



# City of Tacoma

## City Council Agenda

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402

Council Chambers

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

**January 6, 2026**

**5:00 PM**

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### **CALL TO ORDER**

SWEARING IN CEREMONY FOR THE ELECTED AND RE-ELECTED  
COUNCIL MEMBERS AND MAYOR

### **ROLL CALL**

### **FLAG SALUTE**

### **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

### **ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK**

1. [25-1121](#) Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, March 26, 2025.  
Attachments: [LPCMin20250326](#)
2. [25-1122](#) Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, April 9, 2025.  
Attachments: [LPCMin20250409](#)
3. [25-1123](#) Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, April 23, 2025.  
Attachments: [LPCMin20250423](#)
4. [25-1133](#) Minutes of the Operational Strategy and Administrative Committee, November 14, 2025.  
Attachments: [OSACMin20251114](#)
5. [25-1130](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, November 5, 2025.  
Attachments: [PUBSSMin20251105](#)

6. [25-1131](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, November 5, 2025.  
Attachments: [PUBMin20251105](#)
7. [25-1132](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board special meeting, November 17, 2025.  
Attachments: [PUBMin20251117SpMtq](#)

## AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

## CONSENT AGENDA

### INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS

8. [RES41827](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an amendment to the interlocal agreement with the Washington State Department of Ecology, in the amount of \$2,099,756, accepting and depositing said sum into the Stormwater Fund, for a total of \$3,324,043, to monitor stormwater transport of contaminants of emerging concern in Western Washington, through March 31, 2028.  
[Brandi Lubliner, P.E., Principal Engineer; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director/City Engineer, Environmental Services]  
Attachments: [Resolution No. 41827](#)  
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)  
[Amendment](#)

### PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

9. [RES41828](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Carollo Engineers, Inc., in the amount of \$1,376,824, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the Wastewater Fund, for engineering services for replacement of pump station variable frequency drives at the Central Treatment Plant - Architectural and Engineering Roster Contract No. CW2279132.  
[Lance Bunch, P.E., Principal Engineer; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E., PgMP, Director/City Engineer, Environmental Services]  
Attachments: [Resolution No. 41828](#)  
[Contract and Award Memorandum](#)

## FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

10. [ORD29090](#) An ordinance vacating a seven-foot-wide strip of North 44th Street, between Waterview Street and the alley, to cure an existing building encroachment and facilitate future development.

(Michael and Shelly Reed; File No. 124.1465)

[Jeff H. Capell, Hearing Examiner]

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 29090](#)

[City Council Action Memorandum](#)

[Hearing Examiner's Report and Recommendation](#)

[Exhibits](#)

[Audio Recording of Public Hearing](#)

## PAYMENTS

11. [25-1144](#) Date Range - 12/01/2025 to 12/14/2025

Payroll in the amount of \$24,144,646.79; Payments in the amount of \$27,528,961.59; for a total of \$51,673,608.38.

## PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

12. [25-1127](#) Proclaiming January 2026 as National Mentoring Month.

13. [25-1128](#) Proclaiming January 2026 as Whole Child Month.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

This is the time set aside for public comment on motions, resolutions, and first and final reading of ordinances. Speakers are asked to identify the specific legislation they wish to address. Comments will not be accepted on ordinances forwarded to the City Council by the Hearing Examiner for which a public hearing has already been held. On tonight's agenda that includes Ordinance No. 29090. To comment virtually, use the Zoom link or phone number listed at the top of the agenda and press the Raise Hand button near the bottom of your Zoom window or \*9 on your phone; if speaking in person, please sign in at the back of the Council Chambers. Your name or the last four digits of your phone number will be called out when it is your turn to speak.

Written comments may be submitted to [cityclerk@tacoma.gov](mailto:cityclerk@tacoma.gov) at least 24 hours prior to the Tuesday evening City Council meeting for the Public Comment period. Comments will be compiled and sent to the City Council and posted online.

## REGULAR AGENDA

### APPOINTMENTS

14. [RES41829](#) A resolution appointing Sergio Flores as Judge to Tacoma Municipal Court, Department No. 2, through December 31, 2026, until a successor is elected and qualified under the 2026 General Election.  
[Mayor Ibsen]  
Attachments: [Resolution No. 41829](#)  
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)

15. [RES41830](#) A resolution appointing and reappointing individuals to the Community's Police Advisory Committee.  
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]  
Attachments: [Resolution No. 41830](#)  
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)

16. [RES41831](#) A resolution appointing and reappointing individuals to the Landmarks Preservation Commission.  
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]  
Attachments: [Resolution No. 41831](#)  
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)

17. [RES41832](#) A resolution appointing and reappointing individuals to the Tacoma Arts Commission.  
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]  
Attachments: [Resolution No. 41832](#)  
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)

