



# City of Tacoma City Council Study Session Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

October 07, 2014

2:00 PM

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## Call to Order

Mayor Strickland called the meeting to order at 2:08 p.m.

**Present:** 7 - Boe, Ibsen, Lonergan, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 2 - Campbell and Mello

Council Member Campbell arrived at 2:09 p.m.

## Briefing Items

1. **14-0947** 2015-2016 Proposed Biennial Budget Transmittal to Council and Budget Presentation.

Mayor Strickland and City Manager T.C. Broadnax provided opening remarks regarding the budget process and an overview of today's agenda.

Council Member Campbell arrived here, at 2:09 p.m.

Mr. Broadnax continued to review the 2015-2016 proposed Biennial Budget, including the 2013-2014 Biennium Budget, a six-year forecast, General Fund forecast, and the structural gap within current services. He then reviewed the proposed budget development process, including community feedback, budget strategy, a citywide budget overview, and a breakdown by department. He reviewed the proposed General Fund budget for 2015-2016, including revenues relative to property, business, sales, and utility taxes; efficiencies and enhancements relative to expenses; and priority services relative to, infrastructure, public safety, economic development, libraries, deferred maintenance, and community services funding.

He concluded by reviewing organizational changes, creation of the Office of Equity and Human Rights, unfunded items, Council budget workshops, and community meetings. Discussion ensued regarding contributions to funding for the 2015 US Open Chambers Bay and other municipalities participating, street infrastructure and pothole repair, fee structure improvements, General Fund

revenues, and public feedback.

## **Other Items of Interest**

There were no other items of interest.

## **Agenda Review and City Manager's Weekly Report**

2.      **14-0948**      Weekly Report to the City Council, October 2, 2014
- City Manager Broadnax stated there will be two proclamations proclaiming October 11, 2014 as Arbor Day and Green Tacoma Day; the week of October 5-11, 2014 as Public Power Week and October 13-18, 2014 as Careers in Energy Week; and one presentation for the Disability Advocate of the Year Awards. He stated Ordinance No. 28246 will have two amendments brought forward tonight relative to on-street parking and securing funding for the Sound Transit Tacoma Link lightrail expansion.

## **Adjournment**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:07 p.m.

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Marilyn Strickland, Mayor

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Doris Sorum, City Clerk