



# City of Tacoma Government Performance and Finance Committee Minutes

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**March 01, 2022**

**10:00 AM**

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Chair John Hines, Vice Chair Kristina Walker, Joe Bushnell,  
Sarah Rumbaugh, Kiara Daniels (alternate), Mark Patterson (ex officio)

## Call To Order

Chair Hines called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

## Roll Call

**Present:** 4 - Bushnell, Hines, Rumbaugh and Walker

All Council Members participated virtually.

Ex Officio Member Mark Patterson was also in attendance.

## Approval of Minutes

1. [22-0250](#) Minutes for the special meeting of October 5, 2021
2. [22-0251](#) Minutes for the meeting of October 19, 2021
3. [22-0252](#) Minutes for the meeting of November 2, 2021

**MOTION: Vice Chair Walker moved to approve the minutes of the October 5, 2021, special meeting and the October 19, and November 2, 2021, meetings.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Bushnell.**

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

**Ayes:** 4 - Bushnell, Hines, Rumbaugh and Walker

## Briefing Items

4. [22-0253](#) Monthly Budget Update  
[Hayley Falk, Lead Budget Analyst, Office of Management and Budget]

At approximately 10:02 a.m., Hayley Falk, Lead Budget Analyst, Office of Management and Budget, presented a monthly budget update, including an agenda; the current economic outlook; revenues; the General Fund revenue; personnel; capital, noting the construction cost index, and 2018 facility condition assessment; General Fund financial forecasts; a summary; a timeline; and current projects.

Discussion ensued regarding appreciation for staff, the long term impacts of inflation, and what can be done in 2022 to help solve potential future budget issues.

5. [22-0254](#) Advanced Electric and Water Meters Program Update  
[Andre Pedferri, Advanced Meter Program Manager; Matt Hubbard, Advanced Meter Program Workstream and Change Management Lead, Tacoma Public Utilities ]

At approximately 10:19 a.m., Matt Hubbard, Advanced Meter Program Workstream and Change Management Lead, Tacoma Public Utilities (TPU), presented an update on the advanced electric and water meters program, including an agenda; strategic program; advanced metering infrastructure (AMI); milestones and highlights; deployment progress, noting status as of February 2022, and mass meter deployment; unanticipated global events; meter deployment schedule; February 2022 AMI deployment budget; advanced meter customer benefits, benefits that have become available from 2020 through 2022 as customers receive new meters, benefits as a TPU customer, real world examples, and usage data via the web portal; and Power and Water operations benefits.

Discussion ensued regarding appreciation for staff, how residents can tell if they have received upgraded meters, whether new construction projects are utilizing advanced meters during construction, which type of meters are affected by current supply chain issues, whether the AMI covers the entire TPU service area, and why the upgrade density shown on the map is so varied.

## Topics for Upcoming Meetings

6. [22-0255](#) March 15, 2022 - Cancelled  
April 5, 2022 - Monthly Budget Update, Tacoma Public Utilities Financial Policies and Strategic Directives, Tacoma Power Long-Range Financial Plan

Ted Richardson, Committee Liaison, stated the March 15, 2022, meeting has been cancelled, and the April 5, 2022, meeting will include a monthly budget update, a TPU financial policies and strategic directives presentation, and Tacoma Power's Long-Range Financial Plan.

## Other Items of Interest

Discussion ensued regarding whether the Committee oversees street initiatives; that City Council study sessions and meetings have returned to hybrid meetings as of today, March 1, 2022; and that Jackie Flowers, Utilities Director, provided a memo in response to the Committee meeting of February 15, 2022, regarding the Rainier Connect contract, which was included in the meeting materials.

## Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

## Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.



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John Hines, Chair



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