



## WEEKLY REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

June 22, 2017

Members of the City Council  
City of Tacoma, Washington

**Dear Mayor and Council Members:**

### ITEMS OF INTEREST

1. In preparation for the Fourth of July holiday, Fire Chief Duggan provides the attached memorandum with the **Fire Department's 2017 Fireworks Public Education Plan and Fireworks Prohibited fliers**. Citizens wanting to report fireworks violations should call the South Sound 911 non-emergency line at (253) 798-4722. However, if the fireworks violation appears to put people or property in immediate danger, citizens should call 911.

In addition to the Fire Department's education efforts, **Tacoma Police will be assigned to fireworks complaints enforcement starting Friday, June 30th, through Wednesday, July 5th**, and is looking to continue aggressive efforts with fireworks enforcement within the City limits. The Department's intent is to replicate the size and scope of the 2016 program. These enforcement actions include pre-holiday - previous offender notices (for in advance warnings), education, citations, and confiscations.

Although Police respond as quickly as resources allow, quite often the people lighting the fireworks run or have scattered and this type of violation does not warrant a foot pursuit. If the responding officers can pinpoint the residence in violation, as time allows, they will post a flier in a conspicuous location for the homeowner to see and will list it on a worksheet as an educational/safety concern contact.

In 2016 more than 20 pounds in gross weight fireworks were confiscated and disposed. A record from this year's enforcement efforts will be maintained to include:

- Labor hours expended
- Citations issued
- Arrests
- Fireworks impound tonnage
- After Action Report

2. As a reminder, **there won't be a City Council meeting or Study Session the week of July 3<sup>rd</sup>**; therefore, we won't be preparing an agenda packet or Weekly Report next Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup>.
3. Planning and Development Services Director Peter Huffman provides the following **update regarding the Tideflats Interim Regulations**. The City Council adopted Amended Resolution No. 39723 on May 9, 2017, initiating the Tideflats subarea planning process and requesting the Planning Commission to begin discussions on the need for interim regulations for the area while the subarea planning is underway. The Commission conducted a preliminary analysis of the matter at its meeting on June 21<sup>st</sup>. This first discussion was not focused on the substance of potential interim regulations, but instead was an opportunity for community members to provide early input and the Commission to provide guidance on whether they feel that there is a need for interim regulations. At the meeting, the Commission provided the following direction to staff:
  - Interim regulations may be warranted and should be explored;
  - Staff should prepare draft findings regarding the need for the Interim Regulations for consideration at their next meeting on July 19<sup>th</sup>;
  - Based on the parameters laid out in the presentation, staff should also prepare some preliminary options for the Interim Regulations for discussion at their next meeting on July 19<sup>th</sup>;
  - Given the significant amount of public comments received prior to and at the meeting, the Commission also decided to conduct a public hearing (although one is not required), before forwarding its findings and recommendations to the Council; and,
  - Tentatively, the Commission is scheduled to conduct the public hearing on September 20<sup>th</sup> and make its recommendation to the Council in October, after which Council would hold a public hearing and consider final action on the Interim Regulations in November.

Staff are finalizing updates to the Planning Division website that will include the current status, background information, and next steps. This should be live by early next week and will provide an easily accessible means for everyone to track the project.

4. **Economic Development Weekly Update Report** – Please see the attached June 19, 2017 update report on projects and initiatives from the Community and Economic Development Department.

5. The Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability provides this **update on implementation of the Bring Your Own Bag (BYOB) Ordinance:**

- An additional order of 20,000 bags will be placed. Delivery is expected prior to the July 12<sup>th</sup> implementation date; however, the full order may not be received prior to this date. The approximate cost of the additional reusable bags is \$25,000.
- Advertising on Click! is currently running. The Comcast cable channels are planning to start on June 26<sup>th</sup>.
- As of Monday, June 19<sup>th</sup>, 109 businesses were contacted via email or phone and 81 received in-person visits.
- Twelve community, business and neighborhood groups have received presentations.
- Next week the City will supply free reusable bags to partner organizations for distribution to community members. In addition, information tables will be set up in high visibility retail locations to provide information and free bags. This work is supported through volunteer efforts by the Sustainable Tacoma Commission and Surf Rider.
- Translated information is now available at:  
[www.Cityoftacoma.org/shoppingbags](http://www.Cityoftacoma.org/shoppingbags) on the business information subpage.

**STUDY SESSION/WORK SESSION**

6. The **City Council Study Session** of Tuesday, June 27, 2017, will be held in Room 16 of the Tacoma Municipal Building North, at Noon. Discussion items will include: (1) **Pierce Transit High Capacity Transit Corridor Briefing**; (2) **Other Items of Interest**; (3) **Committee Reports**; (4) **Agenda Review and City Manager's Weekly Report**; (5) **Closed Session – Labor Negotiation**; and, (6) **Executive Session – Review of Public Employee**.

At Tuesday's Study Session, **Pierce Transit staff will provide the City Council a presentation and update on their Pacific Ave/ SR 7 High Capacity Transit Corridor Project**. This effort is a partnership between Pierce Transit, the City of Tacoma, Pierce County, Washington State Department of Transportation, Puget Sound Regional Council, and mobility advocacy stakeholders. The 14-mile corridor is currently served by Pierce Transit's Route 1, which has the highest ridership in the system with nearly 6,000 boardings per weekday.

7. The updated **Tentative City Council Forecast and Consolidated Standing Committee Calendars** are attached for your information.



### **GRANT APPLICATIONS**

8. The City has applied for the following grant:

- **Department of Homeland Security Emergency Management Performance Grant Program** – Requested funding to be utilized to enhance and sustain all-hazards emergency management capabilities within the City. All activities funded by this grant must relate to the prevention, protection, response, and recovery elements of emergency management. The City is requesting \$117,033, with a required match of \$117,033, which is earmarked in the current budget.

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

9. You have been invited to the following events:

- **Korean Women's Association 2nd Annual Taste of Korea, on Friday, June 23rd, at 5:30 p.m.**, at the Star Center, located at 3873 South 66th Street.
- **Centennial Anniversary of Regence BlueShield on Wednesday, June 28th, 5:30 p.m. social hour and 7:00 p.m. dinner**, at the Foss Waterway Seaport, located at 705 Dock Street.
- **"Jake" Street Dedication Ceremony, in honor of fallen police officer Jake Gutierrez, on Wednesday, July 19th, 11:00 a.m.**, at the entrance of Stewart Heights Park, located at 400 East 56th Street.
- **Samoa Cultural Day on Saturday, July 8th, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**, at Clover Park High School - Harry Lang Stadium, 11023 Gravelly Lake Drive SW.
- **University of Washington Tacoma Summer Soiree on Saturday, July 29th, 6:30 to 9:00 p.m.**, on the Prairie Line Trail, located at 1900 Commerce Street.

Sincerely,



Elizabeth A. Pauli  
City Manager



**City of Tacoma**  
Tacoma Fire Department

**Memorandum**

**TO:** Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager  
**FROM:** James P. Duggan, Fire Chief  
**COPY:** Mayor Strickland and Members of the City Council  
**SUBJECT:** Tacoma Fire Department's Fourth of July Education Plan  
**DATE:** June 20, 2017

The Fire Department's 2017 *Fireworks Public Education Plan* and the *Fireworks Prohibited* fliers for the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday are enclosed. This year's plan is currently underway and will continue to be implemented over the next few weeks, through the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday.

At this time, several key pieces of this education plan are proceeding as scheduled:

- Over 14,700 students who attend Tacoma Public Schools received *Fireworks Prohibited* fliers via Peachjar.com on June 13, 2017.
- *Fireworks Prohibited* posters and fliers are being distributed to local businesses and in neighborhoods previously identified as "fireworks hot spots."
- Social media and TV Tacoma are being used to communicate the details of the fireworks ban.

The remaining activities identified in the public education plan are on schedule to be completed.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

JPD:mw  
Enclosures



## **Tacoma Fire Department**

Fire Prevention Division 253-591-5740

Fax Number 253-594-7943

3471 S. 35<sup>th</sup> St. Tacoma, WA 98409

[www.tacomafiredepartment.org](http://www.tacomafiredepartment.org)

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## **Tacoma Fire Department 2017 Fireworks Public Education Plan**

### **Key points of this year's education message:**

- All fireworks are illegal in the City of Tacoma.
- Tacoma Police will be issuing citations for \$257 and confiscating fireworks.
- The fireworks reporting phone number is 253-798-4722.
- If there is an immediate hazard to life or property, call 911.

