



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

October 30, 2018

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:12 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute and presentation of the colors were led by the Sea Scouts.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

In honor of the victims of the Pittsburgh synagogue and Louisville Kroger shootings.

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Council Member Thoms was welcomed back from active duty with a bell ceremony performed by the Sea Scouts.

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Council Member Camarata was recognized for his work while serving as Interim District No. 2 Council Member.

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [18-1273](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, September 26, 2018.
2. [18-1275](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, September 26, 2018.
3. [18-1276](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, September 26, 2018.

4. [18-1277](#) List of names and informal petition regarding local health professionals urging protections for air and climate.
5. [18-1278](#) List of names and informal petition regarding protecting Tacoma's Tideflats.

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS

6. [RES40143](#) A resolution setting Thursday, December 6, 2018, at 9:00 a.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on the request to vacate the west portion of South 1st Street, between South G Street and Tacoma Avenue South, to facilitate a new senior housing development.
(5 South G Street, LLC; File No. 124.1389)
[Troy Stevens, Senior Real Estate Specialist; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

7. [ORD28536](#) An ordinance requesting a planned residential development overlay classification be added to 8.94 acres of mostly undeveloped land in the "R-2" Single-Family Dwelling District, generally located at 1239 East 54th Street, to allow for a Planned Residential Development of 94 units/lots for single-family, and townhouse residences.
(CFW LLC; File No. LU18-0120)
[Jeff H. Capell, Hearing Examiner]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 40143 and first reading of Ordinance No. 28536.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner for Ordinance No. 28536.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 40143 and setting Ordinance No. 28536 over to a date to be determined.

The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

8. [18-1272](#) Proclaiming Sunday, November 11, 2018 as United States Congressional Gold Medal for Filipino and American World War II Veterans Recognition Day.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed Sunday, November 11, 2018 as United States Congressional Gold Medal for Filipino and American World War II Veterans Recognition Day, and presented the proclamation to General Oscar Hilman, Executive Director of the Filipino Veterans Recognition and Education Project, Region 8.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS

18-1279 This is the date set for a public hearing by the City Council on the proposed Ad Valorem tax levy and Emergency Medical Services tax levy for 2019. [Katie Johnston, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

The public hearing began at 5:32 p.m.

No one came forward to address the City Council.

The public hearing ended at 5:41 p.m.

18-1280 This is the date set for the first public hearing by the City Council on the proposed 2019-2020 Biennial Budget. [Katie Johnston, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

The public hearing began at 5:42 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Carl Anderson, 909 North "I" Street.
2. Michael DePonte, 9310 Woodland Avenue East, Puyallup.
3. Miriam Barnett, 1716 North Junett Street.
4. Eric Staley, 1442 Ozette Drive, Fox Island.
5. Tracy Ward, 13306 108th Avenue Court East, Puyallup.

The public hearing ended at 5:54 p.m.

18-1281 This is the date set for the first public hearing by the City Council on the proposed 2019-2020 Capital Budget and 2019-2024 Capital Facilities Program. [Katie Johnston, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

The public hearing began at 5:55 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Darren Nienaber, People and Otters.

The public hearing ended at 5:59 p.m.

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The City Council meeting recessed at 5:59 p.m.

The City Council meeting reconvened at 6:12 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 6:12 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Kenneth Coble, Citizens for a Healthy Bay (CHB), speaking on Ordinance No. 28542.
2. Nathan McCurtain, 245 Saint Helens Avenue, speaking on Ordinance No. 28542.
3. Kat Wood, 822 131st Street Court East, speaking on Ordinance No. 28542.
4. Anna Doty, Washington Environmental Council (WEC), speaking on Ordinance No. 28542.
5. Erin Dilworth, CHB, speaking on Ordinance No. 28542.
6. Norma Ramirez, The Conversation, speaking on Ordinance No. 28542.
7. Melissa Malott, CHB, speaking on Ordinance No. 28542.
8. Laura Skelton, Washington Physicians for Social Responsibility, speaking on Ordinance No. 28542.
9. Todd Iverson, International Longshore and Warehouse Union, Local 23, speaking on Ordinance No. 28542.
10. Barb Church, 6402 1st Street Court Northeast, speaking on Ordinance No. 28542.
11. Vince Kueter, 914 South 5th Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28541.
12. Meredith Neal, Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber of Commerce, speaking on Ordinance No. 28542.
13. Deirdre Wilson, Port of Tacoma, speaking on Ordinance No. 28542.
14. Jordan Royer, Pacific Merchant Shipping Association, speaking on Ordinance No. 28542.
15. Rita Andreeva, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28542 and Resolution No. 40151.
16. Mindy Roberts, WEC, speaking on Ordinance No. 28542.
17. Tracy Wiegman, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28542.
18. Chrissy Cooley, Protect Tacoma Tidelands, speaking on Ordinance No. 28542.
19. Kristin Ang, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28542.

