Steven Storms, resident, speaking on LNG.

Citizens' Forum ended at 5:54 p.m.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

There was no report.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Government Performance and Finance Committee (continued from December 4, 2018)

Deputy Mayor Ibsen, Chair of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, reported at the November 20, 2018 meeting, the Committee received presentations on minimum wage for workers with disabilities and the responsive bidding process. He stated that the December 4, 2018 meeting was cancelled; and at the special joint meeting with the Audit Advisory Board on December 11, 2018, the Committee received presentations on the 2018 audit entrance conference, environmentally and socially responsible investing, a process for filling Council vacancies, and proposed changes to Citywide collections process; and interviewed applicants for the Board of Ethics.

Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee

Council Member Mello, Chair of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, stated that the November 28, 2018 meeting was cancelled; and the Committee held a special meeting on December 6, 2018, where the Committee received a presentation on electric vehicles, and interviewed applicants for the Landmarks Preservation Commission. He concluded by stating the next meeting will be a special meeting tomorrow, December 12, 2018, at 4:00 p.m., and will include presentations on commingled recycling, accessory dwelling units, and urban agriculture assessment report findings.

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MOTION: Council Member Thoms moved to excuse Mayor Woodards and Council Members McCarthy and Ushka from the meeting.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, Mello and Thoms

Absent: 3 - McCarthy, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk