



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

November 12, 2019

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:16 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Council Member Mello.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [19-1236](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, October 15, 2019.
2. [19-1251](#) Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, May 8, 2019.
3. [19-1252](#) Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, May 22, 2019.
4. [19-1239](#) Minutes of the Planning Commission, May 15, 2019.
5. [19-1240](#) Minutes of the Planning Commission, May 29, 2019.

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MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to suspend the rules to add a resolution, Resolution No. 40474 to tonight’s agenda, as Item 12A, relating to the award of a contract to Pivetta Brothers Construction Inc., at this time.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

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

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

CONSENT AGENDA

- 6. [19-1231](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, October 22, 2019.

RESOLUTIONS

- 7. [RES40469](#) A resolution setting Thursday, January 9, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on the request to vacate a portion of North Visscher Street, lying between North Park Way and North Park Avenue, to facilitate private improvements and landscaping.
(Claire and Gabriel Van Guse; File No. 124.1400)
[Troy Stevens, Senior Real Estate Specialist; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 40469.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 40469. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.

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

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

8. [19-1249](#) Recognizing Mr. Denny Driscoll.

Mayor Woodards presented Mr. Denny Driscoll, a recognition for his generosity on work on behalf of those less fortunate.

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MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to suspend the rules to consider Resolution No. 40472 at this time.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

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

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

11. [RES40472](#) A resolution directing the City Manager to identify \$30,000 in the mid-biennium budget modification for expenses for funding programs that promote public safety, prevent gun violence, and help offset the cost of gun violence in the City; and further directing the City Manager to review and bring recommendations to the City Council on how to use said funding.

[Deputy Mayor McCarthy]

MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to remove Resolution No. 40472 from the agenda.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

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

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:28 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. John Scherer, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.

2. Kerry Slone, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
3. Randy Myron, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
4. Jane Milhans, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
5. Patty Mannie, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
6. Aleta Benedicto, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
7. Greg Evans, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
8. Janeen Provazek, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
9. Davin Jaggard, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
10. Dakota Case, Puyallup Tribe, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
11. Rich Coleman, 5218 Galleon Drive Northeast, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
12. Chris Spieth, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
13. Ed Winskill, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
14. Ann Bickel, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
15. Carol Kindt, 350 Tacoma, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
16. Sharyn Hinchcliffe, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
17. Michael Findlay, National Shooting Sports Foundation, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
18. Scott Dover, Aero Precision, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
19. Janie Vigil, Aero Precision, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
20. Melissa Malott, Citizens for a Healthy Bay, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
21. Bill Adams, Saltwater Unitarian Universalist Church, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
22. Griffin Silver, 350 Tacoma, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
23. Bruce Smith, Surplus Ammo and Arms, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
24. Ryan Foster, Surplus Ammo and Arms, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
25. Esther Day, 214 South 54th Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
26. Ronnie Bush, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
27. James Bush, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
28. Brian Deal, Aero Precision, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
29. Jeff Carson, Aero Precision, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
30. Illyana Zeski, 1003 South Puget Sound Avenue, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
31. Ryan Ruiz, Aero Precision, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
32. John Brewer, Olympia, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
33. Daniel Davies, 1711 South "M" Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
34. Kyle Jolibois, 431 Broadway, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
35. Ryan Rittenhouse, 1719 North Narrow Drive, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
36. Kirk Foreman, 424 Puyallup Avenue, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
37. Grace Hope, 350 Tacoma, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.