Public Comment ended at 7:01 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

APPOINTMENTS

9. [RES40144](#) A resolution appointing individuals to the City Events and Recognitions Committee.
[Doris Sorum, City Clerk; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40144.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

10. [RES40145](#) A resolution revising the appointments of City Council Members to various national, state, regional, and local committees, boards, and commissions, including the City Council's Standing Committees, for the years 2018 and 2019.
[Mayor Woodards]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40145.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

11. [RES40146](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Atlantic Diving Supply, Inc., in the amount of \$216,930, including applicable sales tax, budgeted from the General and Special Revenue Funds, for night-vision technology - GSA Schedule 84, GS-07F-5965P.
[Bob Maule, Police Lieutenant; Donald Ramsdell, Police Chief]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40146.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

12. [RES40147](#) A resolution authorizing an increase to the contract with James W. Fowler Co., in the amount of \$276,180.76, plus applicable sales tax, for a total of \$2,253,037.76, budgeted from the 2017 Dome Bond Fund, for the Tacoma Dome Arena Concrete and Loading Dock project - Specification No. PF18-0157F.
[Matt Balk, Operations Manager; Kim Bedier, Director, Tacoma Venues and Events]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40147.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

13. [RES40148](#) A resolution authorizing an increase to the contract with Western Ventures Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$159,937.01, plus applicable sales tax, for a total of \$5,159,937.01, budgeted from the 2017 Dome Bond Fund, for the Tacoma Dome Artists Quarters project - Specification No. PF18-0158F.
[Matt Balk, Operations Manager; Kim Bedier, Director, Tacoma Venues and Events]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40148.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

14. [RES40149](#) A resolution authorizing an increase to the contract with Western Ventures Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$269,754.03, plus applicable sales tax, for a total of \$4,669,754.03, budgeted from the 2017 Dome Bond Fund, for the Tacoma Dome Arena Level Restrooms project - Specification No. PF18-0159F.
[Matt Balk, Operations Manager; Kim Bedier, Director, Tacoma Venues and Events]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40149.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

RESOLUTIONS

15. [RES40150](#) A resolution initiating the planning process and negotiation of an interlocal agreement with Pierce County regarding the proposed annexation of the Manitou Potential Annexation Area.
[Brian Boudet, Planning Manager; Peter Huffman, Director,
Planning and Development Services]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40150.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

16. [RES40151](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a permanent easement to Sound Transit, upon and across Police Substation property, located at South 15th Street and Martin Luther King Jr. Way, for the placement, construction, operation, and maintenance of a traction power substation, to provide electrical services to the Hilltop Tacoma Link Extension.
[Ronda Cornforth, Senior Real Estate Specialist; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E.,
Director, Public Works]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40151.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 7 - Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 2 - Beale and McCarthy

17. [RES40152](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing Eight-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Tacoma Land Investments LLC and Tacoma Terrace LLC, for development of 78 multi-family market-rate rental housing units, located at 1924-1940 Yakima Avenue in the Downtown Regional Growth Center.

[Debbie Bingham, Economic Development Specialist; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40152.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

18. [RES40153](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing Eight-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Tacoma Land Investments LLC, for development of 30 multi-family market-rate rental housing units, located at 1925 South "I" Street in the Downtown Regional Growth Center.

