



# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

February 28, 2017

5:00 PM

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## CALL TO ORDER

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

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

## FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Council Member Walker Lee.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [17-0227](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, February 8, 2017.
2. [17-0210](#) Minutes of the Planning Commission, February 1, 2017.
3. [17-0228](#) Disclosure of Remote Interest pursuant to Tacoma City Charter Section 6.6 and Municipal Code Section 1.46.030 A and B as follows:  
Name Mayor Marilyn Strickland  
Affiliation Board of Directors, KNKX Pacific Public Media

## CONSENT AGENDA

4. [17-0206](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, January 24, 2017.

## FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

5. [ORD28351](#) An ordinance vacating the south 200 feet of the alley between Martin Luther King Jr. Way and South J Street, lying between South 10th and South 11th Streets, for a mixed-use development. (Jagpal Basra; File No. 124.1357)  
[Phyllis Macleod, Hearing Examiner]

## FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

6. [ORD28412](#) An ordinance vacating a portion of the south 3.5 feet of North G Street, lying between North 1st and North 2nd Streets, to accommodate patios, stairs, and a community room in a new multi-use residential development. (Stadium Apartments, LLC, File No. 124.1374)  
[Phyllis Macleod, Hearing Examiner]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including final reading of Ordinance No. 28351, and first reading of Ordinance No. 28412.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner for Ordinance No. 28412.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including final reading of Ordinance No. 28351 and setting Ordinance No. 28412 over to a date to be determined. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

## PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no proclamations, recognitions, presentations, or announcements.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:08 p.m.

No one came forward to address the City Council.

Public Comment ended at 5:09 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

### APPOINTMENTS

7. [RES39662](#) A resolution appointing City Council members to various national, state, regional, and local committees, boards, and commissions, including the City Council's standing committees, for the year 2017.  
[Mayor Strickland]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39662.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to amend Resolution No. 39662 to remove Deputy Mayor Thoms as alternate for the AWC Board and add Council Member Walker Lee as the alternate; to appoint Deputy Mayor Thoms as the Community Council liaison and change Council Member McCarthy to the alternate; to remove Deputy Mayor Thoms and add Council Member Walker Lee to the Government Performance and Finance Committee; to remove Council Member Walker Lee and add Deputy Mayor Thoms to the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee; and change Deputy Mayor Thoms to the alternate position on the Urban Waters Board of Directors and confirm Council Member McCarthy as the representative.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

## PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

8. [RES39663](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Holroyd Company, Inc., in the amount of \$155,022.50, plus sales tax, plus a 15 percent contingency, for an initial total of \$178,275.88, budgeted from the Streets Initiative Fund and the Street Fund, for ready mixed concrete and related concrete materials on an as-needed basis, for one year, with the option to renew for up to four additional one-year periods, for a projected contract total of \$891,379.38 - Specification No. PW17-0014F.  
[Rae Bailey, Street Operations Division Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39663.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

9. [RES39664](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Miles Resources LLC, in the amount of \$670,080.45, plus sales tax, plus a 20 percent contingency, for a total of \$804,097.00, budgeted from various departmental funds, for the restoration of approximately six blocks of residential pavement adjacent to Stewart Middle School, and storm and sanitary sewer repair, alley paving, and replacement of retaining wall at various locations throughout the City - Specification No. PW16-0534F.  
[Said Seddiki, P.E., Project Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39664.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

10. [RES39665](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Helix Design Group, Inc., in the amount of \$1,456,995, sales tax not applicable, to be funded or reimbursed from bond proceeds, for project management, architectural and engineering services for the Tacoma Dome capital projects, for a contract period of two years - Specification No. CT12-0001F.  
[Kim Bedier, Director, Tacoma Venues and Events]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39665.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

11. [RES39666](#) A resolution authorizing an increase to the contract with Tacoma Regional Convention & Visitor Bureau, in the amount of \$150,000, sales tax not applicable, for a total of \$3,253,264, budgeted from the Convention Center Operating Fund, for marketing and promotion services to support destination and tourism development, through December 31, 2018.  
[Kim Bedier, Director, Tacoma Venues and Events]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39666.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

