



City of Tacoma

City Council Study Session Minutes

733 Market Street, Tacoma WA 98402

Conference Room 16

April 02, 2019

12:00 PM

Call to Order

Deputy Mayor McCarthy called the study session to order at 12:06 p.m.

Present: 5 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, McCarthy and Mello

Absent: 4 - Ibsen, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Council Member Ibsen arrived at 12:23 p.m.

Briefing Items

1. [19-0324](#) Code Compliance Neighborhood Enhancement Update

At approximately 12:06 p.m., Linda Stewart, Director, Neighborhood and Community Services (NCS), introduced Allyson Griffith, Management Analyst, NCS, and made opening remarks. Ms. Griffith provided an update on code compliance and neighborhood enhancement efforts, including an overview and background, noting the comprehensive approach to compliance and 2018 innovations. She presented a video on how to utilize the online code compliance mapping tool, noting where the map can be accessed, and stated the mapping tool is available as a link prior to entering a TacomaFIRST 311 ticket for compliance concerns, will be provided in the TacomaFIRST 311 automated responses, and that the hope is to launch a solution that allows integration of the information in the encampment, compliance, and equity mapping tools for the City. Ms. Griffith concluded by reviewing 2019 innovations.

Discussion ensued regarding provision of a synopsis of the code compliance and neighborhood enhancements to be included in presentations for the Neighborhood Councils.

2. [19-0325](#) Vision 2050 Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement

At approximately 12:14 p.m., Ian Munce, Special Assistant to the Director, Planning and Development Services, provided information on the proposed

comments to the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) on the Vision 2050 draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS), including an outline of counties the PSRC manages in terms of setting policies, certifying comprehensive plans, certifying development regulations, and assigning population employment targets. He stated the plan is to update Vision 2040, including updating policies to be more region-wide than jurisdiction-specific; the schedule; issues; alternatives provided on the regional development strategy, including “stay the course”, “transit-focused growth”, and “reset urban growth”; and recommendations. He concluded by seeking interest, concern, or support for the City Manager to comment on the SEIS, and the idea to submit a letter supporting one of the recommendations and have continued discussions.

Discussion ensued regarding the draft letter.

Council Member Ibsen arrived here, at 12:23 p.m.

Discussion continued on previous and current population employment targets and the City’s performance level to meet the targets, the alternative provided to reset urban growth, and if the letter would put the City in an adverse position with Pierce County.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Committee Reports

There were no Committee reports given.

Agenda Review and City Manager's Weekly Report

3. [19-0326](#) Weekly Report to the City Council, March 28, 2019

City Manager Elizabeth Pauli stated there are two proclamations on tonight's meeting agenda, proclaiming April 2, 2019 as Equal Pay Day, and April 2019 as Gold Star Wives, Gold Star Mothers, and Families Month.

Executive Session - Review Qualifications of a Candidate

MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to convene to Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(g) to review the qualifications of a candidate for public employment, not to exceed 15 minutes.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 6 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy and Mello

Absent: 3 - Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

The Council convened to Executive Session at 12:40 p.m.

The Executive Session was extended by 10 minutes at 12:55 p.m.

The Executive Session concluded and the study session reconvened at 1:05 p.m.

Adjournment

On proper motion, the study session was adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk