



# City of Tacoma City Council Study Session Minutes

733 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 16

**May 20, 2014**

**12:00 PM**

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## Call to Order

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

**Present:** 6 - Boe, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Walker and Woodards

**Absent:** 3 - Campbell, Thoms and Mayor Strickland

Council Member Campbell arrived at 12:33 p.m.

## Briefing Items

### 1. 14-0413

Community Based Services Speakers Bureau

Deputy Mayor Woodards announced the first study session topic is the Community Based Services Speakers Bureau. Carol Wolfe, Community and Economic Development, reviewed the Speakers Bureau, including a summary of the tool, the target audience, background information regarding current engagement, issues and how it will work, initial project outreach, initial roll out topics and timeline, the City's webpage draft, other identified topics, feedback from the Neighborhoods and Housing Committee, and the proposed timeline.

### 2. 14-0414

Community Based Services Windshield Survey

Deputy Mayor Woodards announced the next study session topic is the Community Based Services Windshield Survey. Lisa Wojtanowicz, Neighborhood and Community Services, reviewed the survey, including the program goal, background information, the focus for 2014, outreach, and the postcard.

Council Member Campbell arrived here, at 12:33 p.m.

Ms. Wojtanowicz continued to review the survey postcard, results, trends, and how the information is used. Discussion ensued regarding trends and foreclosure impacts. Council Member Ibsen requested additional information regarding why nuisance violations are increasing in Neighborhood Business Districts. Council Member Mello requested additional information regarding the number of boarded up homes in the City, and requested staff map the

results. Council Member Lonergan requested additional information regarding the number of boarded up homes that are repeat offenders. City Manager T.C. Broadnax noted the City boards up houses to ensure no one has access to the building.

### **Other Items of Interest**

There were no other items of interest.

### **Agenda Review and City Manager's Weekly Report**

Mr. Broadnax stated there will be two proclamations tonight proclaiming May 22, 2014 as Franke Tobey Jones Day and May 2014 as Mental Health Month.

3.      **14-0416**      Weekly Report to the City Council, May 15, 2014

Deputy Mayor Woodards stated there will be a Committee of the Whole meeting today at 3:00 p.m. in the Visibility Center located on the ninth floor of the Tacoma Municipal Building, and topics will include proposed amendments from the Charter Review Committee. She then stated the study session and Council meeting on May 27, 2014 has been cancelled.

### **Adjournment**

On proper motion the study session was adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

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Victoria Woodards, Deputy Mayor

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Doris Sorum, City Clerk