



# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

Tacoma Public Utilities - Auditorium

3628 South 35th Street, Ground Floor, Tacoma, WA 98409

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**June 11, 2024**

**5:00 PM**

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## Change of Location

### CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Hines called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

**Present:** 7 - Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Bushnell

Mayor Woodards participated virtually.

### FLAG SALUTE

Council Member Rumbaugh stated that we gratefully honor and acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language.

The flag salute was led by Council Member Rumbaugh.

### MOMENT OF SILENCE

### ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [24-0629](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, November 21, 2023.
2. [24-0630](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, special meeting, December 5, 2023.
3. [24-0631](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, December 19, 2023.
4. [24-0135](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, January 16, 2024.
5. [24-0547](#) Minutes for the Joint Municipal Action Committee, January 12, 2024.

6. [24-0545](#) Minutes of the Joint Municipal Action Committee, February 9, 2024.
7. [24-0543](#) Minutes of the Joint Municipal Action Committee, March 8, 2024.
8. [24-0542](#) Minutes of the Joint Municipal Action Committee, April 12, 2024.
9. [24-0576](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board, May 6, 2024.

## AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no modifications to the agenda.

## CONSENT AGENDA

### PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

10. [RES41443](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Miles Resources, LLC, in the amount of \$1,259,417.40, plus applicable taxes, plus a 15 percent contingency, for a cumulative total of \$1,448,330.01, budgeted from the Solid Waste Fund, for pavement repair and security gate upgrades at the Solid Waste Recovery and Transfer Center - Specification No. ES23-0081F.  
[Jody Bratton, P.E., Senior Engineering Project Manager; Michael P. Slevin III, Director, Environmental Services]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 41443.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 41443. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 7 - Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Bushnell

### PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment began at 5:04 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received no written comment for public comment.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Michele Reich, speaking on Resolution No. 41449.

Public comment ended at 5:07 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

### APPOINTMENTS

11.     [RES41444](#)     A resolution reappointing Carlos Watson to the Tacoma Public Utility Board to serve a five-year term, effective July 1, 2024, to expire June 30, 2029.  
[Deputy Mayor Hines and Council Members Bushnell, Daniels, and Rumbaugh]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41444.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Bushnell

## PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

12.     [RES41445](#)     A resolution awarding a contract to Miles Resources, LLC, in the amount of \$4,297,827.15, plus applicable taxes, plus a 15 percent contingency, for a cumulative total of \$4,942,501.22, budgeted from various departmental funds, for the construction of a shared-use path along South Tacoma Way between South “M” Street and South Sprague Avenue - Specification No. PW23-0130F. [Chris Storey, P.E., Principal Engineer; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director, Public Works]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41445.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Bushnell

## RESOLUTIONS

13.     [RES41446](#)     A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing 12-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Stealth Investments LLC, for the development of ten multi-family market and regulated rate rental housing units, located at 2106 South “J” Street in the Downtown Regional Growth Center. [Debbie Bingham, Project Manager; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41446.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Bushnell

14.     [RES41447](#)     A resolution declaring surplus and authorizing the execution of a Quit Claim Deed and other necessary documents to convey a 1,409 square-foot City parcel adjacent to 3803 North Monroe Street to abutting owner Tania Rose Posa for the amount of \$20,384.84.

[Troy Stevens, Senior Real Estate Specialist; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director, Public Works]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41447.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Bushnell

15.     [RES41448](#)     A resolution authorizing the one-time use of Council Contingency Funds, in the amount of \$12,500, to sponsor attendance of Tacoma youth at a youth week event in Fuzhou, China.

[Mayor Woodards]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41448.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Bushnell

16.     [RES41449](#)     A resolution authorizing the one-time use of Council Contingency Funds, in the amount of \$25,000, to support broken window replacement along Broadway's Antique Row.  
[Mayor Woodards]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41449.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Bushnell

## **FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES**

17.     [ORD28969](#)     An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, by amending Section 1.12.920, entitled "Protection of officers and employees against personal legal liability," and Section 1.12.940, entitled "Determination of scope of employment," to comply with the requirements of Washington State law regarding defense of City officers and employees for acts in the course of employment.  
[Steve Victor, Chief Deputy City Attorney; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28969. The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 7 - Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Bushnell

18. [ORD28970](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.90 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Local Employment and Apprenticeship Training Program, by amending various sections, to replace outdated elements and strengthen program outcomes.  
[Deborah Trevorrow, Workforce Programs Analyst; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28970. The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 7 - Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Bushnell

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

## COMMUNITY FORUM

Community forum began at 5:23 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received 12 written comments for community forum regarding City Charter amendments, Home in Tacoma Phase 2, art on Union Avenue, Harrison Shooting Range, and Gaza.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Daren Holter, regarding the Harrison Shooting Range.
2. Michele Reich, regarding Gaza.
3. Kelly Gusman, regarding healthcare.
4. Sean Arent, regarding the City Charter, Climate Commission, and initiatives.
5. Ann Dorn, regarding the City Charter, policing, initiatives, and form of government (FOG).
6. John Staub, regarding the City Charter.
7. Laura King, regarding the City Charter.
8. Talison Crosby, regarding the City Charter, FOG, Climate Commission, and policing.
9. Jay Herring, regarding the City Charter and voting.
10. Aife Pasquale, regarding the City Charter.
11. Haze Leviathan, regarding the City Charter, Climate Commission, and policing.
12. Steve Haverly, regarding the City Charter.
13. Barbara Church, regarding the climate.
14. Stacy Oaks, regarding the climate and FOG.
15. Eric Herde, regarding the City Charter, FOG, initiatives, and policing.

16. Gemini, regarding the City Charter.
17. Bryan Johnson, regarding homeless encampments.
18. April Smith, regarding the the City Charter and FOG.
19. Kathy Lawhon, regarding the City Charter, FOG, policing, and Tacoma Housing Authority (THA).
20. Laurie Arnold, regarding Multi-Family Property Tax Exemption.
21. Jami, regarding the City Charter, Climate Commission, policing, and FOG.
22. Samuel Weissman, regarding ballots and FOG.
23. Jude Ehraus, regarding the police.

The City Council meeting recessed at 6:01 p.m., and reconvened at 6:10 p.m.

24. Jake Bailey, regarding policing accountability, FOG, and the Climate Commission.

Community forum ended at 6:11 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 Hines, Chair of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, reported on May 21, 2024, the Committee held interviews for the Public Utility Board, and held a joint meeting with the Audit Advisory Board which contained informational briefings on the State Auditor's 2022 exit accountability audit and 2023 entrance conference for federal audit; the June 4, 2024, meeting included the Moss Adams 2023 audit exit conference, informational briefings regarding Tacoma Power's reserve funds and potential revisions to the rate stabilization fund language in Tacoma Power's Electric Rate and Financial Policy, and public disclosure request data from 2019 to 2023. He concluded by stating the next meeting will be held in a hybrid format on June 18, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., and will include a briefing on the proposed revisions to the Municipal Code regarding claims settlements, a monthly budget update, and a review of long-range financial plans for Tacoma Water and Tacoma Power.



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**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to excuse Council Member Bushnell from the meeting.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Bushnell

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

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Nicole Emery, City Clerk





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**5:00 PM**

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## Change of Location

### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

**Present:** 7 - Bushnell, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and  
Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Daniels

Council Member Daniels arrived at 5:05 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Hines participated virtually.

### FLAG SALUTE

Council Member Scott stated that we gratefully honor and acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language.

The flag salute was led by Council Member Scott.

### MOMENT OF SILENCE

### ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [24-0646](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board, May 16, 2024.

### AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no modifications to the agenda.

## CONSENT AGENDA

### PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

2.     [RES41450](#)     A resolution awarding a contract to Consor North America, Inc., in the amount of \$1,000,000, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the Transportation Capital Fund, to design an interconnected intelligent transportation system network across the Tacoma Tideflats and Port of Tacoma area - Specification No. PW23-0175F.  
[Charla Kinlow, PMP, Project Manager; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director, Public Works]
  
3.     [RES41451](#)     A resolution authorizing an increase and extending the contract with Carollo Engineers, Inc., in the amount of \$445,001, plus applicable taxes, for a cumulative total of \$1,286,934, budgeted from the Wastewater Fund, for additional engineering design and construction support for the South Tacoma Pump Station Phase 2 Rehabilitation Project, through December 31, 2025 - Architectural and Engineering Roster Contract No. CW2248653.  
[Lance Bunch, P.E., Principal Civil Engineer; Michael P. Slevin III, Director, Environmental Services]

### RESOLUTIONS

4.     [RES41452](#)     A resolution setting Tuesday, July 2, 2024, 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 proposed amendments to the City Charter.  
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

### PAYMENTS

5.     [24-0649](#)     Date Range - 05/20/2024 to 06/02/2024  
Payroll in the amount of \$22,241,144.96; Payments in the amount of \$31,029,457.65; for a total of \$53,270,602.61.

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 41450 through 41452.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 41450 through 41452. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Daniels

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

8. [24-0526](#) Presentation of the Vision 2050 Award.

Josh Brown, Executive Director, Puget Sound Regional Council, presented the Vision 2050 Award to the City for the Tacoma Green Economic Development Strategy as an outstanding example of the Planning Ahead category.

Council Member Daniels arrived here, at 5:05 p.m.

7. [24-0571](#) Proclaiming Thursday, June 20, 2024, as World Refugee Day.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed Thursday, June 20, 2024, as World Refugee Day and presented the proclamation to Maricres Valdez-Castro, Vice Chair, and Iuliia Didkivska, Commissioner, Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs.

6. [24-0570](#) Proclaiming Wednesday, June 19, 2024, as Juneteenth.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed Wednesday, June 19, 2024, as Juneteenth and presented the proclamation to Amanda Scott Thomas, Community Aunties; C. Ivan Johnson, Commissioner, Human Rights Commission; Jade Little, Pierce County's Miss Juneteenth 2023; and Miss Juneteenth Pageant 2024 contestants.

9. [24-0648](#) Recognizing City Directors.

Mayor Woodards recognized outgoing City Directors and called Tim Allen, Director, Retirement; Tory Green, Fire Chief; Kurtis Kingslover, Deputy City Manager; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development; and Mike Slevin, Director, Environmental Services, to accept the recognition.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment began at 6:10 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received two written comments for public comment on Resolution No. 41454, regarding the property tax levy for the Tacoma Fire Department.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Sally Perkins, speaking on the Recognition of City Directors.
2. Esther Day, speaking on Resolution No. 41454.

Public comment ended at 6:14 p.m.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

10. [24-0619](#) A motion may be made to authorize the full and final settlement of Claim No. W-094-23 against the City, related to damage to property located at 5009 96th Avenue West in University Place, caused by a leaking Tacoma Water side service water line, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$33,872.04 and execution of a release in a form approved by the City Attorney.

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to authorize the full and final settlement of Claim No. W-094-23 against the City, related to damage to property located at 5009 96th Avenue West in University Place, caused by a leaking Tacoma Water side service water line, upon payment of the City in the amount of \$33,872.04 and execution of a release in the form approved by the City Attorney.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

11. [24-0620](#) A motion may be made to authorize full and final settlement of all claims against the City of Tacoma in Miriam Barnett v. City of Tacoma, et al., Pierce County Superior Court Cause No. 23-2-08456-5, in the amount of \$35,000 related to a sidewalk trip and fall incident occurring on November 24, 2021, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$35,000 and execution of a release in a form approved by the City Attorney.

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to authorize full and final settlement of all claims against the City of Tacoma in Miriam Barnett v. City of Tacoma, et al., Pierce County Superior Court Cause No. 23-2-08456-5, in the amount of \$35,000 related to a sidewalk trip and fall incident occurring on November 24, 2021, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$35,000 and execution of a release in a form approved by the City Attorney.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## **APPOINTMENTS**

12. [RES41453](#) A resolution appointing and reappointing individuals to the Planning Commission. [Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41453.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## RESOLUTIONS

13.     [RES41454](#)     A resolution transmitting a ballot measure to the Pierce County Auditor to be placed on the ballot for the General Election on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, which reads:

CITY OF TACOMA  
PROPOSITION NO. 1  
PROPERTY TAX LEVY INCREASE, LEVY LID LIFT

The City of Tacoma adopted Resolution No. 41454 concerning lifting the property tax levy for the Tacoma Fire Department (TFD).

This measure enhances TFD facilities, fleet, and staffing to improve response capacity and firefighter safety by increasing the regular property tax levy by \$0.65/\$1,000 to a maximum rate of \$2.52/\$1,000 of assessed value for collection in 2025; authorizing an annual increase up to 6% for 2026-2030 for the additional rate; authorizing the 2030 levy amount as the basis to calculate future levies (RCW 84.55). Qualifying seniors, veterans and others would be exempt (RCW 84.36.381).

Should this proposition be:

Approved..... [ ]

Rejected..... [ ]

[Teresa Green, Senior Business Services Manager; Toryono Green, Fire Chief]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41454.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards



## FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

14.     [ORD28971](#)     An ordinance adopting the Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program amended for the years 2024 and 2025-2030.  
[Jennifer Kammerzell, Assistant Division Manager;  
Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director, Public Works]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28971 was set for final reading next week.**

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

## REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Elizabeth Pauli reported that Environmental Services and Washington State Department of Transportation will collaborate on June 24-26, 2024, and July 2-3, 2024, to clean up areas of State Routes 509 and 705, Schuster Parkway, and Ruston Way in preparation for the 2024 Summer Blast event.

## COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee

Council Member Walker, Chair of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, reported the May 8, 2024, meeting was cancelled; the May 22, 2024, meeting included interviews for the Planning Commission and a presentation on Resolution No. 41385 for enhancing deconstruction and salvage efforts. She concluded by stating the Committee's next meeting will be held in hybrid format on June 26, 2024, and will include a presentation on an updated timeline for the Streets Initiative 2 potential ballot measure.

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Deputy Mayor Hines made final comments thanking Environmental Services staff members Collin Beach and Eric Pizzollo for rescuing eight ducklings trapped in a storm drain; and acknowledging Father's Day on Sunday, June 16, 2024.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

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Nicole Emery, City Clerk



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**June 25, 2024**

**5:00 PM**

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### Change of Location

### CALL TO ORDER

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

### ROLL CALL

**Present:** 6 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh and Walker

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

Mayor Woodards arrived at 5:02 p.m and participated virtually.

### FLAG SALUTE

Council Member Walker stated that we gratefully honor and acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language.

The flag salute was led by Council Member Walker.

### MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Woodards arrived here, at 5:02 p.m.

### ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

There were no items filed in the City Clerk's Office.

### AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no modifications to the agenda.

## CONSENT AGENDA

1. [24-0668](#) Minutes of the joint City Council and Public Utility Board study session, November 7, 2023.

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt the Consent Agenda.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Scott

## PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

2. [24-0680](#) Recognizing Tacoma Stars Reserves.

Deputy Mayor Hines recognized Tacoma Stars Reserves and presented the recognition to Josh Paul, Director of Operations, Tacoma Stars Reserves.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment began at 5:08 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received no written comment for public comment.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Yvonne McCarthy, speaking on Ordinance No. 28971.

Public comment ended at 5:13 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

### PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

3.      [RES41455](#)      A resolution authorizing an increase and extending the contract with Mercer Health and Benefits, LLC, in the amount of \$645,000, plus applicable taxes, for a cumulative total of \$2,020,000, budgeted from the Health Care Trust Fund, for employee benefits brokerage and consulting services, for an additional two years - Specification No. HR19-0136F.  
[Kari Louie, Assistant Director; Shelby Fritz, Director, Human Resources]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41455.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Scott

### RESOLUTIONS

4.      [RES41456](#)      A resolution authorizing the execution of a renewal of an Aquatic Lands Lease with the Washington State Department of Natural Resources, in the amount of \$11,445.12 per year, budgeted from the Facilities Fund, for a portion of the Commencement Bay harbor area abutting and including the Marine Security Operations Center, through April 30, 2036.  
[Regan Bogart, Senior Real Estate Specialist; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director, Public Works]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41456.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 6 - Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, Rumbaugh, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Scott

**Abstain:** 1 - Diaz

## **FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES**

5. [ORD28971](#) An ordinance adopting the Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program amended for the years 2024 and 2025-2030. [Jennifer Kammerzell, Assistant Division Manager; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director, Public Works]

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28971.**

**The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 6 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh and Walker

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

## **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

6. [ORD28972](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement changes to non-represented classifications due to organizational need, to include rates of pay and classification changes to reflect the organizational structure. [Kari Louie, Assistant Director; Shelby Fritz, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28972 was set over for final reading next week.**

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

## **COMMUNITY FORUM**

Community forum began at 5:22 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received nine written comments for community forum regarding the City Charter review, construction at "A" Street and 84th Street, the levy lid lift, Harrison Shooting Range, and vehicle emissions.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Jay Herring, regarding the City Charter.
2. Amalie O'Connor, regarding drug use and crime in the Theater District.
3. April Smith, regarding the City Charter.
4. Janeen Provazek, regarding the Climate Commission and policing accountability.
5. Stacy Oaks, regarding the City Charter, Climate Commission, and policing accountability.
6. Laurie Arnold, regarding public participation for Public Comment and Community Forum.
7. Daren Holter, regarding the Harrison Shooting Range.
8. Ed Jacobs, regarding homeless camp sweeps.
9. Steve Haverly, regarding the City Charter.
10. Ann Dorn, regarding the City Charter and form of government.
11. Sean Arent, regarding the City Charter.
12. Michele Reich, regarding Bastet.
13. Aife Pasquale, regarding the City Charter, Climate Commission, and policing accountability.
14. Haze Leviathan, regarding policing accountability.
15. Gloria Baughman, regarding the City Charter and policing accountability.
16. Laura King, regarding the City Charter and City Manager.
17. Gemini, regarding the City Charter and Climate Commission.
18. John, regarding the City Charter and Climate Commission.
19. Talison Crosby, regarding the City Charter and Climate Commission.
20. Marian Schwartz, regarding the City Charter, Climate Commission, and policing accountability.
21. Oneida Arnold, regarding the City Charter, Climate Commission, and policing accountability.
22. Holden Whitson, regarding policing accountability.
23. Synth Zuber-Fantulin, regarding the City Charter.
24. Daelin Cavanaugh, regarding the City Charter.
25. Kathy Lawhon, regarding the City Charter and Alberta J. Canada Apartments.
26. Barb Church, regarding the City Charter and Climate Commission.
27. Marilyn Kimmerling, regarding the City Charter.
28. Eric Herde, regarding the City Charter.
29. Beverly Allen, regarding the City Charter and policing accountability.
30. Ovunayo X, regarding the City Charter and policing accountability.

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The City Council meeting recessed at 6:14 p.m., and reconvened at 6:21 p.m.

31. Theresa Power-Drutis, speaking on homelessness.

Community forum ended at 6:22 p.m.

**REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

There was no report.

**COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL****Economic Development Committee**

Council Member Daniels, Chair of the Economic Development Committee, stated the June 11, 2024, meeting included presentations on the Green Jobs and Pathways Summit held in May 2024 at Clover Park Technical College; and the June 25, 2024, meeting included a progress report of the City's implementation of green Economic Development Strategy; and recognition of outgoing Community and Economic Development Director Jeff Robinson. She concluded by stating the next meeting will be held in a hybrid format on Tuesday, July 9, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., and will include an update on the 2024 Disparity Study and evaluating the City's Equity in Contracting Program.

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Council Member Walker announced Summer Late Nights programs will take place from June 24 to August 30, 2024, through a partnership between the City, Pierce County, Metro Parks Tacoma, Tacoma Public Schools, and other community partners; outlined the program offerings; and expressed appreciation for those who helped with outreach to youth.

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Deputy Mayor Hines responded to comments made during community forum regarding hate speech and racist comments by anonymous virtual participants during the June 11, 2024, community forum.

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**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to excuse Council Member Scott from the meeting.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Scott



## **ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

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Nicole Emery, City Clerk





# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

Tacoma Public Utilities - Auditorium  
3628 South 35th Street, Ground Floor, Tacoma, WA 98409  
Dial: 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 848 3423 3126  
Webinar Link: [www.zoom.us/j/84834233126](https://www.zoom.us/j/84834233126) Passcode: 349099  
**July 02, 2024**  
**5:00 PM**

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## Change of Location

### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

**Present:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

Council Member Scott participated virtually.

### FLAG SALUTE

Council Member Bushnell stated that we gratefully honor and acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language.

The flag salute was led by Council Member Bushnell.

### MOMENT OF SILENCE

### ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [24-0695](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, May 22, 2024.
2. [24-0696](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, May 22, 2024.
3. [24-0652](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Arts Commission, May 13, 2024.

### AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no modifications to the agenda.

## CONSENT AGENDA

### PAYMENTS

4. [24-0694](#) Date Range - 06/03/2024 to 06/16/2024  
Payroll in the amount of \$22,179,619.44; Payments in the amount of \$30,904,528.14;  
for a total of \$53,084,147.58.

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt the Consent Agenda.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

### PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

5. [24-0687](#) Proclaiming July 2024 as LGBTQIA2S+ Pride Month.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed July 2024, as LGBTQIA2S+ Pride Month, and presented the proclamation to Jason Hixenbaugh, Vice President, Rainbow Center Board; Matthew Wilson, Executive Director, Oasis Youth Center; local drag artist Delyla Dalyte; Lee MacClellan, Queer City Collective; Wayne Rowser, Drop-in Specialist, Oasis Youth Center; and Lisa Keating, Director, Tacoma Public Schools Board of Directors.

6. [24-0676](#) Presentation of the Mayor's Youth Commission Annual Report for 2023-2024.

D'Angelo Baker, Senior Management Fellow, and Theo Wygle, Vice Chair, Mayor's Youth Commission, presented the Mayor's Youth Commission Annual Report for 2023-2024.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment began at 5:40 p.m.

The City Clerk's office received three written comments for public comment, regarding Resolution No. 41458 and 24-0691 (nomination of finalists for the City Council District No. 4 position).

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Rachi Wortham, speaking on Resolution No. 41461.
2. Cierra Ozolin, speaking on Resolution No. 41461.
3. Cherrie Walker, speaking on Resolution No. 41461.
4. Stacey Moyo, speaking on Resolution No. 41461.
5. Gail Neal, speaking on Resolution No. 41461.
6. Sean Arent, speaking on Resolution No. 41458.
7. Kailyn Smith, speaking on Resolution No. 41461.
8. Kathy Lauhon, speaking on Resolution No. 41458.