18. [RES41833](#) A resolution appointing individuals to the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board.  
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]  
Attachments: [Resolution No. 41833](#)  
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)

19. [RES41834](#) A resolution appointing City Council Members to various national, state, regional, and local committees, boards, and commissions, including the City Council's Standing Committees, through December 31, 2026.  
[Mayor Ibsen]  
Attachments: [Resolution No. 41834](#)  
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)

20. [RES41835](#) A resolution nominating and electing Council Member Joe Bushnell to the office of Deputy Mayor to serve a one-year term to expire December 31, 2026.  
[Mayor Ibsen]

Attachments: [Resolution No. 41835](#)

[City Council Action Memorandum](#)

## **PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS**

21. [RES41836](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Psomas Inc., in the amount of \$2,011,861.72, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the Transportation Capital Fund, for planning, data collection, and design services for the Portland Avenue Vision Zero Improvements project - Specification No. PW24-0308F.

[Charla Kinlow, Engineering Project Manager; Jeffrey A. Jenkins, Director, Public Works]

Attachments: [Resolution No. 41836](#)

[Contract and Award Memorandum](#)

[Map](#)

22. [RES41837](#) A resolution awarding a contract to R.L. Alia Company, in the amount of \$4,107,365.00, plus a 15 percent contingency, budgeted from various funds, for roadway surface improvements, ADA-compliant curb ramps, stormwater main replacement, and a new pedestrian and bicycle connection, for a projected contract total of \$4,723,469.75, plus applicable taxes - Specification No. PW25-0198F.

[Veronica Munyao, Engineering Project Manager; Jeffrey A. Jenkins, Director, Public Works]

Attachments: [Resolution No. 41837](#)

[Contract and Award Memorandum](#)

23. [RES41838](#) A resolution awarding a contract to US Oil & Refining Co., in the amount of \$3,218,750.00, plus a 35 percent contingency, budgeted from the Asphalt Plant Fund, for bulk asphalt oils, for an initial contract term of five years, for a projected contract total of \$4,345,312.50, plus applicable taxes - Specification No. PW25-0268F.

[Jacob Green, Street Operations Division Manager; Jeffrey A. Jenkins, Director, Public Works]

Attachments: [Resolution No. 41838](#)

[Contract and Award Memorandum](#)

24. [RES41839](#) A resolution authorizing an increase to and extending the contract with Herrera Environmental Consultants, Inc., in the amount of \$1,589,181, budgeted from the Stormwater Fund, to continue a field study to monitor stormwater and storm sediments for contaminants of emerging concerns, for a projected contract total of \$2,799,468, plus applicable taxes, through April 30, 2028 - Architectural and Engineering Roster Contract No. CW2265700.

[Brandi Lubliner, P.E., Principal Engineer; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director/City Engineer, Environmental Services]

Attachments: [Resolution No. 41839](#)

[Contract and Award Memorandum](#)

## RESOLUTIONS

25. [RES41840](#) A resolution authorizing the submittal of an application for a low-interest Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan from the Washington State Department of Health, in the estimated amount of \$1,000,000, for two water main replacement projects.

[Marc Powell, Senior Business Services Analyst; Keri Burchard-Juarez, Water Superintendent]

Attachments: [Resolution No. 41840](#)

[City Council Action Memorandum](#)

[Board Action Memorandum](#)

26. [RES41841](#) An amended resolution approving the cancellation of the following regular City Council meetings and study sessions in 2026: January 20, February 17, March 17, April 7, May 26, September 1, September 8, November 24, December 22, and December 29.

[Mayor Ibsen]

Attachments: [Amended Resolution No. 41841](#)

[Resolution No. 41841](#)

[City Council Action Memorandum](#)

## FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

27. [ORD29079](#) An ordinance granting a non-exclusive ten-year telecommunications franchise agreement to SQF, LLC dba Verta, to construct, operate, and repair a telecommunications system in the City.

[Jeff Lueders, Cable and Franchise Services Division Manager; Amy Clancy, Director, Media and Communications]

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 29079](#)

[City Council Action Memorandum](#)

28. [\*\*ORD29087\*\*](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 6A.70 of the Municipal Code, relating to Local Option Taxes, by adding new Sections 6A.70.043 and 6A.70.044, and imposing a local one-tenth of one percent sales and use tax, to fund investments in criminal justice, effective April 1, 2026.  
[Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 29087](#)

[City Council Action Memorandum](#)

## **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

29. [\*\*ORD29091\*\*](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 12.10 of the Municipal Code, relating to Water - Regulations and Rates, by amending Section 12.10.310, entitled "System development charge", for charge adjustments and annual increases, effective February 1, 2026.  
[Andrew Zaremba, Principal Data Analyst; Keri Burchard-Juarez, Water Superintendent]

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 29091](#)

[City Council Action Memorandum](#)

[Board Action Memorandum](#)

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

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

### **ADJOURNMENT**

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