



City of Tacoma

Government Performance and Finance Committee Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402, Conference Room 248

Dial: 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 827 5299 8740

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July 19, 2022

10:00 AM

Chair John Hines, Vice Chair Kristina Walker, Joe Bushnell,
Sarah Rumbaugh, Kiara Daniels (alternate),
Christine Cooley (ex officio)

Call To Order

Chair Hines called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Bushnell, Hines and Rumbaugh

Absent: 1 - Walker

Briefing Items

1. [22-0797](#)

Monthly Budget Update

[Hayley Falk, Lead Analyst, Office of Management and Budget]

At approximately 10:07 a.m., Haley Falk, Lead Analyst, Office of Management and Budget, presented a monthly budget update, including the budget dashboard, noting General Funds, General Fund expense categories, the Tacoma Dome non-general fund, and other expenses.

Discussion ensued regarding actual expenses versus budgeted expenses, if budgeted funds can only be spent on what they were originally allocated for, and ongoing costs.

2. [22-0798](#)

Proposed Changes to the Bill Credit Assistance Plan

[Francine Artis, Interim Customer Services Manager, Tacoma Public Utilities]

At approximately 10:16 a.m., Jim Sant, Deputy Director, Tacoma Public Utilities (TPU), introduced Francine Artis, Interim Customer Services Manager, TPU. Artis presented proposed changes to the Bill Credit Assistance Program (BCAP), including a history of utility assistance; customer feedback, noting pros and cons of the program; 2021 enhancements for assistance; current BCAP versus proposed enhancements; customer

success; residential services for income-constrained customers; expansion of water grants and loans, noting program details, program status May 2021 through May 2022, and program expansions in June 2022; expansion of power conservation, noting the energy audit, insulation, and heating and windows; and community partnerships, noting financial education and coaching, and ongoing partnerships.

Discussion ensued regarding community outreach and service availability, BCAP versus BCAP Plus with regards to power credits, application process, the avoided tax on the Bonneville Power Administration incentive funding, and the affordability covenant.

3. [22-0799](#) Redistricting Update
[Rosa McLeod, Government Relations Analyst, City Manager Office]

At approximately 10:57 a.m., Rosa McLeod, Government Relations Analyst, City Manager's Office, presented a redistricting update, including redistricting efforts; scenario one; redistricting considerations; 6th Avenue Business District; South Tacoma and Pacific Avenue Business Districts; South 56th Street specifics, noting clean and clear dividing lines, and equal populations; and a conclusion.

Discussion ensued regarding reasons for redistricting, map boundaries versus actual perceived boundaries, resident confusion regarding District lines and assigned Council Members, public outreach, feedback, and next steps.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

4. [22-0800](#) August 2, 2022 - Monthly Budget Update;
Annual Business License Fees;
Tacoma Public Utilities Outreach Efforts and Plans
August 16, 2022 - Environmental Services Preliminary Budget and
Overall Revenue Increase; Council Rules;
Accessory Dwelling Units
September 6, 2022 - Audit Advisory Board Quarterly Meeting;
Creation of Repair and Replacement Fund;
Monthly Budget Update; Accessory Dwelling Units

Claire Goodwin, Committee Liaison, stated that the next meeting will be on August 2, 2022, and will include updates on the monthly budget, annual business license fees, and TPU outreach efforts and plans. She further stated that the August 16, 2022, meeting will include updates on the Environmental Services preliminary budget and revenue increase, Council Rules, and Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs). Goodwin concluded by stating that the

September 6, 2022, meeting will include the quarterly meeting for the Audit Advisory Board, and updates on the repair and replacement fund and ADUs.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:13 a.m.



John Hines, Chair



for
Kiaira Thomas, City Clerk's Office