Public comment ended at 5:58 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

### APPOINTMENTS

7.      [RES41457](#)      A resolution appointing and reappointing individuals to the Mayor's Youth Commission of Tacoma leadership team.  
[Anna Le, Management Fellow; Hyun Kim, Deputy City Manager, City Manager's Office]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41457.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

8.      [RES41458](#)      A resolution increasing the contract with Green Earthworks Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$2,432,433.59, plus applicable taxes, for a cumulative total of \$4,616,293.65, budgeted from various departmental funds, for homeless encampment mitigation - Specification No. CT22-0080F.  
[Patsy Best, Procurement and Payables Division Manager; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41458.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## RESOLUTIONS

9.      [RES41459](#)      A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Professional Public Safety Management Association, retroactive to January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2026.  
[Dylan Carlson, Labor Relations Division Manager; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41459.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

10.     [RES41460](#)     A resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement with the Tacoma Firefighters Union, Local 31, regarding a new classification entitled Fire Marshal.  
[Dylan Carlson, Labor Relations Division Manager; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41460.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

11.     [RES41461](#)     A resolution authorizing the execution of a financing arrangement with the Multicultural Child and Family Hope Center, in the amount of \$1,500,000 budgeted from the Urban Development Action Grant Fund, for the development and construction of a new facility to consolidate operations, expand services, and increase capacity and efficiency in the delivery of services.  
[Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41461.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

12.     [ORD28972](#)     An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement changes to non-represented classifications due to organizational need, to include rates of pay and classification changes to reflect the organizational structure.  
[Kari Louie, Assistant Director; Shelby Fritz, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28971. The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

13.     [ORD28973](#)     An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation for employees represented by the Professional Public Safety Managers Association, and the Tacoma Firefighters Union, Local 31, and a change to reflect the organizational structure.  
[Kari Louie, Assistant Director; Shelby Fritz, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28973 was set over for final reading next week.**

## PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS

14.     [24-0651](#)     This is the date set for a public hearing by the City Council on the proposed amendments to the City Charter.  
[Sonja Hallum, Chief Government Affairs Officer; Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager]

The public hearing began at at 6:55 p.m.

The City Clerk's office received 23 written comments for the public hearing.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Lyz Kurnitz Thurlow.
2. Gemini.
3. Eric Herde.
4. Ann Dorn.
5. Beverly Allen.



6. Sean Renning.
7. John Staub.
8. Sean Arent.
9. Haze Leviathan.
10. Heidi Stephens.
11. Catherine Lee.
12. Courtney Davis.
13. Devin Ryael Kelly.
14. Norma Ramirez.
15. Stacy Oaks.
16. Theresa Evans.
17. Zephyra.
18. Oneida Arnold.
19. Holden Whitson.
20. Rosemary Powers.
21. Gloria Baughman.
22. Daelin Cavanaugh.

The Council meeting recessed at 7:33 p.m., and reconvened at 7:59 p.m.

23. Talison Crosby.
24. Barb Church.
25. Kathy Lawhon.
26. Julie Andrzejewski.
27. Ellen Floyd.
28. Sally Perkins.
29. Latasha Palmer.
30. Marilyn Kimmerling.
31. Melissa Malott.
32. Vicky Stanich.
33. Ovunayo X.

The public hearing ended at 8:21 p.m.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no Unfinished Business.

## **REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

There was no report.

## COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

### Government Performance and Finance Committee

The report was postponed to the July 9, 2024, meeting.

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Council Member Diaz stated that a new mural related to Pride Month and the “If It Hits the Ground, It Hits the Sound” environmental campaign is being installed on South 9th Street.

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15.     [24-0691](#)     Nomination of finalists for the City Council District No. 4 position.

Mayor Woodards discussed the process of nominating finalist applicants for the City Council District 4 position, for a term that expires December 31, 2025.

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to suspend Subsection B.7 of Rule 16 of the Rules of Procedure of the City Council to allow consideration of an application that was filed after the application deadline date and time.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

**ACTION: Roll call vote was requested and taken. The motion was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 5 - Bushnell, Hines, Rumbaugh, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Nays:** 3 - Daniels, Diaz and Scott

Mayor Woodards called on Council Members share their top applicants and discussion ensued regarding their qualifications.

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The Council meeting recessed at 8:44 p.m., and reconvened at 8:54 p.m.

The applicants were listed in order of the number of selections each received, and discussion ensued regarding allowing for more than four finalists.

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to suspend references to the number of applicants to be interviewed in Rule 16 of the Rules of Procedure of the City Council to allow for more than 20 percent of the total number of applicants.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Scott

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**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to approve the following list of nominated finalists for the Council District No. 4 position to be considered at the Tuesday, July 9, 2024, Council meeting for interviews no more than 15 minutes each in length:**

- 1. Jasmine Brown**
- 2. Silong Chhun**
- 3. Justin Everman**
- 4. Sandesh Sadalge**
- 5. Stephen Wamback**
- 6. Rick Talbert**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Scott

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Mayor Woodards wished everyone a happy upcoming Fourth of July holiday, noting that personal fireworks are illegal in the City, and that Summer Blast will take place on Thursday, July 4, 2024, on the Dune Peninsula and Ruston Way, starting at Noon, with fireworks at 10:00 p.m.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

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Nicole Emery, City Clerk



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747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402

Dial: 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 848 3423 3126

Webinar Link: [www.zoom.us/j/84834233126](https://www.zoom.us/j/84834233126) Passcode: 349099

**July 09, 2024**

**5:00 PM**

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## CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Walker and  
Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Scott

Council Member Scott arrived at 5:18 p.m.

## FLAG SALUTE

Council Member Daniels stated that we gratefully honor and acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language.

The flag salute was led by Council Member Daniels.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [24-0718](#) Mayor's Youth Commission of Tacoma Annual Report, 2023-2024.

## AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no modifications to the agenda.

## CONSENT AGENDA

### INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS

2.     [RES41462](#)     A resolution authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement with the Washington State Department of Ecology, in the amount of \$69,440, and accepting and depositing said sum into the Stormwater Fund, to develop a laboratory procedure to evaluate 6PPD-quinone in stormwater sediments, through June 30, 2025.  
[Brandi Lubliner, P.E., Principal Engineer; Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Interim Director, Environmental Services]
  
3.     [RES41463](#)     A resolution authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement with the Washington State Department of Ecology, in the amount of \$1,224,287, and accepting and depositing said sum into the Stormwater Fund, to monitor stormwater transport of contaminants of emerging concern in Western Washington, through December 31, 2025.  
[Brandi Lubliner, P.E., Principal Engineer; Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Interim Director, Environmental Services]

### PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

4.     [RES41464](#)     A resolution awarding a contract to Global Contractors, LLC, in the amount of \$518,942.00, plus applicable taxes, plus a 15 percent contingency, for a cumulative total of \$596,783.30, budgeted from the Transportation Capital Fund, for construction of a scenic overlook, consisting of curb ramps, sidewalk, bulb-outs, planted landscape areas, roadway repair as needed, and other amenities along East 32nd Street from East “E” Street and East “F” Street - Specification No. PW24-0055F.  
[Clara Dubow, Project Manager; Ramiro A. Chavez, Director/City Engineer, Public Works]

5. [RES41465](#) A resolution awarding contracts to the following contractors:
- Taproot Tree Care LLC, in the amount of \$450,000, plus applicable taxes; and
  - Hunter's Tree Service, in the amount of \$150,000, plus applicable taxes;
- budgeted from the Stormwater and Urban Forestry funds, for on-call tree removal and pruning services, for an initial contract period of two years, with the option to renew for three additional one-year periods, for a projected contract total not to exceed \$600,000 - Specification No. ES23-0280F.  
[Ryan Hebert, Urban Forestry Analyst; Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Interim Director, Environmental Services]
6. [RES41466](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Insituform Technologies, LLC, in the amount of \$870,656.00, plus applicable taxes, plus a 10 percent contingency, budgeted from the Stormwater Fund, for rehabilitation of approximately 1.3 miles of underground stormwater sewer pipes in various locations throughout the City, for a projected contract total of \$957,721.60 - Specification No. ES24-0073F.  
[Olivia Mathison, Principal Associate Civil Engineer; Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Interim Director, Environmental Services]
7. [RES41467](#) A resolution authorizing an increase and extending the contract with Robin Kirschbaum, Inc., in the amount of \$175,125.33, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the Stormwater Fund, for additional design and planning services for the Titlow Park Regional Stormwater Facility Project, for a projected contract total of \$584,066.33, through December 31, 2025 - Architectural and Engineering Roster Contract No. CW2245683.  
[Brandi Lubliner, Principal Engineer; Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Interim Director, Environmental Services]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 41462 through 41467.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried on the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 41462 through 41467. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Scott

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

There were no proclamations, recognitions, presentations, or announcements on the printed agenda. Mayor Woodards recognized and thanked staff from Public Works, Information Technology, and Media and Communications Office who contributed to the Council Chambers remodel project.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment began at 5:18 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received 11 written comments for public comment regarding Item No. 24-0724 (proposed City Charter amendments) and Item No. 24-0685, and the District No. 4 appointments.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Heidi Stephens, speaking on Item No. 24-0724.
2. Sean Arent, speaking on Item No. 24-0724.
3. Stacy Oaks, speaking on Item No. 24-0724.
4. Ann Dorn, speaking on Item No. 24-0724.
5. Beverly Allen, speaking on Item No. 24-0724.
6. Devin Rydel Kelly, speaking on Item No. 24-0724.
7. Marilyn Kimmerling, speaking on Item No. 24-0724.
8. Kathy Lawhon, speaking on Item No. 24-0724.
9. Michele Reich, speaking on Resolution No. 41463.
10. Marian Schwartz, speaking on Item No. 24-0724.
11. Rebecca Stith, speaking on Item No. 24-0724.
12. Julie Andrzejewski, speaking on Item No. 24-0724.
13. Eric Herde, speaking on Item No. 24-0724.

Public comment ended at 5:44 p.m.



## REGULAR AGENDA

8. [24-0716](#) A motion may be made to authorize the City's full and final settlement of all claims against the City in the matter of Simone Scott v. City of Tacoma, Pierce County Cause No. 18-2-11143-4, related to an incident occurring in October of 2015, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$2,000,000 and execution of a release in a form approved by the City Attorney.

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to authorize the City's full and final settlement of all claims against the City in the matter of Simone Scott v. City of Tacoma, Pierce County Cause No. 18-2-11143-4, related to an incident occurring in October of 2015, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$2,000,000 and execution of a release in a form approved by the City Attorney.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

9. [ORD28973](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation for employees represented by the Professional Public Safety Managers Association, and the Tacoma Firefighters Union, Local 31, and a change to reflect the organizational structure.  
[Kari Louie, Assistant Director; Shelby Fritz, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28973. The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

## **COMMUNITY FORUM**

Community forum began at 5:46 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received six written comments for community forum regarding the City logo, vehicle emissions, art murals, and the Harrison Shooting Range.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Michele Reich, regarding electric vehicle transition.
2. Daren Holter, regarding the Harrison Shooting Range.
3. Courtney Gutz, regarding homeless encampments and changing 'A' Street to one way.
4. Ovunayo X, regarding police accountability.
5. Brian Johnson, regarding homeless encampments.
6. Stacy Oaks, regarding finalists for City Council District No. 4 position.
7. April Smith, regarding trees in South Tacoma.
8. Marilyn Kimmerling, regarding the historic Golden Rule ship visit to Tacoma.
9. Kathy Lawhon, regarding media coverage on community concerns.

Community forum ended at 6:02 p.m.

## **REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Elizabeth Pauli provided information on inclement weather response for this week's high heat event.

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

### **Government Performance and Finance Committee**

Deputy Mayor Hines, Chair of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, reported at the June 18, 2024, meeting, the Committee received presentations on recommended changes to the Tacoma Municipal Code (TMC) claims and collection procedures, and an informational briefing on Tacoma Water and Tacoma Power's preliminary long-range financial plan overview. He concluded by stating the next meeting will be in hybrid format on July 16, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., and will include a monthly budget update, a request for a telecommunications franchise agreement, the proposed fire levies "for" and "against" committees, and a Multi-Family Tax Exemption update.

## Community Vitality and Safety Committee

Council Member Rumbaugh, Chair of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, reported that the May 23, 2024, meeting was cancelled and convened on June 13, 2024, where the Committee reviewed the opioid settlement update briefing; the June 27, 2024, meeting included briefings on the Neighborhood and Community Services' plan and timeline for the 2024 review, updates on TMC Chapter 8.30 regarding public nuisances, the anti-displacement strategy, and the Office of Strategy's ongoing efforts and plan to study the effects of Measure 1 enacted in November 2023. She concluded by stating the July 11, 2024, meeting will be rescheduled to July 25, 2024, at 4:30 p.m., held in a hybrid format, and will include presentations on youth and young adult violence reduction, and the election of Chair and Vice Chair positions in the Committee.

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The meeting recessed at 6:09 p.m., and reconvened at 6:21 p.m.

10. [24-0724](#) Charter Amendments Review and Consideration of Potential Motions.

This item was addressed later in the meeting.

11. [24-0685](#) Interviews for the City Council District No. 4 position.

Mayor Woodards provided opening remarks regarding the finalist interviews for the City Council District No. 4 position, including nominations from the July 2, 2024, City Council meeting; the interview format, noting finalists will be interviewed in order selected by the City Clerk's Office, and each finalist will have up to fifteen minutes for an introduction, questions and answers from the City Council, and closing remarks; next steps; and an invitation for members of the community to provide public comment.

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to suspend Rule 16.B of the Rules of Procedure of the Council of the City of Tacoma, to remove references to the alphabetical order of interviews; and to amend the Council appointment timeline to move the Executive Session from the July 9, 2024, meeting, to the July 16, 2024, study session.**

**SECONDED: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

The City Council interviewed Sandesh Sadalge and Justin Everman.

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The meeting recessed at 7:00 p.m., and reconvened at 7:14 p.m.

The City Council interviewed Jasmine Brown, Silong Chhun, Stephen Wamback, and Rick Talbert.

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The meeting recessed at 8:23 p.m., and reconvened at 8:53 p.m.

10. [24-0724](#)

Charter Amendments Review and Consideration of Potential Motions.

Mayor Woodards reviewed the process of submission and discussion of proposed amendments to the City Charter and opened the floor for motions on the proposed amendments.

**MOTION: Council Member Diaz moved to advance proposed Charter Amendment No. 24C, Reorganization of Government, to the July 16, 2024, Council Agenda for consideration by the Council to be placed on the November 5, 2024, ballot for consideration by the voters.**

**SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Hines.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and failed. The motion failed.**

**Ayes:** 4 - Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh and Scott

**Nays:** 4 - Bushnell, Daniels, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to advance proposed Charter Amendment No. 1, Salary Commission, to the July 16, 2024, Council Agenda for consideration by the Council to be placed on the November 5, 2024, ballot for consideration by the voters.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to advance proposed Charter Amendment No. C6, Use of Term Citizen, to the July 16, 2024, Council Agenda for consideration by the Council to be placed on the November 5, 2024, ballot for consideration by the voters.**

**SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Hines.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Nays:** 1 - Diaz

**MOTION: Council Member Scott moved to refer proposed Charter Amendment No. 3, Referendum, to the Government Performance and Finance Committee for further study and evaluation.**

**SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Hines.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**MOTION: Council Member Scott moved to refer proposed Charter Amendment No. 19, Ranked-Choice Voting, to the Government Performance and Finance Committee for further study and evaluation.**

**SECONDED BY: Mayor Woodards.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**MOTION: Council Member Scott moved to refer proposed Charter Amendment No. 20, Campaign Finance, to the Government Performance and Finance Committee for further study and evaluation.**

**SECONDED BY: Mayor Woodards.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to refer proposed Charter Amendment No. 9B, Climate Commission, to Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee for further study and evaluation.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to advance proposed Charter Amendment No. 14B, Planning Commission, to the July 16, 2024, Council Agenda for consideration by the Council to be placed on the November 5, 2024, ballot for consideration by the voters.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 6 - Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, Rumbaugh, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Nays:** 2 - Diaz and Scott

**MOTION:** Council Member Rumbaugh moved to advance proposed Charter Amendment No. C5, Initiative Fiscal Notes, to the July 16, 2024, Council Agenda for consideration by the Council to be placed on the November 5, 2024, ballot for consideration by the voters.

**SECONDED BY:** Mayor Woodards.

**ACTION:** Council Member Rumbaugh withdrew the motion.

**MOTION:** Council Member Rumbaugh moved to refer proposed Charter Amendment No. C5, Initiative Fiscal Notes, to the Government Performance and Finance Committee for further study and evaluation.

**SECONDED BY:** Mayor Woodards.

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**MOTION:** Council Member Rumbaugh moved to advance proposed Charter Amendment No. C4B, Sale of Waterfront Property, to the July 16, 2024, Council Agenda for consideration by the Council to be placed on the November 5, 2024, ballot for consideration by the voters.

**SECONDED BY:** Council Member Walker.

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

**Ayes:** 5 - Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Walker and Mayor Woodards  
**Nays:** 3 - Bushnell, Daniels and Scott

**MOTION: Council Member Rumbaugh moved to refer proposed Charter Amendment No. 11, Landmarks Preservation Commission, to the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee for further study and evaluation.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott and Mayor Woodards

**Nays:** 1 - Walker

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to refer Charter Amendment No. 6, Neighborhood Council, to an alternate process for further study and evaluation.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to advance proposed Charter Amendment No. 21, Eligibility for Employment – Citizen, to the July 16, 2024, Council Agenda for consideration by the Council to be placed on the November 5, 2024, ballot for consideration by the voters.**

**SECONDED BY: Mayor Woodards.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Nays:** 1 - Diaz



**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to advance proposed Charter Amendment No. 22, Employment Anti-Discrimination, to the July 16, 2024, Council Agenda for consideration by the Council to be placed on the November 5, 2024, ballot for consideration by the voters.**

**SECONDED BY: Mayor Woodards.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Nays:** 1 - Diaz

**MOTION: Council Member Bushnell moved to direct the City Manager to bring to a Committee the issue of consistency in our nondiscrimination code provisions with State law including consideration of adding “caste” as a protected class in the code.**

**SECONDED BY: Mayor Woodards.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**MOTION: Mayor Woodards moved to refer proposed Charter Amendment No. 5, Charter Review, to an alternative process for further study and evaluation.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**MOTION: Mayor Woodards moved to refer proposed Charter Amendment No. 8, Policing Accountability, to an alternative process for further study and evaluation.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**MOTION: Mayor Woodards moved to advance proposed Charter Amendment No. C1B, Council Meetings, to the July 16, 2024, Council Agenda for consideration by the Council to be placed on the November 5, 2024, ballot for consideration by the voters.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Daniels.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Nays:** 1 - Diaz

**MOTION: Council Member Bushnell moved to advance proposed Charter Amendment No. 7B, Full-Time Council, to the July 16, 2024, Council Agenda for consideration by the Council to be placed on the November 5, 2024, ballot for consideration by the voters.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Daniels.**

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

**Ayes:** 6 - Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Nays:** 2 - Diaz and Rumbaugh

**MOTION: Council Member Bushnell moved to advance proposed Charter Amendment No. C2B, TPU Board Member Qualifications, to the July 16, 2024, Council Agenda for consideration by the Council to be placed on the November 5, 2024, ballot for consideration by the voters.**

**SECONDED BY: Mayor Woodards.**

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

**Ayes:** 6 - Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott and Mayor Woodards

**Nays:** 2 - Diaz and Walker

**MOTION: Council Member Bushnell moved to refer proposed Charter Amendment No. C3B, TPU Board Member Stipends, to the Government Performance and Finance Committee for further study and evaluation.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**MOTION: Mayor Woodards moved to advance proposed Charter Amendment No. 2C, Term Limits, to the July 16, 2024, Council Agenda for consideration by the Council to be placed on the November 5, 2024, ballot for consideration by the voters.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 6 - Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, Rumbaugh, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Nays:** 2 - Diaz and Scott

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to combine proposed Charter Amendment Nos. 21, 22, and C6 into one proposal and resolution for consideration to be placed on the ballot at the July 16, 2024, City Council meeting.**

**SECONDED BY: Mayor Woodards**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Nays:** 1 - Diaz

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 11:40 p.m.

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

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Nicole Emery, City Clerk



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747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402

Council Chambers

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**July 16, 2024**

**5:00 PM**

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## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

## **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## **FLAG SALUTE**

Council Member Diaz stated that we gratefully honor and acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language.

The flag salute was led by Council Member Diaz.

## **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

## **ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK**

There were no items filed in the City Clerk's Office.

## **AGENDA MODIFICATIONS**

**MOTION:** Deputy Mayor Hines moved to suspend Rule 4A of the Rules of Procedure of the Council of the City of Tacoma to add a letter to Enterprise Community Partners to the Consent Agenda as Item 2A.

**SECONDED BY:** Council Member Walker.

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## CONSENT AGENDA

### RESOLUTIONS

1.     [RES41468](#)     A resolution setting Thursday, August 22, 2024, at 9:00 a.m., as the date for a hearing by the Hearing Examiner on the request to vacate a portion of a 16-foot-wide alley lying south of vacated South 30th Street and north of South Tacoma Way and lying between South Wilkeson Street and vacated South Ash Street, to cure building and industrial storage use encroachments. (Bradken, Inc.; File No. 124.1453)  
[Troy Stevens, Senior Real Estate Specialist; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director/City Engineer, Public Works]

### PAYMENTS

2.     [24-0734](#)     Date Range - 06/17/2024 to 06/30/2024  
Payroll in the amount of \$23,886,847.30; Payments in the amount of \$28,796,358.75; for a total of \$52,683,206.05.
- 2A.   [24-0772](#)     A letter from the City Council to Enterprise Community Partners in support of the Multicultural Child and Family Hope Center application.

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 41468 and the letter to Enterprise Community Partners.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 41468 and the letter to Enterprise Community Partners. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

### PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment began at 5:09 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received one written comment for public comment, regarding the proposed City Charter amendments, Resolution Nos. 41472 through 41479.

1. Andrea Reay, speaking on Resolutions Nos. 41472 through 41479.
2. Michele Reich, speaking on Resolution No. 41468.
3. Jay Herring, speaking on Resolution Nos. 41470 and 41472 through 41479.
4. Talison Crosby, speaking on Resolutions Nos. 41472 through 41479.
5. Heidi Stephens, speaking on Resolution Nos. 41468 and 41479.
6. Eva Bowen, speaking on Resolutions Nos. 41472 through 41479.
7. Michelle Mood, speaking on Resolutions Nos. 41472 through 41479.
8. Rebecca Stith, speaking on Resolutions Nos. 41472 through 41479.
9. Marilyn Kimmerling, speaking on Resolutions Nos. 41472 through 41479.
10. Stacy Oaks, speaking on Resolutions Nos. 41472 through 41479.
11. April Smith, speaking on Resolution Nos. 41471 and 41472 through 41479.
12. Oneida Arnold, speaking on Resolutions Nos. 41472 through 41479.
13. Kathy Lawhon, speaking on Resolutions Nos. 41472 through 41479.
14. Devin Rydel Kelly, speaking on Resolutions Nos. 41472 through 41479.
15. Ann Dorn, speaking on Resolutions Nos. 41472 through 41479.
16. Andrea Haug, speaking on Resolution Nos. 41471 and 41472 through 41479.
17. Jami, speaking on Resolutions Nos. 41471 and 41472 through 41479.
18. James, speaking on Resolutions Nos. 41472 through 41479.
19. Barb Church, speaking on Resolutions Nos. 41472 through 41479.

Public comment ended at 5:50 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

### APPOINTMENTS

3. [RES41469](#) A resolution reappointing Addison Atkatsh to the Human Services Commission. [Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41469.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Scott

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The City Council meeting recessed at 5:51 p.m., and reconvened at 6:03 p.m.

4. [RES41470](#) An amended resolution appointing an individual to the City Council District No. 4 position.  
[Mayor Woodards]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41470.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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Mayor Woodards outlined the process of appointing a finalist candidate: first, a vote on a motion to amend resolution to insert the name of the finalist; second, if five votes are received then Council members immediately vote on amended resolution; third, the amended resolution must pass with at least five votes.