38. Erin Rasmussen, 1918 North Lawrence, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
39. Troy Goodman, 4130 East 11th Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
40. Tony Ivey, 1224 South Yakima, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
41. Sarah Cornett, Washington Physicians for Social Responsibility, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
42. Kat Wood, Washington Physicians for Social Responsibility, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
43. John Carlton, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
44. Kathy Lawhon, 1114 South 11th Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
45. Barbara Menne, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
46. George Kelley, Jr., 1601 Tacoma Avenue South, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
47. Cathy Carruthers, 5914 South Park Avenue, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
48. Anna Doty, Washington Environmental Council, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
49. Grace Ritchie, Students Demand Action, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
50. Brian Borgelt, Bull's Eye Shooting Range, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
51. Nancy Hausauer, 1111 North 27th Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
52. Rick Rosenblatt, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624 and Resolution No. 40473.
53. Michael McKinley, 3717 67th Avenue Court West, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
54. Chad Larsen, Aero Precision, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
55. Ziggy Brown, Aero Precision, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
56. Logan Rysemus, Alliance for Gun Responsibility, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
57. Meredith Neal, Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
58. Tom Krilich, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
59. Dan Cummings, 2105 South Hosmer Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
60. Jesse Dunagan, 121 East 58th Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
61. Les Duncan, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
62. Zach Duncan, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
63. Clinton Stuart, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
64. Jessica Zimmerle, Earth Ministry, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
65. Steve Joyce, 3326 North 21st Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.

66. Leanne Kennedy, Pierce Neighbors for Gun Responsibility, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
67. Curtis Bingham, Adventure Protection, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
68. John Zwosta, 914 Forrest Park Drive, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
69. Kim Gatbunton, Pierce County Moms Demand Action, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
70. Katie Scherling, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
71. Ben Canales, 3612 South "J" Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
72. Josh Green, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
73. Jeff Hout, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
74. Deirdre Wilson, Port of Tacoma, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
75. Marlene Crumpton, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
76. Steve Storms, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
77. Nannette Reetz, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
78. Ed Ford, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
79. Jillian Bates, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
80. Sean Arent, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
81. Steve Alldridge, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624 and Resolution No. 40473.
82. Austin Dooley, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
83. Stacy Oaks, 350 Seattle, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
84. Barb Church, 6402 1st Street Court Northeast, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
85. Claire Richards, Seattle, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
86. Elly Claus-McGahan, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
87. Pete Weymiller, Gig Harbor, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
88. Martin LeTourneau, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
89. Marilyn Kimmerling, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
90. Elizabeth Parker, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
91. Robert Kennor, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
92. Bea Christophersen, 3322 North Gove Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
93. Gemma Duggins, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
94. Max Mousseau, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
95. Lisa Grimm, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
96. Lauren Moseman, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
97. Erin Lungwitz, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
98. Nola Thury, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
99. Claudia Riedener, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
100. Benton Cosper, Lakewood, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.

- 101. Adriel Brewster, resident, speaking on Ordinance Nos. 28619 and 28624.
- 102. Bradley Thompson, 350 Tacoma, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.
- 103. Tamra Smilanich, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
- 104. Matthew Chapman, 5503 North 48th Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
- 105. Dan Browitt, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
- 106. Chrissy Cooley, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28619.

Public Comment ended at 8:27 p.m.

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The City Council meeting recessed at 8:28 p.m.

The City Council meeting reconvened at 8:46 p.m.

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REGULAR AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS

- 9. [RES40470](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Customer and Field Services Unit, consisting of approximately 157 budgeted full-time equivalent positions, retroactive to January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2021.
[Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40470.

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

10. [RES40471](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement with the Teamsters Local Union No. 117, Tacoma Venues and Events Unit, to create the classified job title of HVAC Mechanic II.
[Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40471.

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

11. [RES40472](#) A resolution directing the City Manager to identify \$30,000 in the mid-biennium budget modification for expenses for funding programs that promote public safety, prevent gun violence, and help offset the cost of gun violence in the City; and further directing the City Manager to review and bring recommendations to the City Council on how to use said funding.
[Deputy Mayor McCarthy]

Resolution No. 40472 was removed from the agenda earlier in the meeting.

12. [RES40473](#) A resolution directing the City Manager to review existing gun and youth violence reduction groups in the City; convene a workgroup to review best-practices to address gun and youth violence reduction; and review and present fiscal analysis, to include costs of expanding current programs and fiscal impact of any future firearms and ammunition tax on local gun vendors and manufacturers, with Council and the appropriate Council Committees no later than 30 days from passage.
[Council Member Hunter]

MOTION: Council Member Hunter moved to remove Resolution No. 40473 from the agenda.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.

