



# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

Dial: 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 848 3423 3126

Webinar Link: [www.zoom.us/j/84834233126](http://www.zoom.us/j/84834233126) Passcode: 349099

**November 24, 2020**

**6:00 PM**

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## VIRTUAL FORUM

Virtual Forum will begin at 6:00 p.m., or in the event the regular meeting of the City Council adjourns after 6:00 p.m., promptly following such adjournment.

The purpose of the Virtual Forum is to give community members an additional opportunity to share their thoughts and views to assist the Council in making policy decisions; therefore, items of discussion shall be limited to matters over which the City Council has jurisdiction. No action shall be taken by the City Council during the Virtual Forum.

Attendance for this Forum is available by phone by dialing 253-215-8782 or through Zoom at [www.zoom.us/j/84834233126](http://www.zoom.us/j/84834233126) and entering the Meeting ID 848 3423 3126 and Passcode 349099, when prompted. To sign up to speak during Community Member Comments, press the Raise Hand button near the bottom of your Zoom window or \*9 on your phone. Your name or the last four digits of your phone number will be called out when it is your turn to speak. All speakers will have up to 90 seconds to speak. Where necessary, due to the number of persons who want to address the Council, the presiding officer shall retain authority to limit all persons' remarks to an equal period of less than 90 seconds.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Woodards called the Virtual Forum to order at 9:51 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 7 - Beale, Blocker, Hines, Thoms, Ushka, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 2 - Hunter and McCarthy

Council Member McCarthy arrived at 9:53 p.m.

All Council Members participated virtually.

**COMMUNITY MEMBER COMMENTS**

Community Member Comments began at 9:52 p.m.

The City Clerk’s Office received two written comments for Community Member Comments, regarding homelessness.

Council Member McCarthy arrived here, at 9:53 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

- 1. Dee Sonntag, regarding the City budget, homelessness, and the Tacoma Police Department.
- 2. Kenneth Stepien, regarding the City budget.

Community Member Comments ended at 9:59 p.m.

**OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST**

There were no other items of interest.

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**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Blocker moved to excuse Council Member Hunter from the meeting.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hines, McCarthy, Thoms, Ushka, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Hunter

**ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the Virtual Forum was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

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Doris Sorum, City Clerk