[Debbie Bingham, Economic Development Specialist; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40153.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

19. [ORD28534](#) An ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of Sewer Revenue Bonds, in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$110 million, to finance or reimburse the costs associated with the construction, improvement and equipping of the municipal sewer system, and to pay costs of issuance, and delegating the authority to approve the final terms of the bonds.

[Teresa Sedmak, City Treasurer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28534.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

20. [ORD28537](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 6B.165 of the Municipal Code, relating to Provisional Rental Property License, to establish a no-fee license and shortened license term for all rental property owners who fall under the requirements of said license for a first time offense; increase penalties for repeat offenses or noncompliance; and address areas of inconsistency in the tax and license codes.

[Danielle Larson, Tax and License Manager; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28537 was set over for final reading next week.

21. [ORD28538](#) An ordinance amending Title 6 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Tax and License Code, by amending various chapters to add a new minimum license threshold, as required by state law, and to update language.

[Danielle Larson, Tax and License Manager; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28538 was set over for final reading next week.

22. [ORD28539](#) An ordinance amending Title 6 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Tax and License Code, by amending and repealing various chapters to update language and address areas of inconsistency.

[Danielle Larson, Tax and License Manager; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28539 was set over for final reading next week.

23. [ORD28540](#) An ordinance amending Title 6 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Tax and License Code, by amending various chapters to address areas of inconsistency and update language related to the regulation of entertainment, dancing, and show business activities.
[Danielle Larson, Tax and License Manager; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28540 was set over for final reading next week.

24. [ORD28541](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 18.20 of the Municipal Code, relating to Minimum Wage, by repealing in its entirety Section 18.20.080, entitled “Review,” to remove language requiring a study be conducted on the City’s minimum wage law.
[Danielle Larson, Tax and License Manager; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28541 was set over for final reading next week.

25. [ORD28542](#) An ordinance approving a six-month extension of the Tideflats Interim Regulations as originally approved by Amended Ordinance No. 28470.
[Brian Boudet, Planning Manager; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28542 was set over for final reading on November 13, 2018.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS

26. [18-1279](#) This is the date set for a public hearing by the City Council on the proposed Ad Valorem tax levy and Emergency Medical Services tax levy for 2019.
[Katie Johnston, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

The public hearing occurred earlier in the meeting.

27. [18-1280](#) This is the date set for the first public hearing by the City Council on the proposed 2019-2020 Biennial Budget.
[Katie Johnston, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

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28. [18-1281](#) This is the date set for the first public hearing by the City Council on the proposed 2019-2020 Capital Budget and 2019-2024 Capital Facilities Program.
[Katie Johnston, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

The public hearing occurred earlier in the meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

There was no report.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Community Vitality and Safety Committee (continued from October 23, 2018)

Council Member Blocker, Chair of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, reported at the September 27, 2018 meeting, the Committee received presentations on the Neighborhood Council Program and Rental Housing Code. He stated at the October 11, 2018 meeting, the Committee received presentations on the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and 2019-2020 sustained contracts and competitive funding; and the October 25, 2018 meeting was cancelled.

Council Member Blocker concluded by stating the next meeting will be on November 8, 2018 and the Committee will interview applicants for the Citizen Police Advisory Committee.

Economic Development Committee

Council Member McCarthy, Chair of the Economic Development Committee, reported at the October 9, 2018 meeting, the Committee interviewed applicants for the City Events and Recognitions Committee and received a presentation on Downtown On the Go’s Live Work Tacoma Program. He stated at the October 23, 2018 meeting, the Committee received a presentation on parking changes at the Tacoma Dome Station and a briefing from the Manufacturing Industrial Council. He concluded by stating that today’s meeting was cancelled and the next meeting will be on November 13, 2018.

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Council Member Thoms thanked his fellow Council Members and staff for the warm welcome back.

Mayor Woodards provided information on a vigil for the victims of the Pittsburgh synagogue shooting on Wednesday, October 31, 2018, at the Shiloh Baptist Church, located at 1211 South “I” Street, at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Woodards reminded everyone that tomorrow is Halloween and to be mindful of the families out celebrating, and that next Tuesday is Election Day and encouraged all citizens to exercise their right to vote.

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk