



# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

**July 10, 2018**

**5:00 PM**

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## CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:09 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Camarata, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

## FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Council Member Blocker.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

The moment of silence was in honor of Pat Flynn, who was instrumental to the founding of Relay for Life and now known as the "Mother of Relay," had worked for Tacoma Public Schools and the City of Tacoma, and was a 2010 City of Destiny Award recipient.

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [18-0716](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, April 24, 2018.
2. [18-0717](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee special meeting, May 1, 2018.
3. [18-0736](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board special meeting, May 14, 2018.
4. [18-0737](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board special meeting, May 15, 2018.
5. [18-0738](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board special meeting, May 16, 2018.
6. [18-0741](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, May 23, 2018.

7. [18-0742](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, May 23, 2018.
8. [18-0743](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board special meeting, June 6, 2018.
9. [18-0735](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Public Library Board of Trustees, May 16, 2018.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

10. [18-0720](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, April 24, 2018.
11. [18-0747](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, May 1, 2018.
12. [18-0748](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, May 8, 2018.
13. [18-0723](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, April 3, 2018.
14. [18-0731](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, April 10, 2018.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

15. [RES40047](#) A resolution setting Thursday, August 23, 2018, at 1:30 p.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on the request to vacate a southern portion of North 32nd Street, lying between North Cedar and North Junett Streets, to facilitate private improvements and landscaping.  
(Doreen and Christopher Gavin; File No. 124.1390)  
[Troy Stevens, Senior Real Estate Specialist; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

## **FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES**

16. [ORD28514](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 13.06 of the Municipal Code, relating to Zoning, to reclassify approximately 1.07 acres of property, located at 2801 South Orchard Street and 5001 Center Street, from an R-2 Single-Family Dwelling District to a C-2 General Community Commercial District, to allow for construction of a four-story self-storage building containing 713 storage units, in addition to parking, landscaping, and other site improvements.  
(Daffodil Storage; File No. LU18-0059)  
[Jeff H. Capell, Hearing Examiner]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 40047 and final reading of Ordinance No. 28514.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 40047 and final reading of Ordinance No. 28514. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Camarata, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards**

## **PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

17. [18-0714](#) Proclaiming July 2018 as LGBTQ Pride Month.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed July 2018 as LGBTQ Pride Month and presented the proclamation to Mr. Manny Santiago, Executive Director, Rainbow Center.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public Comment began at 5:21 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Norman Gollub, Foss Waterway Development Authority, speaking on Resolution No. 40057.

Public Comment ended at 5:26 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

### APPOINTMENTS

18.     [RES40048](#)     A resolution appointing Jason Gamboa, to the alternate position, to the Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs.  
                          [Doris Sorum, City Clerk; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40048.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Camarata, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

19.     [RES40049](#)     A resolution appointing Emily Pinckney to the Sustainable Tacoma Commission.  
                          [Doris Sorum, City Clerk; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40049.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Camarata, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

**PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS**

20.     [RES40050](#)     A resolution awarding a contract to Asphalt Patch Systems Inc, in the amount of \$223,523, sales tax not applicable, budgeted from the Transportation Capital Fund, for the reconstruction of approximately 58 sidewalks south of Center Street and 13 sidewalks in the Hilltop Business District - Specification No. PW18-0172F. [Mark D’Andrea, P.E., Principal Engineer; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40050.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Camarata, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

21.     [RES40051](#)     A resolution awarding a contract to Medusa Medical Technologies, Inc., in the amount of \$308,371, plus applicable sales tax, budgeted from the Emergency Medical Service Special Revenue Fund, for off-site data hosting services through December 31, 2024 - Not Practicable to Bid. [Toryono Green, Deputy Chief; James P. Duggan, Fire Chief]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40051.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Camarata, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

22. [RES40052](#) A resolution increasing the contract with Life Assist, Inc., in the amount of \$140,000, plus applicable sales tax, for a total of \$340,000, budgeted from the Emergency Medical Service Special Revenue Fund, for emergency medical supplies and equipment - East Pierce Fire and Rescue District Agreement No. 98390FDS. [Michael Fitzgerald, Assistant to the Chief; James P. Duggan, Fire Chief]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40052.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Camarata, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

## **RESOLUTIONS**

23. [RES40053](#) A resolution approving a revision to the annual rate for transmission service to the Public Utility District No. 1 of Lewis County from \$189,269 to \$198,800. [Joe Wilson, Transmission and Distribution Manager; Chris Robinson, Power Superintendent]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40053.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Camarata, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

24. [RES40054](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing 12-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Bear Mountain Holdings LLC, for the development of 18 multi-family market-rate and affordable rental housing units, located at 3714 Yakima Avenue in the Lincoln Mixed-Use Center.  
[Debbie Bingham, Economic Development Specialist; Kim Bedier, Acting Director, Community and Economic Development]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40054.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Beale, Blocker, Camarata, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello and Ushka

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Woodards

25. [RES40055](#) A resolution designating the Heidelberg Brewing Co. Warehouse and Shipping Depot/ 7 Seas Brewery, located at 2101 Jefferson Avenue, as a City Landmark and placing said property on the Tacoma Register of Historic Places.  
[Reuben McKnight, Historic Preservation Officer; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

**MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 40055.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Beale, Blocker, Camarata, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello and Ushka

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Woodards

26. [RES40056](#) A resolution designating The Trecento Block, located at 301, 309, 311, and 323 Puyallup Avenue, as a City Landmark and placing said properties on the Tacoma Register of Historic Places.  
[Reuben McKnight, Historic Preservation Officer; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

**MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 40056.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Camarata, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

27. [RES40057](#) A resolution naming the future park to be located at 1147 Dock Street as “The Melanie Jan LaPlant Dressel Park.”  
[Reuben McKnight, Historic Preservation Officer; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40057.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Camarata, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

- 28. [RES40058](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an amendment to the agreement with the Tacoma Community House/REACH Center, in the amount of \$313,350, for a total of \$467,905, budgeted from the General Fund and Special Revenue Fund, for services related to the Summer Jobs 253 program, through December 31, 2018.  
[Christopher Wright, Contract and Program Auditor; Linda Stewart, Director, Neighborhood and Community Services]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 40058.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 6 - Blocker, Camarata, Hunter, Ibsen, Mello and Ushka

**Absent:** 2 - Beale and Mayor Woodards

**Recused:** 1 - McCarthy

- 29. [RES40059](#) A resolution authorizing the segregation of Local Improvement District No. 8630, Lots 1 through 5, Block 26, to reflect changes in the subdivision into two new parcels, Lots 1 through 3, Block 26, and Lots 4 and 5, Block 26.  
[Michael San Soucie, Treasury Manager; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

**MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 40059.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Camarata, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Beale

**FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

- 30. [ORD28520](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.90 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Local Employment and Apprenticeship Training Program, to improve program processes and outcomes and address compliance with current federal law.  
[Clifford Armstrong III, Contract and Program Auditor; Kim Bedier, Acting Director, Community and Economic Development]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28520 was set over for final reading next week.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

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The City Council meeting recessed at 5:59 p.m.

The City Council meeting reconvened at 6:16 p.m.

**CITIZENS' FORUM**

Citizens' Forum began at 6:16 p.m.

Mayor Woodards provided the rules and procedures of Citizens' Forum and stated Tacoma is a welcoming city and committed to providing equitable access to City services to immigrant and refugee communities. She provided some of the actions the City has taken to help these communities, including the creation of the Immigrant and Refugee Task Force, Deportation Defense Fund, and Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs.

Ms. Woodards invited Rebecca Stith, Chair of the Human Rights Commission, to share their recent work concerning immigrant and refugee communities. Ms. Stith stated the Commission is requesting the Council's support in efforts to end the Trump administration's "zero-tolerance" policy.

Mayor Woodards then called on City Manager Elizabeth Pauli to outline the steps the City has taken to provide safety for demonstration at the Northwest Detention Center (NWDC).

City Manager Pauli outlined the steps, including a background, an analysis on public safety measures, communication with Burlington Northern Sante Fe Railway, gathered sources, and the enforcement of prohibiting the use of unauthorized structures due to public health and sanitation concerns. She concluded by stating the City's permit process is available for anyone interested.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Dennis Tuntland, 14701 "C" Street South, speaking on a vacant lot on "C" Street.
2. Michael Collier, Occupy NWDC, speaking on immigration.
3. Laura Powell, Occupy NWDC, speaking on migration and NWDC.
4. Eileen Newton, Occupy NWDC, speaking on police abuse.

5. Amora Lenzi, student, speaking on NWDC.
6. Analis Rivasplata-Newton, Occupy NWDC, speaking on police abuse, migration, and NWDC.
7. Carol Kindt, Tacoma, speaking on U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and immigration.
8. Nikie Walters, Tacoma, speaking on Citizens' Forum, ICE, and liquefied natural gas.
9. Mary Mora Villalpando, NWDC Resistance, speaking on Geo Group, Inc. (GEO)'s business license.
10. Wendy Pantoja, NWDC Resistance, speaking on GEO's business license and immigration.
11. Beverly Christie, Tacoma, speaking on liquefied natural gas.
12. Alexis Rouse, Indivisible Tacoma, speaking on NWDC.
13. Kyle Jolibois, Tacoma, speaking on liquefied natural gas.
14. Kathy Lawhon, Hilltop resident, speaking on NWDC, liquefied natural gas, and housing.
15. Melissa Hubbard, North Tacoma, speaking on NWDC.
16. Megan Ybarra, NWDC Resistance, speaking on NWDC.
17. Lacey Reuter, speaking on environment.
18. Melissa Hollon, Lincoln, speaking on NWDC.
19. Meagan Murphy, P.O. Box 23145, Seattle, Washington, speaking on NWDC.
20. Fletcher Christie, NWDC Resistance, speaking on NWDC.
21. Tracy Wiegman, speaking on NWDC.
22. Leslie Cushman, Pacific Northwest Conference United Church of Christ, speaking on NWDC.
23. Holly Rydel Kelly, 3918 North 30th Street, speaking on NWDC.
24. Marilyn Kimmerling, 4414 North 34th Street, speaking on liquefied natural gas, NWDC, and the structure of the Council.
25. Heather Carawan, 7901 Golden Given Road East, speaking on NWDC.
26. Kristin Ang, Tacoma, speaking on signs at NWDC.
27. Penny Octuck Cole, 9709 Barnes Lane South, Tacoma, Washington 98444, speaking on NWDC.
28. Klabatah Hudson, Native Affiliation, speaking on NWDC.
29. Diane Paul, 76 Donahey Road, speaking on NWDC.
30. Carol Sue Braaten, 2410 Berry Lane East, Fife, speaking on Ordinance No. 28518, Puget Sound Energy, liquefied natural gas, and supplemental environmental impact statement.
31. Mary Smith, 815 Pacific Avenue #217, speaking on NWDC.
32. ShaCorrie Tunkara, 9061 Seward Park Avenue South, Seattle, Washington 98118, speaking on her sick husband in NWDC.
33. Bard Luippold, 3219 N 7th Street, speaking on NWDC.
34. Morgan Vanderpool, 933 South Grant Avenue, speaking on NWDC.
35. Richard Lovering, 3594 South "D" Street, speaking on NWDC.

36. Steve Storms, 1316 Browns Point Boulevard, speaking on liquefied natural gas.

37. Angie Wambaugh, Tacoma Public Schools, speaking on NWDC.

Citizens' Forum ended at 8:25 p.m.

**REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

There was no report.

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

**Government Performance and Finance Committee**

Deputy Mayor Ibsen, Chair of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, reported the June 19, and July 3, 2018 meetings were cancelled. He stated the next meeting is on July 17, 2018.

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Council Member Ushka provided additional information regarding NWDC. She stated frequently asked questions are posted at [cityoftacoma.org/nwdcfaq](http://cityoftacoma.org/nwdcfaq) and requested the City Manager to address the City's authority on revoking a business license and the risk analysis associated. She further addressed a comment regarding medical waste found near a water basin by stating expired prescribed medications can be dropped off for disposal at several locations in Tacoma and these disposal sites can be found on Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department's website.

Council Member McCarthy stated former Mayor Marilyn Strickland sent a letter to GEO last February, requesting to immediately show compliance with applicable laws. He requested the supporting documentation received from GEO and the City's involvement since then to be posted on our website for the public.

Council Member Beale requested information on health, safety, and sanitation conditions at NWDC and a report from the Tacoma Police Department (TPD) regarding an incident on June 26, 2018 evening outside of NWDC.

Council Member Hunter shared her interest in communicating with federal delegations regarding the community's frustration on the federal oversight on GEO and NWDC.

Mayor Woodards stated a letter from the Council regarding GEO and NWDC will be sent to our federal delegations and the President of the United States.

Council Member Mello shared his effort in looking into enforcing a different tax structure or impact fees on GEO for public resources being used for public safety and requested an update on the Attorney General's lawsuit regarding the violation of Washington's minimum wage laws.

Council Member Camarata and Deputy Mayor Ibsen expressed their support for immigrant and refugee families.

Council Member Blocker also expressed his interest in TPD's report on the June 26, 2018 incident outside the detention center and for the City to look into human rights violations at NWDC.

## ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

  
Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

  
Doris Sorum, City Clerk