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

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

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

- 12A. [RES40474](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Pivetta Brothers Construction Inc, in the amount of \$6,634,124.97, plus applicable taxes, plus a 15 percent contingency, for a total of \$7,629,244.97, budgeted from various departmental funds, for the reconstruction of East 64th Street between Pacific Avenue and McKinley Avenue, including sewer and water system improvements - Specification No. PW19-0213F.
[Chris Storey, Project Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40474.

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

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

13. [ORD28619](#) An ordinance approving a six-month extension of the Tideflats Interim Regulations, as originally approved by Amended Ordinance No. 28470 and extended by Ordinance Nos. 28542 and 28583.
[Stephen Atkinson, Principal Planner; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28619. The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

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MOTION: Council Member Beale moved that, following passage of Ordinance No. 28619, extending the Tideflats Interim Regulations, and prior to Council's next consideration of extending those regulations, that the City Manager direct Planning staff to establish a method by which the quantity and type of fossil fuels and bio-fuels produced, refined, stored in, and distributed through the City of Tacoma can be determined, and periodically reported to the Council and Mayor. The City Manager should further direct staff to establish a method to gather information on specific fossil fuel facilities in the City of Tacoma, including changes of ownership, mergers and acquisitions, investor presentations and reports, or other public information that may indicate a facility's interest or intent to expand in the future, taking into account broader market trends in oil and gas refining and export in the Pacific Northwest. If this method does not require the consideration of additional City Council legislation, the method would be implemented, and the data furnished to the City Council on a periodic basis, depending on the frequency of availability of data.

SECONDED BY: Mayor Woodards.

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

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

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

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The City Council meeting recessed at 9:04 p.m.

The City Council meeting reconvened at 9:07 p.m.

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14. [ORD28624](#) An ordinance amending Subtitle 6A of the Municipal Code, relating to Tax Code, by adding a new Chapter 6A.120, entitled “Firearms and Ammunition Tax”, to impose a tax on firearms and ammunition to consist of \$25.00 per firearm sold at retail, \$0.02 per round of ammunition .22 caliber or less, and \$0.05 per round of other ammunition sold at retail to raise revenue for funding programs that promote public safety, prevent gun violence, and help offset the impacts and costs of gun violence in the City.
[Danielle Larson, Tax and License Manager; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

MOTION: Council Member Blocker moved as a substitute, Substitute Ordinance No. 28624.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried on the substitution of Ordinance No. 28624. The motion was declared adopted.

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

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to amend Exhibit “A” of Substitute Ordinance No. 28624 on Page 8, line 2, to include the words “and does not include parts or components used to make a firearm” at the end of the definition of “Firearm,” to read as follows:

“Firearm” means a weapon from which a projectile or projectiles may be fired by an explosive such as gunpowder, and does not include parts or components used to make a firearm.”

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to amend Substitute Ordinance No. 28624. The motion was declared adopted.

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

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

MOTION: Council Member Thoms moved to amend Amended Substitute Ordinance No. 28624, to add a new subsection 4 on Page 3, line 10, and Page 5, line 1, to read as follows:

(4) make recommendations to use the funds raised from this tax to assist in developing and implementing a gun buyback program.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to amend Amended Substitute Ordinance No. 28624. The motion was declared adopted.

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

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

MOTION: Council Member Hunter moved to amend Amended Substitute Ordinance No. 28624, by amending section 5 of the ‘be it ordained’ section to include the requirements for a review and the convening of a workgroup pursuant to Resolution No. 40473, and to delay the effective date of the tax imposed by this ordinance until July 1, 2020.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to amend Amended Substitute Ordinance No. 28624. The motion was declared adopted.

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

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Amended Substitute Ordinance No. 28624. The Amended Substitute Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

15. [ORD28627](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to align with provisions contained in agreements negotiated with the Tacoma Joint Labor Committee; the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Customer and Field Services Unit; and the Teamsters Local Union No. 117, Tacoma Venues and Events Unit.
[Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28627 was set over for final reading next week.

