



City of Tacoma

Government Performance and Finance Committee Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402, Conference Room 248
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October 03, 2023

10:00 AM

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

Call To Order

Chair Hines called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Due to a technical issue, audio is not available for the first 1.5 minutes of the meeting.

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Hines, Rumbaugh and Walker

Absent: 1 - Bushnell

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Approval of Minutes

1. [23-0956](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, May 2, 2023.
2. [23-0957](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, May 16, 2023.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Walker moved to approve the minutes of the May 2, and May 16, 2023, meetings.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.

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

Ayes: 3 - Hines, Rumbaugh and Walker

Absent: 1 - Bushnell

Briefing Items

3. [23-0952](#) Title 6 Amendments - General Clean Up
[Danielle Larson, Tax and License Division Manager, Finance]

At approximately 10:02 a.m., Danielle Larson, Tax and License Division Manager, Finance, presented the proposed revisions to Tacoma Municipal Code (TMC) Chapters 6A and 6B related to general clean up.

Discussion ensued regarding frequency of code review, how staff identify issues and draft revisions, and exemptions.

MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to forward the proposed amendments to Tacoma Municipal Code Title 6 to the full City Council for consideration.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.

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

Ayes: 3 - Hines, Rumbaugh and Walker

Absent: 1 - Bushnell

4. [23-0953](#) Title 6 Amendments - Chapters 6B.10 and 6B.20
[Danielle Larson, Tax and License Division Manager, Finance]

At Approximately 10:06 a.m., Larson, presented the proposed amendments to Tacoma Municipal Code Chapters 6B.10 and 6B.20, including an overview; background; issues, noting a proposal to change penalty structure, criminal background checks, license requirements, and enforcement tools; fiscal impact; and next steps.

Discussion ensued regarding farmer exemptions; the City's farmers markets; criminal background checks; Federal Bureau of Investigation requirements; how business licenses are suspended; ensuring City fees are competitive, and our processes are business-friendly; penalties; and door-to-door sales.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Walker moved to forward the proposed amendments to Tacoma Municipal Code Chapters 6B.10 and 6B.20, relating to decreasing license fee penalties, strengthening license requirements and enforcement tools, and clarifying administrative provisions of the licensing code to the full City Council for consideration.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.

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

Ayes: 3 - Hines, Rumbaugh and Walker

Absent: 1 - Bushnell

5. [23-0954](#) Cybersecurity Briefing
[Paul Federighi, Assistant Director, Information Technology]

At approximately 10:24 a.m., Paul Federighi, Assistant Director, Information Technology (IT), introduced Daniel Key, Director, IT, and Tyler Swartz, Cybersecurity Operations Manager, Tacoma Power. Federighi presented the cybersecurity update, including objectives; public sectors as a top target for cyber-attacks; attackers; challenges; the City's Information Assurance Program, noting history, structure, and features; program capabilities; measuring effectiveness; outside partners and resources; what individuals can do; and that October is National Cyber Security Awareness Month.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding data breaches at Pierce County and the City of Baltimore; how a cyber attack occurs; personally identifiable information; liability of released data; police data collection including body and dash cameras; South Sound 911 data sharing; security for the power grid; and redundancies built into the systems.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

6. [23-0955](#) October 17, 2023 - Monthly Budget Update;
Proposed Rate Adjustments;
Media and Communications Report Implementation
& Introduction to Media and Communications Director

November 7, 2023 - Board of Ethics Interviews;
Title 6 Amendments - Utility Tax Chapters;
Title 6 Amendments - Green Jobs Tax Credit;
Low Carbon Fuel Standards;
Informational Briefing on the City's Litter Code;
Tacoma Power Bond Financing Request

November 21, 2023 - Monthly Budget Update

Mary Crabtree, Committee Liaison, stated the next meeting is scheduled for October 17, 2023, and will include a monthly budget update, a presentation from Tacoma Public Utilities on proposed rate adjustments, and a briefing on the implementation of the Media and Communications report and an introduction to the new Director; the November 7, 2023, meeting, will include interviews for the Board of Ethics, briefings on Title 6 related to utility tax Chapters and Green Job Tax Credits, presentations on low carbon fuel standards, the City's litter code, and the Tacoma Power bond financing request; and the November 21, 2023, meeting will include the monthly budget update.

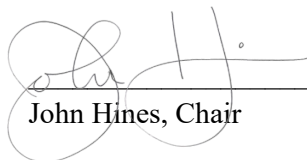
Discussion ensued regarding revising the Committee calendar.

Other Items of Interest

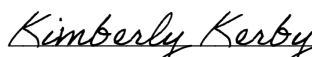
There were no other items of interest.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:21 a.m.



John Hines, Chair



Kimberly Kerby, City Clerk's Office