### **Plan for delivering this year's fireworks message:**

- Provide fireworks information at the Downtown, Proctor Street, 6th Avenue, Eastside, and South Tacoma Farmers Markets.
- Attend all neighborhood council meetings to deliver this year's message and answer citizen questions.
- Leaflet neighborhoods that are known "hot spots" for illegal fireworks activities.
- Deliver posters and fliers to the Tacoma School District, libraries, Metro-Parks, and neighborhood businesses through company-level inspection program.
- Forms for documenting fireworks injuries will be hand delivered to area hospital emergency departments and urgent care centers. Answer questions staff may have regarding reporting requirements.
- Fireworks ban information will be posted on the City and Fire Department websites.
- Electronic reader boards at the Tacoma Dome, Metro Parks, Cheney Stadium, Fire Stations, and Police Stations will display the fireworks ban warning.
- City of Tacoma's Media and Communications Office and Tacoma Fire Department will coordinate contacts with the media.





## City of Tacoma



# FIREWORKS PROHIBITED

- All fireworks are illegal in the City of Tacoma.
- Violators of the fireworks law are subject to a \$257 fine and the confiscation of their fireworks.
- Please call (253) 798-4722 to report violations (only use 911 to report emergencies). The police will respond to fireworks related calls as units become available.



TMC 3.12은 타코마시 경계 내에서의 모든 개인 폭죽을 금지합니다. 위반하는 사람들은 \$257의 벌금이 부과됩니다. 798-4722로 위반자들을 보고하십시오.

TMC 3.12 запрещает все личные фейерверки в пределах лимита города Такомы. Нарушители подвергаются штрафу в \$257. Звоните по 798.4722 для сообщения нарушений.

TMC 3.12 prohíbe todos los fuegos artificiales personales dentro de los límites de la ciudad de Tacoma. Los infractores estarán sujetos a una multa de \$257. Llame al 798.4722 para informar las infracciones.

TMC 3.12 cấm đoán tất cả việc đốt pháo cá nhân trong phạm vi Tacoma. Người vi phạm bị phạt vạ \$257. Xin gọi 798.4722 để báo cáo vi phạm.

ច្បាប់ TMC 3.12 ហាមឃាត់មិនឲ្យលេងបាញ់កាំជ្រួចក្នុងរង្វង់ព្រំដែនក្រុងថាខូម៉ា ។ ជនណាប្រព្រឹត្តល្មើស នឹងត្រូវទទួលការពិន័យជាប្រាក់ចំនួន \$257.00 ។ សូមទូរស័ព្ទលេខ 798-4722 ដើម្បីរាយការណ៍អំពីការប្រព្រឹត្តិល្មើសនេះ ។

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WEEKLY UPDATE REPORT**

**June 19, 2017**

### **Starbucks coming to the Lincoln District.**

Plans have been submitted for a new Starbucks to be built and open at the corner of 38th & G Street in the heart of the District just one block south of Lincoln High School. This new café should open by Fall 2018 following the completion of the Lincoln District Streetscape Improvements Project. More private investment is expected along the Corridor as the City implements the multi-million streetscape project.

### **North Plaza Garage Request for Information (RFI) Released.**

Staff has released an RFI this week to secure a private office developer to purchase the air rights above the city-owned garage and construct new office development and additional parking. Responses to the RFI are due September 29th. The goal is to follow the success of Pacific Plaza located at 13th & Pacific and create new office space to accommodate the Downtown professional/tech growing office demand.



**City of Tacoma 2017  
City Council Forecast Schedule**

Date	Meeting	Subject	Department	Background
June 27, 2017	Study Session	Pierce Transit High Capacity Transit Corridor Briefing	Pierce Transit	PT High Capacity Transit Corridor Proj, 14.4 mile corridor from Tacoma Dome Station past the Roy Y
		Closed Session - Labor Negotiations	HR	
		Executive Session-Review of Public Employee	Council Members	
	City Council Meeting			

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City Council Forecast Schedule**