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to amend Resolution No. 41470 by inserting the name Silong Chhun on page 2, line 5.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken and failed. The motion was declared failed.**

**Ayes:** 4 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz and Scott

**Nays:** 4 - Hines, Rumbaugh, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to amend Resolution No. 41470 by inserting the name Justin Everman on page 2, line 5.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken and failed. The motion was declared failed.**

**Ayes:** 0

**Nays:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards



**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to amend Resolution No. 41470 by inserting the name Jasmine Brown on page 2, line 5.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken and failed. The motion was declared failed.**

**Ayes:** 4 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz and Scott

**Nays:** 4 - Hines, Rumbaugh, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to amend Resolution No. 41470 by inserting the name Stephen Wamback on page 2, line 5.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken and failed. The motion was declared failed.**

**Ayes:** 0

**Nays:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to amend Resolution No. 41470 by inserting the name Sandesh Sadalge on page 2, line 5.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 6 - Bushnell, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Nays:** 2 - Daniels and Scott

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Nays:** 1 - Scott

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The City Council meeting recessed at 6:45 p.m., and reconvened at 7:05 p.m.

## RESOLUTIONS

5.      [RES41471](#)      A resolution authorizing the one-time use of Council Contingency Funds, in the amount of \$10,000, to support the South End Neighborhood Council's 2024 Block Party and Resource Fair.  
[Council Member Bushnell]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41471.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

6.      [RES41472](#)      A resolution and proposition to amend Article II, Section 2.3 of the Tacoma City Charter to change the name of the "Citizen Commission on Elected Salaries" to "Commission on Elected Salaries," and to align Section 2.3 with Washington State law by stipulating that the salary commission's recommendations go into effect without City Council action.  
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41472.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 1 - Hines

**Nays:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

7. [RES41473](#) A resolution and proposition to amend Article II, Section 2.35 of the Tacoma City Charter to expand the term limits for the Mayor and Council Members elected in or after year 2025 from 10 consecutive years to three consecutive full four-year terms; provided that, the new expanded term limits will not apply to the Mayor and Council Members holding office during the 2025 general election.  
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41473.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Nays:** 1 - Diaz

8. [RES41474](#) A resolution and proposition to add a new section to Article II of the Tacoma City Charter to clarify the priorities and time investment necessary for Council Members to carry out their duties, and authorize the City Council to employ or contract for personnel who will directly report to and advise or assist the Council Members.  
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41474.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 6 - Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Nays:** 2 - Diaz and Rumbaugh

9. [RES41475](#) A resolution and proposition to amend Article III, Section 3.8 of the Tacoma City Charter relating to Planning Commission composition.  
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41475.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Nays:** 1 - Diaz

10. [RES41476](#) A resolution and proposition to amend Article II, Sections 2.3, 2.19, 2.20, and 2.25, Article VI, Sections 6.3 and 6.7, and Article IX, Section 9.2, of the Tacoma City Charter related to equity of access.  
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41476.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Nays:** 1 - Diaz

11. [RES41477](#) A resolution and proposition to amend Article II, Section 2.8 of the Tacoma City Charter to remove the prohibition upon meeting more than weekly and to increase the number of required regular meetings.  
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41477.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Nays:** 1 - Diaz

12. [RES41478](#) A resolution and proposition to amend Article IV, Section 4.9 of the Tacoma City Charter to clarify that members of, or applicants for, the Public Utility Board may hold other elected public office but may not hold Tacoma City Council positions.  
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41478.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and failed. Roll call vote was requested and taken. The Resolution was declared failed.**

**Ayes:** 4 - Bushnell, Daniels, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Nays:** 4 - Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh and Scott

13. [RES41479](#) A resolution and proposition to amend Article IX, Section 9.1 of the Tacoma City Charter to allow sale or other transfer of City-owned waterfront property only to other public agencies with a guarantee that the property will stay in public ownership and be used only for park purposes, park structures, or open space in perpetuity.  
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41479.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

14. [24-0747](#) A motion may be made related to the order of the City of Tacoma ballot propositions approved by the City Council for the November 5, 2024, General Election.

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to approve the order of the City of Tacoma ballot propositions for the November 5, 2024, ballot as follows, provided that, the Mayor may authorize an alteration in response to a request from the County Elections Office to ensure all propositions appear on a single ballot:**

1. Resolution No. 41476 (21, 22, and C6 – Equity of Access)
2. Resolution No. 41477 (C1B – Council Meetings)
3. Resolution No. 41479 (C4B – Sale of Waterfront Property)
4. Resolution No. 41474 (7B – Duties & Authority of Council)
5. Resolution No. 41475 (14B – Planning Commission)
6. Resolution No. 41473 (2C – Term Limits)

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

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Mayor Woodards and Council Members provided information on next steps, noting a resolution at the July 23, 2024, meeting to transmit the full ballot titles to Pierce County, the process to appoint individuals to write "For" and "Against" statements that will appear in the Voters' Pamphlet, and how items not forwarded to the ballot will be handled; and expressed appreciation for members of the community and the Charter Review Committee.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Council Member Rumbaugh shared information on the District No. 2 participatory budgeting process, and reminded everyone that Art on the Ave is taking place on Sunday, July 21, 2024, at Noon, on 6th Avenue.

Council Member Diaz provided information on how people can support businesses impacted by the power outage at the University of Washington Tacoma campus area.

## **REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

There was no report.

## COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

### Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee

Council Member Walker, Chair of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, reported the June 26, 2024, meeting included discussion on expanding the City's deconstruction and salvage efforts; and the July 11, 2024, meeting included presentations on the Schuster Parkway Trail project, accessory dwelling units permit and construction activity, and ceremonial naming requests. She concluded by stating the next meeting will be held in a hybrid format on Tuesday, July 24, 2024, at 4:30 p.m., and will include interviews for Board of Building Appeals, a midcycle update on the Planning Commission's work program, and a presentation on the City's electric vehicle charging station plan.

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Deputy Mayor Hines reported he will be walking across the City next week, and invited others to join him in his walks and an upcoming coffee chat.

## ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

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Nicole Emery, City Clerk







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**July 23, 2024**

**5:00 PM**

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## CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Hines called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

## SWEARING IN CEREMONY FOR COUNCIL MEMBER SADALGE

District No. 4 Council Member Sandesh Sadalge was sworn into office by  
Pierce County Council Member Marty Campbell.

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** 8 - Bushnell, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and  
Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Daniels

Council Member Daniels arrived at 5:11 p.m.

Mayor Woodards participated virtually.

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Council Member Sadalge made comments expressing gratitude for the  
support of his family and other individuals.

## FLAG SALUTE

Council Member Rumbaugh stated that we gratefully honor and acknowledge  
that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make  
their home and speak the Lushootseed language.

The flag salute was led by Council Member Rumbaugh.

Council Member Daniels arrived here, at 5:11 p.m.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

In honor of Dennis Flannigan.

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1.     [24-0748](#)     Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, June 26, 2024.
2.     [24-0749](#)     Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, June 26, 2024.
3.     [24-0770](#)     Tacoma Employees' Retirement System, Annual Comprehensive Financial Report 2023.

## AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no modifications to the agenda.

## CONSENT AGENDA

## PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

4.     [RES41480](#)     A resolution awarding a contract to Herrera Environmental Consultants, in the amount of \$1,210,287, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the Stormwater Fund, to implement a field study to monitor stormwater and storm sediments for contaminants of emerging concern - Architectural and Engineering Roster Contract No. CW2265700. [Brandi Lubliner, Principal Engineer; Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Interim Director, Environmental Services]
5.     [RES41481](#)     A resolution awarding a contract to Kemira Water Solutions, Inc., in the amount of \$582,000, sales tax not applicable, budgeted from the Wastewater Fund, for the purchase of liquid polyaluminum chloride used in treating wastewater at the City's wastewater treatment plants, for an initial contract period of three years, with the option to renew for two additional one-year periods, for a projected contract total of \$970,000 - Specification No. ES24-0095F. [Josiah Rowell, Warehouse Supervisor; Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Interim Director, Environmental Services]
6.     [RES41482](#)     A resolution authorizing an increase and extending the contract with Cascadia Consulting Group, in the amount of \$312,248, plus applicable taxes, for a cumulative total of \$735,683, budgeted from the Solid Waste Fund, to allow for additional waste characterization work for the recently awarded Consumer Recycling Education and Outreach Grant, through December 31, 2027 - Specification No. ES23-0042F. [Phet Sinthavong, Senior Regulatory Compliance Analyst; Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Interim Director, Environmental Services]

7. [RES41483](#) A resolution authorizing an increase to the contract with Retail Lockbox Inc, in the amount of \$400,000, plus applicable taxes, for a cumulative total of \$1,000,000, budgeted from various departmental funds, to add a Clover point-of-sale collection system for Tagro - Specification No. FI21-0595F.  
[Patsy Best, Procurement and Payables Division Manager;  
Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

## RESOLUTIONS

8. [RES41484](#) A resolution setting Tuesday, August 13, 2024, 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 consideration for extending an existing moratorium on certain high-impact uses within the South Tacoma Groundwater Protection District.  
[Maryam Moeinian, Senior Planner; Peter Huffman, Director,  
Planning and Development Services]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt the  
Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 41480 through 41484.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the  
Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 41480 through 41484.  
The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott,  
Walker and Mayor Woodards

## PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

9. [24-0786](#) Proclaiming July 31-August 5, 2024, as Power Paddle to Puyallup Youth Canoe Journey Week.

Deputy Mayor Hines proclaimed July 31 - August 5, 2025, as Power Paddle to Puyallup Youth Canoe Journey Week and presented the proclamation to Annette Bryan, Councilwoman, and Amy McFarland, Member, Puyallup Tribal Council; and Connie McCloud, Heritage Division Manager, Puyallup Tribe of Indians.

10. [24-0771](#) Proclaiming July 2024 as Disability Pride Month.

Deputy Mayor Hines proclaimed July 2024 as Disability Pride Month and presented the proclamation to Haley Edick, Vice Chair, Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities; Nalani Linder, Executive Director, Tacoma Area Coalition of Individuals with Disabilities; Mattice Hoyt, Owner, Mattice Beauty Supply; Krystal Jimenez, Local Artist; and Clover Tamayo, Owner, Clover Daydreams bookstore.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public Comment began at 5:41 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received no written comment for public comment.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Sally Perkins, speaking on Resolution No. 41491.
2. Laurie Arnold, speaking on Resolution Nos. 41491 and 41490.
3. Michele Reich, speaking on Resolution No. 41490.
4. Ovunayo X, speaking on Resolution No. 41491.
5. Kathy Lawhon, speaking Resolution Nos. 41484 and 41489.

Public comment ended at 5:52 p.m.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

11. [24-0785](#) A motion may be considered to authorize the City's full and final settlement of all claims against the City in the matter of Brandon T. Barrett v. City of Tacoma, et al., Pierce County Superior Court Cause No. 22-2-04653-3, related to an incident occurring on January 16, 2021 involving a Tacoma Power tree trimming bucket utility truck, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$850,000.00 and execution of a release in a form approved by the City Attorney.