## RESOLUTIONS

12. [RES39667](#) A resolution declaring surplus and authorizing the execution of a Real Estate Exchange Agreement to convey 4,157 square feet of property located in Cumberland, to Mr. Ted Coutts in exchange for an equal amount of property and \$10,000 for the relocation of existing improvements.  
[Gloria Fletcher, Senior Real Estate Officer; Linda McCrea, Water Superintendent]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39667.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

13. [RES39668](#) A resolution designating the Arts and Culture Partnership Project as a Special Project of Limited Duration, including the special project position and benefits, from March 1, 2017, through December 31, 2018.  
[Amy McBride, Arts Administrator; Ricardo Noguera, Director, Community and Economic Development]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39668.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

14. [RES39669](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with Pierce Transit, in the amount of \$376,349.96, budgeted from the Human Resources Internal Service Fund, for the purchase of the One Regional Card for All (ORCA) business cards, and other ORCA services as part of the City's Commute Trip Reduction Program for 2017.  
[Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Thoms moved to adopt Resolution No. 39669.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

## **FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES**

15. [ORD28411](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Tacoma Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to add the new classification of Web Developer and correct the pay rate of Management Fellow.  
[Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken and carried. The Ordinance was declared passed.**

**Ayes:** 9 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Walker Lee and Mayor Strickland

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

## **REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

Interim City Manager Elizabeth Pauli reported a new Director's Rule for expanded notification for large industrial projects. She stated the City's existing heavy industrial zoning allows for a wide variety of uses, including smelters, hazardous chemical manufacturing, and shipping terminals of all kind, and conditional uses, such as surface mining, have similar impact. She stated, in response to recent citizen concerns and Council feedback, that existing notification and outreach requirements may not appropriately reflect the level of community interest in significant projects and certain uses in these zones. Peter Huffman, Director of Planning and Development Services, has directed his staff to implement Director's Rule 01-2017, regarding expanding notification for certain industrial projects within the Port Maritime Industrial

and Heavy Industrial zoning districts to 2,500 feet from the boundaries of the Manufacturing/Industrial Centers, and to include all neighboring jurisdictions, all applicable agencies, all Neighborhood Councils and business districts, and all qualified community groups. She stated the Rule also calls for an early public meeting on qualifying projects to provide agencies and the community information about the project, and it is estimated that this expanded notification process will affect approximately 10 to 15 projects per year. Finally, she reported the Rule will be in place until such time as changes to the Tacoma Municipal Code can be instituted, but will not extend beyond 18 months from its scheduled effective date of March 3, 2017.

She then stated the community is invited to attend the 10th Annual South Sound Sustainability Expo on Saturday, March 4, 2017, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at the Greater Tacoma Convention and Trade Center and Tollefson Plaza. She stated this free event allows participants to discover services and products from over 90 companies and nonprofits that address sustainability needs in the local community.

Discussion ensued regarding the expanded notification for industrial projects. Council Member McCarthy requested this item be brought to study session for discussion.

**COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Economic Development Committee

Council Member Campbell, Chair of the Economic Development Committee, stated on January 31, 2017, staff briefed the Committee on House Bill 1495, relating to commercial office incentives. He noted this bill is a priority on the City’s legislative agenda. He stated staff also provided a report on Third Quarter 2016 Economic Indicators. He then reported at the meeting today, the Foss Waterway Development Authority updated the Committee on the status of development projects along the Foss Waterway.

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Council Member Blocker stated he is hosting a community forum in the Hilltop Neighborhood, on Thursday, March 16, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. at People’s Community Center. He stated this is a great opportunity to connect with neighbors and City staff and discuss issues that are important to the community.

Mayor Strickland reminded everyone the City Council meeting on March 14, 2017 is cancelled and Citizens’ Forum will be moved to the March 21, 2017 meeting.



**ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:39 p.m.

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Marilyn Strickland, Mayor

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Doris Sorum, City Clerk