Date	Meeting	Subject	Department	Background
July 4, 2017	CANCELLED			
July 11, 2017	Study Session	Pierce County Prosecuting Attorney's Office Community Initiatives	Pierce County Prosecutor Mark Lindquist	PC Prosecutor's Office will share their community initiatives that relate to the City's Tacoma 2025 focus area of Health and Safety for our community.
	City Council Meeting			
July 18, 2017	Study Session	Tacoma Smelter Plume Project Update	PDS/WSDOE	Update on Tacoma Smelter Plume soils samples, cleanups, and long term education plan
		State Environmental Policy Act - Environmental Impact Statement Process	PDS	General overview of the SEPA-EIS Process (101-introduction) to include timelines and required depth of the review.
	City Council Meeting			
July 25, 2017	Study Session	Links to Opportunity Project Update	PDS	Update on project established in 2016 to involve the local community in both streetscape planning and expanding economic opportunities for residents along the Tacoma Link Expansion corridor.
		Equity Update	OEHR	The Office of Equity and Human Rights will provide an update on the City's 2016 equity accomplishments and initiatives for 2017.
	City Council Meeting			

Community Vitality and Safety				
<b>Committee Members:</b> Blocker (Chair), Campbell, Loneragan, Walker Lee, Alternate-Mello <b>Executive Liaison:</b> Linda Stewart; Staff Support - Will Suarez		<b>2nd and 4th Thursdays</b> <b>4:30 p.m.</b> <b>Room 248</b>	<b>CBC Assignments:</b> • Citizen Police Advisory Committee • Human Services Commission • Human Rights Commission • Housing Authority • Commission on Disabilities • Library Board • Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority	
July 13, 2017	Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority Interviews	Clerks Office		
Future:				
July 27, 2017	Neighborhood Revitalization and Mobilization Update [Informational Briefing]	Carol Wolfe, Supervisor, Community and Economic Development	Staff will give an informational briefing on the community revitalization efforts in the Lincoln District, NUSA conference and other neighborhood updates.	
	TFD Mid-Year Review [Informational Briefing]	Tory Green, Deputy Fire Chief, Tacoma Fire Department	Staff will give the Tacoma Fire Department Mid-Year Review, which will include incident data and key initiatives for 2017	
	Aid Vehicle Implementation [Informational Briefing]	Faith Muelle, Deputy Fire Chief, Tacoma Fire Department	Staff will give an update on aid vehicle implementation.	
August 10, 2017	TBD			



<b>Economic Development Committee</b>			
<b>Committee Members:</b> Campbell (Chair), Mello, Strickland, Thoms, Alternate-McCarthy <b>Executive Liaison:</b> Mark Lauzier; Staff Support - India Adams		<b>2nd, 4th, and 5th Tuesdays</b> <b>10:00 a.m.</b> <b>Room 248</b>	<b>CBC Assignments:</b> •Tacoma Arts Commission •Greater Tacoma Regional Convention Center Public Facilities District •Foss Waterway •City Events and Recognition Committee
<b>CBC Assignments:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tacoma Arts Commission</li> <li>• Greater Tacoma Regional Convention Center Public Facilities District</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Foss Waterway</li> <li>• City Events and Recognition Committee</li> </ul>	
June 27, 2017	International Development & World Trade Center Update [Informational Briefing]	<i>Debbie Bingham, Program Development Specialist, Community and Economic Development</i>	This informational briefing will update the Committee on international trade activities and accomplishments since the last Council update on July 26, 2016. The focus will be on programs offered by the World Trade Center Tacoma, under its new leadership at the Chamber of Commerce, current foreign direct investment projects in Tacoma, Tacoma's progress towards being a hub for international education, and the City's recent activities in marketing Tacoma for trade and investment.
	Port of Tacoma & Seattle SeaPort Alliance Update [Informational Briefing]	<i>Ricardo Noguera, Director, Community and Economic Development</i>	This informational briefing will update the Committee on international trade activities and accomplishments since the last Council update on July 26, 2016. The focus will be on programs offered by the World Trade Center Tacoma, under its new leadership at the Chamber of Commerce, current foreign direct investment projects in Tacoma, Tacoma's progress towards being a hub for international education, and the City's recent activities in marketing Tacoma for trade and investment.
<b>Future:</b>			
July 11, 2017	NBD Program Activity Update [Informational Briefing]	<i>Shari Hart, Program Development Specialist, Community and Economic Development</i>	Bi-annual status report on the Neighborhood Business Districts element of the "Economic Development Strategic Framework Plan"; including retail activities, physical improvements, and adaptive reuse and infill development.
	Industrial Activities Update [Informational Briefing]	<i>Elly Walkowiak, Business Development Manager, Community and Economic Development</i>	NewCold, Vigor Marine and the Neil Walter Company will discuss new investment in state-of-the-art industrial facilities in Tacoma related to cold storage, shipbuilding and logistics.
July 25, 2017	Q2 2017 Economic Dashboard [Informational Briefing]	<i>India Adams, Management Analyst, Community and Economic Development</i>	
	Museum and Theater District Update [Informational Briefing]	<i>Amy McBride, Arts Administrator, Community and Economic Development</i>	
	Recreation & Tourism; The Connection to Economic Development [Informational Briefing]	<i>Ricardo Noguera, Director, Community and Economic Development</i>	

<b>Government Performance and Finance Committee</b>				
<b>Committee Members:</b> Lonergan (Chair), Campbell, Ibsen, Walker Lee, Alternate-Strickland		<b>1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesdays 4:30 p.m. Room 243</b>	<b>CBC Assignments:</b> •Public Utility Board •Board of Ethics •Audit Advisory Board •Civil Service Board	
<b>Executive Liaison:</b> Andy Cherullo; Staff Support - David Nash-Mendez				
<b>July 5, 2017</b>	Cancelled			
<b>Future:</b>				
<b>July 19, 2017</b>	2017-2018 Tacoma Power Financing Plan [Request for approval by Council]	<i>Bill Berry, Rates, Planning and Analysis Manager</i>	Tacoma Power will discuss the plan of finance for the 2017/2018 biennium. Tacoma Power is pursuing multiple financial objectives including a new money bond issue and continuing the use of the Note Purchase Agreements already in place. 1st Reading at Council on July 11th.	
	Environmental Services Strategic Plan [Informational Briefing]	<i>Shane Pettit, Management Analyst III, Environmental Services - Solid Waste Division; Jessica Knickerbocker, Engineer, Environmental Services - Science &amp; Engineering Division</i>	The item will be an introduction and overview of the planning process for the 2018-2025 Environmental Services Strategic Plan.	
<b>August 2, 2017</b>	TBD			

<b>Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee</b>			
<b>Committee Members:</b> Mello (Chair), Ibsen, McCarthy, Thoms, Alternate-Blocker		<b>2nd and 4th Wednesdays</b> 4:30 p.m. Room 16	<b>CBC Assignments:</b> •Sustainable Tacoma Commission •Planning Commission •Landmarks Preservation Commission •Board of Building Appeals •Transportation Commission
<b>Executive Liaison:</b> Mark Lauzier; Staff Support - Rebecca Boydston			
<b>June 28, 2017</b>	Sustainable Tacoma Applicant Selection		
	Planning Commission Interviews [Request for Recommendation]	<i>Doris Sorum, City Clerk</i>	Interview applicants seeking to fill term-expiring positions representing District No. 1, Development Community, and Public Transportation, and recommend candidates for the Council's consideration for appointment.
	Board of Building Appeals Interviews [Request for Recommendation]	<i>Doris Sorum, City Clerk</i>	1 open position
<b>Future:</b>			
<b>July 12, 2017</b>	Hilltop Links to Opportunity Update [Informational Briefing]	<i>Ian Munce, Planner, PDS</i>	Update on project to involve the local community in both streetscape planning and expanding economic opportunities for residents along the Tacoma Link Expansion corridor.
	Planning Commission Annual Report for 2016-2017 [Informational Briefing]	<i>Lihuang Wung, PDS</i>	Review and approve the annual report that summarizes the Commission's accomplishments during July 2016 to June 2017 and outlines the planning work program for the next 18-24 months.
<b>July 26, 2017</b>	Residential Infill Update [Informational Briefing]	<i>Lauren Flemister, Sr Planner, PDS</i>	An update will be provided about the selected Residential Infill Pilot Program projects, as well as a summary of trends, lessons learned, and public engagement efforts.
	Transportation Commission Annual Report and Work Plan, Sidewalk Inventory Update [Informational Briefing]	<i>Jennifer Kammerzell, Engineer, PW</i>	PW and TC co-chairs will present on past accomplishments and future work plan. An update will also be provided on the sidewalk inventory.
	Healthy Homes Healthy Neighborhoods [Informational Briefing]	<i>Patrick Babbitt, Environmental Policy and Sustainability</i>	The Healthy Homes, Healthy Neighborhoods program is planning for the next neighborhood implementation. We would like to present results from our community engagement work in the Lincoln District since late 2015 in support of the local revitalization, as well as share initial needs assessments and planning for two potential target neighborhoods for an autumn 2017-summer 2018 program