16. [ORD28628](#) An ordinance fixing the amount of the Ad Valorem tax levies necessary to identify the amount of the estimated revenues from property tax levies to match estimated expenditures for debt service and other funding requirements.
[Katie Johnston, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28628 was set over for final reading next week.

17. [ORD28629](#) An ordinance authorizing an increase in the 2020 general property tax revenue collection in terms of both dollars and percentage.
[Katie Johnston, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28629 was set over for final reading next week.

18. [ORD28630](#) An ordinance fixing the amount of the Emergency Medical Services levy necessary to identify the amount of the estimated revenues from the property tax levy to match estimated expenditures for debt service and other funding requirements.
[Katie Johnston, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28630 was set over for final reading next week.

19. [ORD28631](#) An ordinance authorizing an increase for the 2020 Emergency Medical Services property tax levy in terms of both dollars and percentage.
[Katie Johnston, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28631 was set over for final reading next week.

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- 22. [19-1237](#) This is the date set for a public hearing by the City Council on the proposed modifications to the 2019-2020 Biennial Budget and the 2019-2020 Capital Budget. [Katie Johnston, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

The public hearing began at 9:52 p.m.

No individuals addressed the City Council.

The public hearing ended at 9:58 p.m.

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- 20. [ORD28632](#) An ordinance modifying the 2019-2020 Biennial Budget to appropriate funds for contractual obligations, transfers, and other budget adjustments; authorizing interfund transfers and contributions; and accepting, depositing, and appropriating miscellaneous donations, contributions, and/or fees. [Katie Johnston, Budget Manager; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28632 was set over for final reading next week.

- 21. [ORD28633](#) An ordinance modifying the 2019-2020 Capital Budget to recognize changes in transfers, additional revenues, and budget adjustments. [Katie Johnston, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28633 was set over for final reading next week.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS

22. [19-1237](#) This is the date set for a public hearing by the City Council on the proposed modifications to the 2019-2020 Biennial Budget and the 2019-2020 Capital Budget. [Katie Johnston, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

The Public Hearing was held earlier in the meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

CITIZENS' FORUM

Citizens' Forum began at 9:59 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Kyle Jolibois, 431 Broadway, speaking on the port, affordable housing, and liquefied natural gas (LNG).
2. Kathy Lawhon, 1114 South 11th Street No. 417, speaking on Tideflats interim regulations.
3. David Thompson, South End Neighborhood Council, speaking on crosswalks.
4. Matthew Theoe, resident, speaking on actively listening.
5. Steve Storms, resident, speaking on LNG.
6. Nanette Reetz, resident, speaking on LNG.
7. Ed Ford, resident, speaking on fraud.

Citizens' Forum ended at 10:20 p.m.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

There was no report.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Community Vitality and Safety Committee

Council Member Blocker, Chair of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, reported at the October 24, 2019 meeting, the Committee received a presentation on policies establishing shelters for homeless individuals. He stated the next meeting will be held on November 14, 2019, at 4:30 p.m. in Conference Room 248 of the Tacoma Municipal Building, and will include interviews for the Citizen Police Advisory Committee and presentations on the chronic nuisance code implementation, code compliance pilot program, and mental health co-responder program.

Economic Development Committee

Council Member Thoms, Chair of the Economic Development Committee, reported at the October 22, 2019 meeting, the Committee received a presentation on proposed changes to the commercial office space incentive; at the October 29, 2019 meeting, the Committee received presentations on green economy policy recommendations and Tacoma Public Utilities' economic development strategy; and at the November 12, 2019 meeting, the Committee held interviews for the Tacoma Arts Commission. He concluded by stating the November 26, 2019 meeting is cancelled and the next meeting will be held on December 10, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. in Conference Room 248 of the Tacoma Municipal Building.

Government Performance and Finance Committee

There was no report.

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MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to excuse Deputy Mayor McCarthy from the meeting.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

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

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 10:23 p.m.

Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk