



# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

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May 12, 2020

5:00 PM

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## CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Ushka, Walker and Mayor Woodards

All Council Members participated virtually.

## FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Deputy Mayor Blocker.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

In honor of those who have lost their lives to or have been impacted by COVID-19.

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [20-0335](#) Minutes of the Greater Tacoma Regional Convention Center Public Facilities District Board, January 16, 2020.

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**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Blocker moved to suspend the rules to add a Resolution, Resolution No. 40604, to tonight's agenda on the Consent Agenda, as Item 5A, setting Tuesday, May 19, 2020, as the date for a public hearing on the submittal of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.**

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

**Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Ushka, Walker and Mayor Woodards**

## CONSENT AGENDA

2. [20-0344](#) Minutes of the City Council special meeting, April 24, 2020.
3. [20-0341](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, April 28, 2020.
4. [20-0349](#) Minutes of the City Council special meeting, May 1, 2020.

## RESOLUTIONS

5. [RES40601](#) A resolution setting Thursday, June 25, 2020, at 1:30 p.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on the request to vacate a portion of the dead-end segment of East "T" Street, also referenced as East "R" Street, lying south of the school's driveway, to develop and construct a private entrance into Swan Creek Park.  
(Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma; File No. 124.1412)  
[Ronda Van Allen, Senior Real Estate Specialist; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]
- 5A. [RES40604](#) A resolution setting Tuesday, May 19, 2020, upon completion of Regular Agenda Items, no earlier than 5:15 p.m., as the date for a public hearing by the City Council on the submittal of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, for Housing and Community Development.  
[Darian Lightfoot, Contract and Program Auditor, Neighborhood and Community Services; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

**MOTION: Council Member Hunter moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 40601 and 40604.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 40601 and 40604. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Ushka, Walker and Mayor Woodards**

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

There were no proclamations, recognitions, presentations, or announcements.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public Comment began at 5:05 p.m.

Public Comment ended at 5:06 p.m.

The City Clerk's office received five written comments for Ordinance No. 28671, regarding the Tideflats Interim Regulations.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **RESOLUTIONS**

6. **RES40602** A resolution declaring surplus and authorizing the sale of approximately 4.74 acres of Tacoma Water property, located in the Bonney Lake vicinity of unincorporated Pierce County, to Nash Cascadia Verde LLC, for the amount of \$125,000. [Greg Muller, Real Estate Officer; Scott Dewhirst, Water Superintendent].

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Blocker moved to adopt Resolution No. 40602.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.**

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

**Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Ushka, Walker and Mayor Woodards**

7. **RES40603** A resolution approving amendments to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan, to reprogram uncommitted current Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnership Program funds; allocating additional funding received under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act; amending the Citizen Participation Plan, to reduce the amount of time for public comment; and lifting the 15 percent public service cap for 2019-2020 CDBG funds.  
[Darian Lightfoot, Contract and Program Auditor, Neighborhood and Community Services; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Blocker moved to adopt Resolution No. 40603.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.**

The City Council meeting recessed at 5:26 p.m.

The City Council meeting reconvened at 5:34 p.m.

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Ushka, Walker and Mayor Woodards

#### **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

8. **ORD28670** An ordinance authorizing the financing through a Local Agency Lease with the Office of the State Treasurer, to purchase equipment and other property and to make the improvements required to develop a process to convert bio-gas into usable energy in the form of clean, renewable natural gas, to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and generate enough revenues to repay the financing.  
[Teresa Sedmak, City Treasurer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28670 was set over for final reading next week.**



- 9. **ORD28671** An ordinance approving a six-month extension of the Tideflats Interim Regulations, as originally approved by Amended Ordinance No. 28470 and extended by Ordinance Nos. 28542, 28583, and 28619.  
[Stephen Atkinson, Principal Planner; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28671 was set over for final reading next week.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

**COMMUNITY FORUM**

Community Forum began at 5:53 p.m.

Community Forum ended at 5:53 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received two written comments regarding killer hornets.

**REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Elizabeth Pauli provided an update on the Rental Assistance Program, including the creation of an application waitlist, applicants that have been contacted, fund distribution timeline, and application criteria. Mayor Woodards stated that residents can now donate to the Rental Assistance Fund and explained how to donate.

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

There were no Standing Committee Reports given.

Mayor Woodards recognized Teacher Appreciation Week.

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**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Blocker moved to convene to Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) and .110(1)(iii) to discuss potential litigation, not to exceed 20 minutes.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.**

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

**Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hines, Hunter, McCarthy, Thoms, Ushka, Walker and Mayor Woodards**

The City Council convened to Executive Session at 6:04 p.m.  
City Attorney Bill Fosbre was present.

The Executive Session was extended by 20 minutes at 6:24 p.m., and by  
15 minutes at 6:47 p.m.

The Executive Session concluded, and the City Council meeting reconvened  
at 6:55 p.m.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.



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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor



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Doris Sorum, City Clerk