



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

April 21, 2015

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Strickland called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Deputy Mayor Boe.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [15-0411](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, March 24, 2015.
2. [15-0415](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, February 18, 2015.
3. [15-0417](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, March 18, 2015.
4. [15-0399](#) Minutes of the Joint Municipal Action Committee, March 13, 2015.
5. [15-0389](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, March 11, 2015.
6. [15-0390](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, March 11, 2015.
7. [15-0391](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board special meeting, March 17, 2015.
8. [15-0398](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Arts Commission, March 9, 2015.

CONSENT AGENDA

APPEALS

9. [15-0403](#) Nigel S. Malden representing the appellant Matthew Austin appealing the recommendation of the Hearing Examiner regarding the Assessment Roll for Local Improvement District No. 8648 for the placement of permanent pavement with curbs and necessary storm drainage on South 69th Street, from Durango Street to South Madison Street, and on South Proctor Street, from South 69th Street north approximately 225 feet.

Setting Tuesday, June 16, 2015, at approximately 5:30 p.m., as the date set for the appeal by the City Council.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt the Consent Agenda.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

10. [15-0418](#) Proclaiming Wednesday, April 22, 2015 as Earth Day in the City of Tacoma.

Mayor Strickland proclaimed April 22, 2015 as Earth Day in the City of Tacoma and presented the proclamation to Jim Parvey, Environmental Services Department.

11. [15-0414](#) Proclaiming Sunday, April 26, 2015 as Domestic Violence Awareness Day in the City of Tacoma.

Mayor Strickland proclaimed April 26, 2015 as Domestic Violence Awareness Day in the City of Tacoma and presented the proclamation to Susan Adams, Director of the Crystal Judson Family Justice Center.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:14 p.m.

Speaking before the Council:

1. Agnes Pate, Sustainable Tacoma Commission Member, speaking on the Earth Day proclamation.

Public Comment ended at 5:17 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

APPOINTMENTS

12. [RES39172](#) A resolution appointing Keith Stone to the Foss Waterway Development Authority.
 [Doris Sorum, City Clerk; Elizabeth Pauli, City Attorney]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39172.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

13. [RES39173](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Gary Merlino Construction Co., Inc., in the amount of \$9,060,856.39, plus a 5.5 percent contingency, for a cumulative total of \$9,559,752.00, including sales tax, budgeted from the Transportation Capital Fund, for the reconstruction of Port of Tacoma Road from Marshall Avenue to East 11th Street, including a new water main from Lincoln Avenue to East 11th Street - Specification No. PW14-0696F.
 [Tom Rutherford, P.E., Project Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39173.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

14. [RES39174](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Avertra Corporation, Sage Group Consulting, Inc., Apex Systems, Inc., and Phoenix Business, Inc., in a total amount not to exceed \$1,900,000, budgeted from the Information Systems Fund, for SAP Technical and Functional Consulting Services, for the period of May 1, 2015 through May 1, 2018, with possible extensions through May 2020 - Specification No. IT14-0576F.
[Jack Kelanic, Director, Information Technology]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39174.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

RESOLUTIONS

15. [RES39175](#) A resolution adopting the 2015-2020 Region 5 Hazard Mitigation Plan for emergency management planning and mitigation funding.
[Toryono Green, Deputy Chief; James P. Duggan, Fire Chief]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39175.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

16. [RES39176](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Metropolitan Development Council, in the amount of \$890,000, budgeted from the Mental Health Substance Use Disorder Fund, for the treatment and housing needs for those experiencing homelessness, for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016.
[Pamela Duncan, Human Services Division Manager; Nadia Chandler Hardy, Director, Neighborhood and Community Services]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39176.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

17. [RES39177](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Metropolitan Development Council, in the amount of \$370,000, budgeted from the Mental Health Substance Use Disorder Fund, to support individuals struggling with mental illness by providing co-occurring disorder treatment services and additional support for individuals housed in secure housing units, for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016.
[Pamela Duncan, Human Services Division Manager; Nadia Chandler Hardy, Director, Neighborhood and Community Services]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to adopt Resolution No. 39177.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

18. [ORD28294](#) An ordinance amending Title 6 of the Municipal Code, entitled "Tax and License Code," establishing an amnesty program for taxes imposed under various chapters, and offering a specific time period for application and payment to benefit unlicensed businesses and businesses with delinquent accounts in Tacoma.
[Danielle Larson, Tax and License Division Manager; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to amend Ordinance No. 28294 by amending the final whereas statement on page 2 and section 3 on page 3 as follows: all references to the threshold of \$7,500 shall be changed to read \$1,500, and a new subsection (5) shall be added to read: at the discretion of the Director of Finance, the application period of June 1-30, 2015, may be extended for up to two (2) weeks.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

Changes were substantive, therefore the Mayor called for any public comment on the amendment. No one came forward to address the amendment.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28294, as amended. The amended Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

19. [ORD28295](#) An ordinance authorizing a new issue of bonds to be known as the City of Tacoma Electric System Subordinate Revenue Bonds, and fixing the terms, provisions, and covenants of the City.
[Bill Berry, Rates, Power, and Analysis Manager; Ted Coates, Superintendent, Tacoma Power]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28295. The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

20. [ORD28296](#) An ordinance approving a Supplemental Bond Ordinance; and authorizing Tacoma Power to execute a short-term drawdown direct note purchase agreement with Wells Fargo Bank, in the amount of \$100,000,000, to provide funds to finance or refinance costs of capital improvements to the Electrical System.
[Bill Berry, Rates, Power, and Analysis Manager; Ted Coates, Superintendent, Tacoma Power]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28296. The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

- 21. [ORD28297](#) An ordinance approving a Supplemental Bond Ordinance; and authorizing Tacoma Power to execute a short-term liquidity note purchase agreement with KeyBank, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000,000, to provide general credit, including liquidity, for the Electric System.
[Bill Berry, Rates, Power, and Analysis Manager; Ted Coates, Superintendent, Tacoma Power]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28297. The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

There was no report.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Government Performance and Finance Committee

Council Member Lonergan, Chair of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, stated since the last report the Committee has heard presentations related to the Tacoma Public Utilities 2015 financing plan, and revisions to their rate and financial policies; proposed Tax and Business License Amnesty program; municipal health clinics; a franchise renewal contract; a new SAP services contract; and the 2014 year-end financial report, and the 2014 Tacoma 24/7 report. He noted the next meeting is scheduled for April 29, 2015 and includes a presentation on Click! rates.

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Deputy Mayor Boe provided information regarding Bike Month activities in May, including bike trains by Downtown on the Go, and the annual bike swap at the University of Puget Sound.

Council Member Ibsen provided information regarding town halls for the paid sick leave policies at the Tacoma Public Library Main Branch, a town hall for the Point Defiance Master Plan at the Point Defiance Zoo and Aquarium, and a town hall for Click! at Tacoma Public Utilities.

Council Member Campbell provided information regarding a meeting to discuss an eastside farmers' market at Lister Elementary, a Parks Appreciation Day clean-up at McKinley Park, a listening session about governance and community growth at the Family Investment Center in the Salashan Community, a community cafe regarding the Eastside Community Center at the Portland Avenue Community Center, and Dining Out for Life events to support the Pierce County AIDS Foundation at various restaurants around the City.

Mayor Strickland requested City Manager T.C. Broadnax provide a report regarding the status of the Pierce County General Services Building to the Council.

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

Marilyn Strickland, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk