



City of Tacoma

City Council Agenda

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402, Council Chambers

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November 28, 2023

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

FLAG SALUTE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [23-1134](#) Minutes of the Planning Commission, October 4, 2023.
Attachments: [PCMin20231004](#)
2. [23-1149](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, October 25, 2023.
Attachments: [PUBSSMin20231025](#)
3. [23-1148](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board special meeting, October 13, 2023.
Attachments: [PUBMin20231013SpMtg](#)
4. [23-1150](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, October 25, 2023.
Attachments: [PUBMin20231025](#)
5. [23-1113](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board, October 2, 2023.
Attachments: [TCABMin20231002](#)

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS

6. [RES41299](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a grant agreement with the Washington State Department of Commerce, in the amount of \$1,000,000, and accepting and depositing said sum into the Special Revenue Fund, together with \$500,000 in matching City funds, budgeted from the Affordable Housing Sales Tax Fund, for a cumulative total of \$1,500,000; and authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority, in the amount of \$1,500,000, through November 1, 2050, for homebuyer education and first-time homebuyer down payment assistance.
[Felicia Medlen, Housing Division Manager; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]
- Attachments: [Resolution No. 41299](#)
 [City Council Action Memorandum](#)

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

7. [23-1147](#) Proclaiming Tuesday, November 28, 2023, as Student Government Day.
8. [23-1162](#) Recognizing Twin Tigers Taekwondo.

PUBLIC COMMENT

This is the time set aside for public comment on motions, resolutions, and first and final reading of ordinances. Speakers are asked to identify the specific legislation they wish to address. To comment virtually, use the Zoom link or phone number listed at the top of the agenda and press the Raise Hand button near the bottom of your Zoom window or *9 on your phone; if speaking in person, please sign in at the back of the Council Chambers. Your name or the last four digits of your phone number will be called out when it is your turn to speak.

Written comments may be submitted to cityclerk@cityoftacoma.org at least 24 hours prior to the Tuesday evening City Council meeting for the Public Comment period. Comments will be compiled and sent to the City Council and posted on the City's webpage at cityoftacoma.org/writtencomments.

REGULAR AGENDA

APPOINTMENTS

9. [RES41300](#) A resolution appointing individuals to the Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs, Community's Police Advisory Committee, Human Rights Commission, Human Services Commission, and the Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities. [Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, Interim City Attorney]

Attachments: [Resolution No. 41300](#)

[City Council Action Memorandums](#)

10. [RES41301](#) A resolution appointing Devynee Ye to the Sustainable Tacoma Commission. [Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, Interim City Attorney]

Attachments: [Resolution No. 41301](#)

[City Council Action Memorandum](#)

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

11. [ORD28912](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 12.10 of the Municipal Code, relating to Water - Regulations and Rates, by amending Section 12.10.301, entitled "Fire hydrant services fee", and Section 12.10.400, entitled "Rates - Inside and outside City limits", effective January 1, 2024. [Jodi Collins, Financial Stewardship Manager; Scott Dewhirst, Water Superintendent]

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 28912](#)

[City Council Action Memorandum](#)

[Board Action Memorandum](#)

[Resolution No. U-11416](#)

12. [ORD28913](#) An ordinance authorizing an increase in the Ad Valorem general property tax revenue collection in terms of both dollars and percentage for the general property tax levy in 2024. [Reid Bennion, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 28913](#)

[City Council Action Memorandum](#)

13. [ORD28914](#) An ordinance fixing the amount of the Ad Valorem tax levies necessary to identify the amount of the estimated revenues from property tax levies to match estimated expenditures for debt service and other funding requirements.
[Reid Bennion, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]
Attachments: [Ordinance No. 28914](#)
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)
14. [ORD28915](#) An ordinance authorizing an increase for the Emergency Medical Services property tax levy in terms of both dollars and percentage.
[Reid Bennion, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]
Attachments: [Ordinance No. 28915](#)
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)
15. [ORD28916](#) An ordinance fixing the amount of the Emergency Medical Services levy necessary to identify the amount of the estimated revenues from the property tax levy to match estimated expenditures for debt service and other funding requirements.
[Reid Bennion, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]
Attachments: [Ordinance No. 28916](#)
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)
16. [ORD28917](#) An ordinance modifying the 2023-2024 Biennial Operating Budget to appropriate funds for contractual obligations, transfers, and other budget adjustments; authorize interfund transfers and contributions; and accept, deposit, and appropriate miscellaneous donations, contributions, and/or fees.
[Reid Bennion, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]
Attachments: [Ordinance No. 28917](#)
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)
17. [ORD28918](#) An ordinance modifying the 2023-2024 Capital Budget to recognize changes in transfers, additional revenues, and budget adjustments.
[Reid Bennion, Budget Officer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]
Attachments: [Ordinance No. 28918](#)
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

18. [ORD28919](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 3.11 of the Municipal Code, relating to Emergency Medical Transportation, by amending Section 3.11.060, entitled “Patient transportation service rates”, to restore the Emergency Medical Services levy and allow the levy to pay for medical transport charges incurred by qualified City residents, as passed by voters in Proposition 1 in the August 1, 2023, Primary Election.
[Teresa Green, Senior Business Services Manager; Toryono Green, Fire Chief]
Attachments: [Ordinance No. 28919](#)
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)
19. [ORD28920](#) A supplemental ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of one or more series of Electric System Revenue and Refunding Bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$225,000,000, to provide funds to finance and refinance capital improvements to the electric system, redeem certain obligations of the electric system, and pay costs of issuance for the bonds; and delegating the authority to approve the final terms of the bonds.
[Michelle Brown, Financial Planning Supervisor; Chris Robinson, Power Superintendent]
Attachments: [Ordinance No. 28920](#)
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)
[Board Action Memorandum](#)
[Resolution No. U-11421](#)
20. [ORD28921](#) An ordinance amending the current non-exclusive Right of Use Agreement and Franchise with Pierce Transit, extending the renewal term an additional five-years and amending the current expiration from January 1, 2024 to January 1, 2029, for transit-related infrastructure within City rights-of-way.
[Joseph Romero, Senior Real Estate Specialist; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director, Public Works]
Attachments: [Ordinance No. 28921](#)
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)
[Amendment](#)
[Agreement](#)

21. [ORD28922](#) An ordinance amending Titles 8 and 17 of the Municipal Code, relating to Animal Control and Public Safety, by amending Section 17.02.140, entitled “Public disturbance noise and public nuisance noise made by an animal”, and Section 8.12.060, entitled “Public disturbance noises”, to revise requirements for enforcement of an unlawful action and to remove the criminal misdemeanor charge for public disturbance and public nuisance noise made by an animal.
[Council Member Hines]
Attachments: [Ordinance No. 28922](#)
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)
[City Council Consideration Request](#)
22. [ORD28923](#) An ordinance amending Title 17 of the Municipal Code, relating to Animal Control, by adding a new Section 17.02.155, entitled “Cat Declawing”, to establish a ban on performing a procedure that results in the partial or complete declawing of a cat except when conducted by a licensed veterinarian for a therapeutic purpose, effective March 31, 2024.
[Council Member Hines]
Attachments: [Ordinance No. 28923](#)
[City Council Action Memorandum](#)
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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

COMMUNITY FORUM

The purpose of Community Forum is to assist the City Council in making policy decisions. Items of discussion will be limited to matters over which the City Council has jurisdiction. Arguments shall not be made in support of, or opposition to, any matter on this week’s agenda. Each person may address the City Council one time only during this forum.

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REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee

ADJOURNMENT

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Individuals using language or sign interpreters will be provided additional time when testifying before the City Council.