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to authorize the City's full and final settlement of all claims against the City in the matter of Brandon T. Barrett v. City of Tacoma, et al., Pierce County Superior Court Cause No. 22-2-04653-3, related to an incident occurring on January 16, 2021, involving a Tacoma Power tree trimming bucket utility truck, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$850,000.00 and execution of a release in a form approved by the City Attorney.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## **APPOINTMENTS**

12.     [RES41486](#)     A resolution appointing individuals to committees that will prepare statements “For” and “Against” Proposition No. 1, concerning lifting the property tax levy for the Tacoma Fire Department, which will appear in the Voters’ Pamphlet for the November 5, 2024, General Election.  
[Debra E. Casparian, Deputy City Attorney; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41486.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## **PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS**

13.     [RES41487](#)     A resolution awarding a contract to Rognlins, Inc, in the amount of \$3,520,400, plus applicable taxes, plus a 20 percent contingency, budgeted from the Wastewater Fund, for construction of the Central Treatment Plant Secondary Clarifier Nos. 4, 5, and 6 Restoration Project, for a projected contract total of \$4,224,480 - Specification No. ES24-0075F.  
[Kevin Sorum, Senior Associate Civil Engineer; Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Interim Director, Environmental Services]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41487.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

14. [RES41488](#) A resolution authorizing an increase and extending the contract with Northwest Industrial Staffing, Inc, in the amount of \$300,000, plus applicable taxes, for a cumulative total of \$2,680,000, budgeted from the Tacoma Dome and Convention Center Operations funds, for on-call temporary personnel services, through October 30, 2024 - Specification No. PF18-0420F.  
[Josh Kropf, Assistant Director; Adam Cook, Director, Tacoma Venues and Events]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41488.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

15. [RES41489](#) A resolution authorizing an increase and extending the contract with Wells Fargo Bank, NA, in the amount of \$1,000,000, plus applicable taxes, for a cumulative total of \$3,500,000, budgeted from various departmental funds, for merchant services, through March 31, 2030 - Specification No. FI13-0360F.  
[Patsy Best, Procurement and Payables Division Manager; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41489.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## RESOLUTIONS

16.     [RES41490](#)     A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing 12-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Meacham Development, LLC, for the development of six multi-family market and regulated rate rental housing units, located at 2418 South “I” Street in the Downtown Regional Growth Center. [Debbie Bingham, Project Manager; Patricia Beard, Interim Director, Community and Economic Development]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41490.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Nays:** 1 - Scott

17.     [RES41491](#)     A resolution transmitting six proposed amendments to the City Charter to the Pierce County Auditor to be placed on the ballot, and calling for a Special Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, in conjunction with the General Election for the purpose of the voters’ consideration of said proposed Charter amendments. [Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41491.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, Rumbaugh, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Nays:** 1 - Diaz

**Abstain:** 1 - Sadalge

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Deputy Mayor Hines gave a reminder that the City Clerk's Office is accepting letters of interest to serve on the committees to prepare statements "For" and "Against" each proposed City Charter amendment, through Friday, July 26, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.; letters will be reviewed by the Government Performance and Finance Committee at a special meeting on Monday, July 29, 2024, starting at 10:00 a.m.; and the full City Council will consider an appointment resolution at the July 30, 2024, meeting.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

## **COMMUNITY FORUM**

Community forum began at 6:25 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received 10 written comments for community forum regarding the Scott Pierson Trail, vehicle emissions, Tacoma Fire Department funding, Chambers remodel, proposed City Charter amendments, Pierce Transit, shipping containers, and the Harrison Shooting Range.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Heidi Stephens, regarding equity in South Tacoma and City water.
2. April Smith, regarding form of government.
3. Sally Perkins, regarding homelessness.
4. Theresa Evans, regarding Council Members walking around the City.
5. Michele Reich, regarding vehicle emission mitigation and transitioning to electric vehicles.
6. Daren Holter, regarding Harrison Shooting Range.
7. Samralee Richardson, regarding Home in Tacoma.
8. Kathy Lawhon, regarding Alberta J. Canada apartments management.
9. Ovunayo X, regarding homelessness.

Community forum ended at 6:42 p.m.

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The meeting recessed at 6:42 p.m., and reconvened at 6:50 p.m.

## **REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

There was no report.



## COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

### Economic Development Committee

Council Member Daniels, Chair of the Economic Development Committee, reported at the July 9, 2024, meeting, the Committee received a presentation on the City's Economic Disparity study; and the July 23, 2024, meeting, included a presentation on updating the City's Economic Development Strategy Plan. She concluded by stating the next meeting will be held in hybrid format on July 30, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., and will include interviews for the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board and a debrief on the initial meetings with BLOXHUB on sustainable urbanization.

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Deputy Mayor Hines commented on the passing of Matt Driscoll, stating a moment on silence will be held in his honor during next week's meeting.

## ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

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Nicole Emery, City Clerk





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**July 30, 2024**

**5:00 PM**

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## CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## FLAG SALUTE

Council Member Scott stated that we gratefully honor and acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language.

The flag salute was led by Council Member Scott.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

In honor of Matt Driscoll.

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [24-0817](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, December 13, 2023.
2. [24-0818](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, January 10, 2024.
3. [24-0819](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, January 24, 2024.
4. [24-0820](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, February 14, 2024.
5. [24-0821](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, February 28, 2024.

## AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

Mayor Woodards stated a motion will be made on Item 9, Resolution No. 41495, to revise the date of the public hearing on the Home in Tacoma zoning and standards package to September 24, 2024, and Item 11, to consider as a substitute, Substitute Resolution No. 41496, to insert the names of individuals being appointed to the “For” and “Against” Committees for the proposed City Charter amendments.

## CONSENT AGENDA

### PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

6.     [RES41492](#)     A resolution awarding a contract to Alliant Insurance Services, Inc., in the amount of \$717,500, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the General Government and Tacoma Public Utilities Self Insurance funds, for insurance brokerage services, for an initial contract period of five years - Specification No. FI24-0065F.  
[Luis Fragoso, Risk Manager; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]
  
7.     [RES41493](#)     A resolution awarding a contract to Ball and Son Excavation, LLC, in the amount of \$573,300, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the Wastewater and Stormwater funds, for on-call hauling of organic material consisting of stormwater sediments, sanitary/storm sewer, and street sweeping debris, for a contract period of five years - Specification No. ES23-0147F.  
[Hugh Messer, Operations and Maintenance Division Manager; Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Interim Director, Environmental Services]
  
8.     [RES41494](#)     A resolution awarding a contract to General Mechanical, Inc., in the amount of \$1,399,571.00, plus applicable taxes, plus a four percent contingency, budgeted from the Transportation Capital and Engineering Fund, for the installation of one vertical asphalt oil storage tank with all associated pumps, piping, insulation, heat trace, ladders, and catwalk, and including a concrete foundation and secondary containment, for a projected contract total of \$1,455,553.84 - Specification No. PW24-0070F.  
[Josh Lauer, Project Manager; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director/City Engineer, Public Works]

## RESOLUTIONS

9. [RES41495](#) A resolution setting Tuesday, [September 24](#), ~~August 27~~, 2024, 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 Home In Tacoma zoning and standards package, as recommended by the Planning Commission.  
[Alyssa Torrez, Senior Planner; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

This item was considered later in the meeting.

## PAYMENTS

10. [24-0803](#) Date Range - 07/01/2024 to 07/14/2024  
Payroll in the amount of \$22,641,534.39; Payments in the amount of \$37,243,050.19; for a total of \$59,884,584.58.

**Deputy Mayor Hines requested Resolution No. 41495 be removed from the Consent Agenda, and be considered under the Regular Agenda.**

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 41492 through 41494.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 41492 through 41494. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment began at 5:09 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received no written comment for public comment.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Maricres Castro, speaking on Resolution No. 41496.
2. Connor Hem, speaking on Resolution Nos. 41496 and 41497.
3. Latasha Palmer, speaking on Resolution No. 41497.

4. Barbara Church, speaking on Resolution No. 41497.
5. Michele Reich, speaking on Ordinance No. 28974.
6. Sally Perkins, speaking on Resolution No. 41497.
7. Rebecca Stith, speaking on Resolution No. 41497.
8. Samralee Richardson, speaking on Resolution No. 41495.

Public comment ended at 5:25 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

### APPOINTMENTS

11.     [RES41496](#)     A resolution appointing individuals to committees that will prepare statements “For” and “Against” proposed amendments to the Tacoma City Charter which will appear in the Voters’ Pamphlet for the Special Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024.  
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41496.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved as a substitute, Substitute Resolution No. 41496.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**RESOLUTIONS**

9. [RES41495](#) A resolution setting Tuesday, [September 24](#), ~~August 27~~, 2024, 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 Home In Tacoma zoning and standards package, as recommended by the Planning Commission.  
[Alyssa Torrez, Senior Planner; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41495.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to amend Resolution No. 41495 to change the date of the public hearing to September 24, 2024 on page 1, line 1, and page 2, line 21.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

12. [RES41497](#) A resolution consolidating and clarifying the recommendations of the City Council with respect to certain proposed City Charter and Municipal Code amendments not referred for placement on the ballot for the November 5, 2024, Special Municipal Election.  
[Mayor Woodards]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41497.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

13.     [ORD28974](#)     An ordinance amending Chapter 11.05 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Model Traffic Ordinance, by amending various sections to better align with current business practices; and adding a new Section 11.05.246, entitled “Obstruct bike lane or path” and a new Section 11.05.255, entitled “Permit Parking Only Zones - violation”, to add parking management tools to enhance safety and utilization of the right-of-way.  
[Eric Huseby, Assistant Division Manager; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director/City Engineer, Public Works]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28974 was set over for final reading next week.**

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

## REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

There was no report.

## COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

### Community Vitality and Safety Committee

Council Member Rumbaugh, Vice Chair of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, reported the July 11, 2024, meeting was cancelled; and the July 25, 2024, meeting, the Committee received an update on Youth and Young Adult Violence Reduction program. She concluded by stating the August 8, 2024, meeting is cancelled, and the next meeting will be held in a hybrid format on August 22, 2024, at 4:30 p.m., and will include a briefing on Tacoma Municipal Code Chapter 8.30 related to code compliance, an update on the 2025 Consolidated Planning process, and interviews for the Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities.

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Council Member Walker commented on new electric vehicle parking installations.

Deputy Mayor Hines commented on the “For” and “Against” Committees.

Mayor Woodards, Deputy Mayor Hines, and Council Members Scott and Daniels commented on the passing of Tacoma News Tribune reporter Matt Driscoll.



## **ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

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Nicole Emery, City Clerk





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**August 06, 2024**

**5:00 PM**

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## CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Hines called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Sadalge, Scott and Walker

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

Mayor Woodards arrived at 5:04 p.m.

Council Member Walker and Mayor Woodards participated virtually.

## FLAG SALUTE

Council Member Bushnell stated that we gratefully honor and acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language.

The flag salute was led by Council Member Bushnell.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [24-0827](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, July 25, 2023.
2. [24-0828](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, August 8, 2023.
3. [24-0840](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, August 22, 2023.
4. [24-0841](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, August 29, 2023.
5. [24-0842](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, September 12, 2023.
6. [24-0843](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, September 26, 2023.

7. [24-0814](#) Minutes of the Planning Commission, October 18, 2023.
8. [24-0815](#) Minutes of the Planning Commission, November 1, 2023.
9. [24-0816](#) Minutes of the Planning Commission, November 15, 2023.

## AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no modifications to the agenda.

## CONSENT AGENDA

10. [24-0829](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, November 14, 2023.
11. [24-0830](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, November 21, 2023.
12. [24-0839](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, January 23, 2024.

## PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

13. [RES41498](#) A resolution authorizing an increase to the contract with Ahlers Cressman & Sleight, PLLC, in the amount of \$100,000, plus applicable taxes, for a cumulative total of \$600,000, budgeted from the Wastewater and Stormwater funds, for the I-5/Portland Avenue to Port of Tacoma Road, Northbound High Occupancy Vehicle Project, “T” Street Utility Corridor - Direct Negotiation Waiver, Contract No. CW2235033. [Chris Bacha, City Attorney; Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Interim Director, Environmental Services]

**MOTION: Council Member Daniels moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 41498.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Diaz.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 41498. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Sadalge, Scott and Walker  
**Absent:** 2 - Rumbaugh and Mayor Woodards

## PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment began at 5:04 p.m.

Mayor Woodards arrived here, at 5:04 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received two written comments for public comment, regarding Ordinance No. 28974.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Laura Svancarek, speaking on Ordinance No. 28974.
2. Michele Reich, speaking on Resolution No. 41500.
3. Jaime Vogt, speaking on Ordinance No. 28974.

Public comment ended at 5:11 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

## PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

14.     [RES41499](#)     A resolution authorizing an increase to the contract with Reed Trucking & Excavating, Inc., in the amount of \$380,000.00, plus applicable taxes, for a cumulative total of \$4,861,195.80, budgeted from Streets Initiative and Stormwater funds, for unforeseen sub-surface conditions and quantity underruns - Specification No. PW23-0051F. [Josh Lauer, Project Manager; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director/City Engineer, Public Works]

**MOTION: Council Member Daniels moved to adopt Resolution No. 41499.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Diaz.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Rumbaugh

## RESOLUTIONS

15.     [RES41500](#)     A resolution conferring the honorary street name “Bill Evans Place” for North 27th Street between North Proctor Street and North Madison Street.  
[Brennan Kidd, P.E. PTOE, Assistant Division Manager;  
Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director/City Engineer, Public Works]

**MOTION: Council Member Daniels moved to adopt Resolution No. 41500.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Diaz.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Rumbaugh

16.     [RES41501](#)     A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Sheet Metal, Air, Rail, and Transportation Workers - Transportation Division, Conductors Unit, retroactive to July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2027.  
[Dylan Carlson, Labor Relations Division Manager; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Council Member Daniels moved to adopt Resolution No. 41501.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Bushnell.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Rumbaugh

17. [RES41502](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Supervisors' Unit, regarding compensation for employees in the classification of Biosolids Supervisor. [Dylan Carlson, Labor Relations Division Manager; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Council Member Daniels moved to adopt Resolution No. 41502.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Diaz.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Rumbaugh

18. [RES41503](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Supervisors' Unit, regarding the accretion of the classifications of Hydro Park Supervisor and Assistant Hydro Park Supervisor. [Dylan Carlson, Labor Relations Division Manager; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Council Member Daniels moved to adopt Resolution No. 41503.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Diaz.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Rumbaugh

19. [RES41504](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Supervisors' Unit, regarding a new classification entitled Water Electrical and Controls Field Supervisor. [Dylan Carlson, Labor Relations Division Manager; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Council Member Daniels moved to adopt Resolution No. 41504.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Diaz.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Rumbaugh

## **FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES**

20. [ORD28974](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 11.05 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Model Traffic Ordinance, by amending various sections to better align with current business practices; and adding a new Section 11.05.246, entitled "Obstruct bike lane or path" and a new Section 11.05.255, entitled "Permit Parking Only Zones - violation", to add parking management tools to enhance safety and utilization of the right-of-way. [Eric Huseby, Assistant Division Manager; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director/City Engineer, Public Works]

**MOTION: Council Member Sadalge moved to direct the City Manager to have staff bring a framework for proposed permit regulations to the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee for discussion and feedback before exercising the authorities established through Ordinance No. 28974.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Diaz.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Rumbaugh



**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28974. The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Rumbaugh

## **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

21. [ORD28975](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation for employees represented by the International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail and Transportation - Transportation Division, Conductors Unit, and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Supervisors' Unit. [Kari Louie, Assistant Director; Shelby Fritz, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28975 was set over for final reading next week.**

22. [ORD28976](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to correct pay rates provided in Ordinance No. 28972, for the classification of Development Services Program Coordinator Supervisor. [Kari Louie, Assistant Director; Shelby Fritz, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28976 was set over for final reading next week.**

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

## **COMMUNITY FORUM**

Community forum began at 5:40 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received five written comments for community forum, regarding the City logo, street trees, impact fees, electric vehicles, and cellphone usage.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Heidi Stephens, regarding the Board of Building Appeals.
2. April Smith, regarding public safety.
3. Michele Reich, regarding electric vehicles.
4. Samralee Richardson, regarding the residential infill pilot program.

Community forum ended at 5:48 p.m.

## **REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

There was no report.

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

### **Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee**

Council Member Walker, Chair of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, reported at the July 24, 2024, meeting, the Committee held interviews for the Board of Building Appeals, received an update on the Planning Commission work program, and received a presentation on the state of electric vehicle charging in Tacoma. She concluded by stating the next meeting will be held in a hybrid format on Wednesday, August 14, 2024, at 4:30 p.m., and will include interviews for the Transportation Commission and an update on Streets Initiative 2.

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Deputy Mayor Hines reminded everyone that tonight is National Night Out and Primary Election Day.

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**MOTION: Council Member Daniels moved to excuse Council Member Rumbaugh from the meeting.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Diaz.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Rumbaugh

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

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Nicole Emery, City Clerk





# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402

Council Chambers

Dial: 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 848 3423 3126

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**August 13, 2024**

**5:00 PM**

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## CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## FLAG SALUTE

Council Member Daniels stated that we gratefully honor and acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language.

The flag salute was led by Council Member Daniels.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [24-0798](#) Minutes of the Greater Tacoma Regional Convention Center Public Facilities District Board, April 24, 2024.

## AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

**MOTION:** Deputy Mayor Hines moved to replace the letters for Item 9 with revised letters to the Pierce County Council and Pierce County Executive, regarding homeless services.

**SECONDED BY:** Council Member Walker.

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

2. [24-0847](#) Minutes of the City Council special meeting, January 26, 2024.
3. [24-0848](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, January 30, 2024.
4. [24-0868](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, February 6, 2024.
5. [24-0869](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, February 13, 2024.
6. [24-0870](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, February 20, 2024.
7. [24-0888](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, February 27, 2024.
8. [24-0890](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, March 5, 2024.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

9. [24-0881](#) Letters from the City Council to the Pierce County Council and Pierce County Executive regarding homeless services.

## **PAYMENTS**

10. [24-0876](#) Date Range - 07/15/2024 to 07/28/2024  
Payroll in the amount of \$24,590,292.84; Payments in the amount of \$33,156,783.14; for a total of \$57,747,075.98.

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt the Consent Agenda.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment began at 5:03 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received no written comment for public comment.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Jasmine Bridges, speaking on Resolution No. 41509.
2. Kenya Brown, speaking on Resolution No. 41509.
3. Michele Reich, speaking on 24-0881, letter from the City Council.
4. Onya Robertson, speaking on Resolution No. 41509.
5. Akuyea Vargas, speaking on Resolution No. 41509.
6. Charles Carson, speaking on Resolution No. 41509.
7. Laurie Arnold, speaking on Resolution No. 41509.
8. Pam Bridges, speaking on Resolution No. 41509.

Public comment ended at 5:20 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

### APPOINTMENTS

11.     [RES41505](#)     A resolution reappointing Minh-Anh Hodge to the Board of Commissioners of the Tacoma Housing Authority for a five-year term, beginning August 16, 2024, to expire on August 15, 2029.  
[Mayor Woodards]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41505.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

12. [RES41506](#) A resolution appointing individuals to the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board.  
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41506.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## **PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS**

13. [RES41507](#) A resolution awarding a contract to HCL America, Inc., in the amount of \$9,212,907, plus applicable taxes, plus a 20 percent contingency, budgeted from the Information Services Fund, for a system integrator for SAP Business Suite 4 High-performance Analytic Appliance RISE, and cloud service implementation and data migration, for an initial contract period of three years, for a projected contract total of \$11,055,488 - Specification Nos. IT23-0326F and IT23-0327F.  
[Angelita Zoleta, Assistant Director; Daniel Key, Director, Information Technology]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41507.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

14. [RES41508](#) A resolution authorizing an increase to the contract with SSI Shredding Systems, Inc., in the amount of \$2,000,000, plus applicable taxes, for a cumulative total of \$4,933,968, budgeted from the Solid Waste Fund, for on-going maintenance of Solid Waste Management's East and West Compactors - Not Practicable to Bid, Contract No. CW2248349.  
[Shane Pettit, Assistant Division Manager; Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Interim Director, Environmental Services]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41508.**



**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## **RESOLUTIONS**

15.     [RES41509](#)     A resolution conferring the honorary name “Dr. W. Joye Hardiman Park” to City-owned property located at 1505 South 5th Street (Parcel No. 2004300010). [Anna Le, Management Fellow; Melanie Harding, Interim Deputy City Manager, City Manager’s Office]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41509.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## **FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES**

16.     [ORD28975](#)     An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation for employees represented by the International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail and Transportation - Transportation Division, Conductors Unit, and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Supervisors’ Unit. [Kari Louie, Assistant Director; Shelby Fritz, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28975. The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

17. [ORD28976](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to correct pay rates provided in Ordinance No. 28972, for the classification of Development Services Program Coordinator Supervisor. [Kari Louie, Assistant Director; Shelby Fritz, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28976.**

**The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS**

18. [24-0831](#) This is the date set for a public hearing by the City Council on the consideration for extending an existing moratorium on certain uses within the South Tacoma Groundwater Protection District. [Maryam Moeinian, Senior Planner; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

The public hearing began at 5:51 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received 12 written comments for the public hearing.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Esther Day.
2. Jon S.
3. Heidi Stephens.
4. Stacy Oaks.
5. Cathie Urwin.
6. Aife.
7. April Smith.
8. Michele Reich.
9. Randall Barclay.
10. Kyle Jolibois.

The public hearing ended at 6:19 p.m.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

## COMMUNITY FORUM

Community forum began at 6:20 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received two written comments for community forum regarding the community survey and customer service.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Odette D'Aniello, regarding arson, homelessness, and Ordinance No. 28831.
2. Kathy Lawhon, regarding the Northwest ICE Processing Center.
3. April Smith, regarding homeless encampments.
4. Stacy Oaks, regarding public comment periods.
5. Esther Day, regarding homelessness and drug use.
6. Michele Reich, regarding electric vehicle transition and air pollution.
7. Kyle Jolibois, regarding Project 2025.
8. Treveon Parish, regarding public transportation access in Northeast Tacoma.

Community forum ended at 6:34 p.m.

## REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Elizabeth Pauli reported the Center of Urban Waters had an evacuation due to a collision resulting in a fuel spill; the situation is being monitored by Tacoma Fire and City environmental compliance staff and the Washington Department of Ecology and United States Coast Guard are responsible for clean up.

## COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

### Economic Development Committee

Council Member Daniels, Chair of the Economic Development Committee, reported the July 23, 2024, meeting, included interviews for the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board and an informational briefing on the City's engagement with sustainable urbanization consultant BLOXHUB; the August 13, 2024, meeting, included interviews for the Equity in Contracting Advisory Board. She concluded by stating the next meeting will be held in a hybrid format on August 27, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

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Deputy Mayor Hines announced the online release of "The Ten of Us", a project from Tacoma's Foster Creative and eTc, which may be viewed for free at [www.theten253.com](http://www.theten253.com).

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

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Nicole Emery, City Clerk



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## CALL TO ORDER

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

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## FLAG SALUTE

Council Member Diaz stated that we gratefully honor and acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language.

The flag salute was led by Council Member Diaz.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [24-0893](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, February 6, 2024.
2. [24-0894](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee and Audit Advisory Board joint meeting, February 20, 2024.
3. [24-0895](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, March 5, 2024.
4. [24-0896](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, March 19, 2024.
5. [24-0892](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board, June 3, 2024.

## AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

Mayor Woodards stated that there are two modifications to the agenda: Item 14, to consider a substitute Resolution No. 41512 to revise several Council Member appointments; and adding Item 18a, to consider a motion adopting a statement of the City Council.

## CONSENT AGENDA

6.     [24-0914](#)     Minutes of the joint City Council and Port of Tacoma Commission study session, November 28, 2023.
7.     [24-0915](#)     Minutes of the joint City Council and Public Utility Board study session, December 5, 2023.

## INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS

8.     [RES41510](#)     A resolution authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement with the Port of Tacoma, in the amount of \$30,000, and accepting and depositing said sum into the Special Revenue Fund, for reimbursement of costs related to interpretive and wayfinding signage and a viewfinder at the McKinley Overlook.  
[Lauren Hoogkamer, Principal Planner; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]
9.     [RES41511](#)     A resolution authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement with the City of Fircrest, in the amount of \$177,992.21, plus a 15 percent contingency, for a cumulative total of \$204,691.04, budgeted from the Streets Initiative Fund, for construction of a joint project on South Orchard Street and Center Street.  
[Jack Niehuser, P.E., Engineering Division Manager; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director/City Engineer, Public Works]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 41510 and 41511.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 41510 and 41511. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

10.     [24-0898](#)     Proclaiming Thursday, August 22, 2024, as The Humane Society for Tacoma and Pierce County Day.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed Thursday, August 22, 2024, as The Humane Society for Tacoma and Pierce County (Humane Society) Day, and presented the proclamation to Ashley Taulbee, Chief Philanthropy Officer, and Megan Tackett, Development Coordinator, Humane Society.

11.     [24-0897](#)     Recognizing Bruce Kendall.

Mayor Woodards presented a recognition to Bruce Kendall, President and CEO, Economic Development Board for Tacoma-Pierce County.

12.     [24-0907](#)     City Council Jobs 253 Intern Presentation.

Cassidy Maruska and Anne Jacobson-Mowery, Jobs 253 interns, provided a presentation on their internship experiences with the City Council.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment began at 5:39 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received no written comment for public comment.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Heidi Stephens, speaking on Ordinance No. 28977 and the Citizen Commission on Elected Salaries' decision.
2. Cathie Urwin, speaking on Ordinance No. 28977.
3. Jami, speaking on Ordinance No. 28977.
4. Stacy Oaks, speaking on Ordinance No. 28977.
5. April Smith, speaking on Resolution No. 41512 and Ordinance No. 28977.
6. Michele Reich, speaking on The Humane Society for Tacoma and Pierce County Day proclamation.

Public comment ended at 5:52 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

13. [24-0903](#) A motion may be made to authorize the City's full and final settlement of all claims against the City in the matter of The Estate of Wesley Evans v. City of Tacoma, et al., Pierce County Superior Court Cause No. 20-2-07562-6, related to an incident occurring on September 19, 2017 involving a fatality collision with a Tacoma Rail train near the intersection of Milwaukee Way and Lincoln Avenue, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 and execution of a settlement agreement in a form approved by the City Attorney and consistent with the terms agreed to pursuant to CR 2A.

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to authorize the City's full and final settlement of all claims against the City in the matter of The Estate of Wesley Evans v. City of Tacoma, et al., Pierce County Superior Court Cause No. 20-2-07562-6, related to an incident occurring on September 19, 2017 involving a fatality collision with a Tacoma Rail train near the intersection of Milwaukee Way and Lincoln Avenue, upon payment by the City in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 and execution of a settlement agreement in a form approved by the City Attorney and consistent with the terms agreed to pursuant to CR 2A.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Diaz

## APPOINTMENTS

14. [RES41512](#) A resolution revising the appointments of City Council Members to various national, state, regional, and local committees, boards, and commissions, including the City Council's Standing Committees, through December 31, 2024.  
[Mayor Woodards]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41512.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**



**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved as a substitute, Substitute Resolution No. 41512.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Diaz

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Diaz

## COMMUNICATIONS

15.     [24-0910](#)     City Clerk transmitting the Citizen Commission on Elected Salaries' decision regarding the Mayor and City Council Members' annual salary.

This item was informational only.

## PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

16.     [RES41513](#)     A resolution awarding a contract to Global Contractors, LLC, in the amount of \$1,878,854.00, plus applicable taxes, plus a 20 percent contingency, for a cumulative total of \$2,254,624.80, budgeted from the Transportation Capital Fund, for construction of 21 intersection improvements, including curb ramps, sidewalks, bulb-outs, and roadway and stormwater improvements, as needed - Specification No. PW24-0054F.  
[Clara Dubow, P.E., Project Manager; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director/City Engineer, Public Works]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41513.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Rumbaugh

17. [RES41514](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Global Contractors, LLC, in the amount of \$2,123,050.00, plus applicable taxes, plus a 15 percent contingency, budgeted from the Transportation Capital Fund, for sidewalk and streetscape improvements from South 15th Street to South 19th Street along Martin Luther King Jr. Way, for a projected contract total of \$2,441,507.50 - Specification No. PW23-0160F. [Jon Kulju, PMP, Project Manager; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director/City Engineer, Public Works]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41514.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Rumbaugh

## **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

18. [ORD28977](#) An ordinance approving a six-month extension of Ordinance No. 28872, which enacted interim land use regulations within the South Tacoma Groundwater Protection District (STGPD) to temporarily prohibit the establishment of new or the expansion of existing underground storage tanks, metal recycling, and auto wrecking facilities within the STGPD, as approved by the City Council, and as previously extended by Ordinance No. 28958. [Adam Nolan, Senior Planner; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28977 was set over for final reading next week.**

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

## REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Elizabeth Pauli reported two City employees received awards: Joe Franco, Special Assistant to the Director, Public Works, received the Advancing the Profession award from the Washington City-County Management Association; and Maria Teresa Gamez, Language Access Program Coordinator, City Manager's Office, received the Social Justice award at the Celebrando Comunidad Latine event.

## COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

### Government Performance and Finance Committee

Deputy Mayor Hines, Chair of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, reported the July 16, 2024, meeting, included a monthly budget update including demonstration of the Balancing Act website; Fire Levy "For" and "Against" committee letter review; and briefing on Multi-Family Tax Exemption program; the July 29, 2024, special meeting included City Charter amendments "For" and "Against" committee letter review; the August 6, 2024, meeting included presentations on the Accessory Dwelling Unit Accelerator project, and a request to refinance Convention Center bonds; and the meeting held earlier today included a proposed franchise agreement with Unite Private Networks, LLC, the Environmental Services 2025-2026 proposed budget and rate revenues, and proposed amendments to the Tacoma Municipal Code related to electricity tax, utilities tax, and special permits. He concluded by stating the September 3, 2024, meeting is cancelled, and the next meeting will be held in a hybrid format on September 17, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., as a joint quarterly meeting with the Audit Advisory Board, and will include a monthly budget update and a cost of services analysis and rates for Tacoma Power, Tacoma Rail, and Tacoma Water.

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Council Member Sadalge invited the community to the Safety Fair at the Eastside Community Center on Saturday, August 24, 2024.

Deputy Mayor Hines invited the community to the dedication for the ceremonial renaming of Bill Evans Place in the Proctor District on Saturday, August 24, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., and to the Proctor Food Fest on Sunday, August 25, 2024, at 11:00 a.m.

Council Member Scott invited the community to the Hilltop Street Fair on Saturday, August 24, 2024, at 11:00 a.m.

- 18a. [24-0936](#) City Council statement in response to the Tacoma Pierce County Coalition letter to the Department of Justice.

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt as a statement of the City Council, the statement that has been filed with the City Clerk in response to the Tacoma Pierce County Coalition letter to the Department of Justice.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

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Nicole Emery, City Clerk



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**5:00 PM**

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## CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## FLAG SALUTE

Deputy Mayor Hines stated that we gratefully honor and acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language.

The flag salute was led by Deputy Mayor Hines.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [24-0941](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, April 2, 2024.
2. [24-0942](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee special meeting, April 23, 2024.
3. [24-0929](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, July 10, 2024.
4. [24-0930](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, July 10, 2024.
5. [24-0931](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, July 24, 2024.
6. [24-0932](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, July 24, 2024.
7. [24-0909](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Arts Commission, June 10, 2024.

## AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no modifications to the agenda.

## CONSENT AGENDA

### PAYMENTS

8. [24-0935](#) Date Range - 07/29/2024 to 08/11/2024  
Payroll in the amount of \$22,522,861.28; Payments in the amount of \$29,570,763.27;  
for a total of \$52,093,624.55.

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt the Consent Agenda.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the  
Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott,  
Walker and Mayor Woodards

### PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment began at 5:03 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received three written comments for public  
comment, regarding Resolution Nos. 41519 and 41520, and  
Ordinance No. 28977.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Heidi Stephens, speaking on Ordinance No. 28977.
2. Esther Day, speaking on Ordinance No. 28977.
3. Michele Reich, speaking on Resolution Nos. 41519 and 41520, and  
Ordinance No. 28977.
4. Marilyn Kimmerling, speaking on Ordinance No. 28977.
5. Kathy Lawhon, speaking on Resolution No. 41522.
6. Kit Burns, speaking on Resolution Nos. 41519, 41520, and 41521.
7. Cordell Hampshire, speaking on Resolution No. 41521 and  
Ordinance No. 28977.

Public comment ended at 5:16 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

### APPOINTMENTS

9.      [RES41515](#)      A resolution appointing and reappointing individuals to the Equity in Contracting Advisory Committee.  
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41515.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

10.     [RES41516](#)      A resolution appointing Mandy Zylstra to the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board.  
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41516.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

11.     [RES41517](#)      A resolution appointing and reappointing individuals to the Transportation Commission.  
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41517.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

12.     [RES41518](#)     A resolution awarding a contract to Miles Resources LLC, in the amount of \$5,417,405.81, plus applicable taxes, plus a 15 percent contingency, budgeted from the Street Fund and Streets Initiative Fund, for the disposal of construction debris, for an initial contract period of five years, for a projected contract total of \$6,230,016.68 - Specification No. PW23-0202F.  
[Jake Green, Assistant Division Manager; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director, Public Works]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41518.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## RESOLUTIONS

13.     [RES41519](#)     A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing 12-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Alder Smart 1S, LLC, for the development of 14 multi-family market and regulated rate rental housing units, located at 3210 South 43rd Street in the Tacoma Mall Mixed-Use Center.  
[Debbie Bingham, Project Manager; Patricia Beard, Interim Director, Community and Economic Development]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41519.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards



14. [RES41520](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing 12-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Northwest Smart Homes LLC, for the development of 36 multi-family market and regulated rate rental housing units, located at 315 South 30th Street in the Downtown Regional Growth Center. [Debbie Bingham, Project Manager; Patricia Beard, Interim Director, Community and Economic Development]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41520.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

15. [RES41521](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with Sound Transit, in an amount not to exceed \$42,310,763, budgeted from the Transportation Capital Fund, for funding provided by Sound Transit for the preliminary engineering, final design, and construction of access improvements to the South Tacoma Sounder Station. [Josh Lauer, Project Manager; Ramiro A. Chavez, P.E. PgMP, Director/City Engineer, Public Works]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41521.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

16.     [RES41522](#)     A resolution amending Resolution No. 39787, authorizing an increase to the contract amount with Pierce County Recycling, Composting and Disposal, LLC, d.b.a. LRI, by \$90,000,000.00, for a cumulative total of \$237,290,930.15, budgeted from the Solid Waste Fund, for disposal of municipal solid waste, through February 2030.  
[Lewis Griffith, Solid Waste Division Manager; Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Interim Director, Environmental Services]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41522.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## **FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES**

17.     [ORD28977](#)     An ordinance approving a six-month extension of Ordinance No. 28872, which enacted interim land use regulations within the South Tacoma Groundwater Protection District (STGPD) to temporarily prohibit the establishment of new or the expansion of existing underground storage tanks, metal recycling, and auto wrecking facilities within the STGPD, as approved by the City Council, and as previously extended by Ordinance No. 28958.  
[Adam Nolan, Senior Planner; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28977.**

**The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

18.     [ORD28978](#)     An ordinance authorizing the sale of a Convention Center and Parking Revenue Refunding Bond, in the amount not to exceed \$125,000, to refund outstanding bonds, and delegating the authority to approve the final terms of the bond.  
[Michael San Soucie, City Treasurer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28978 was set over for final reading on September 10, 2024.**

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

## COMMUNITY FORUM

Community forum began at 5:41 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received eight written comments for community forum, regarding the Harrison Shooting Range, ShotSpotter, and homelessness.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Ruba, regarding ShotSpotter.
2. Joseph Ostheller, regarding ShotSpotter.
3. Stacy Oaks, regarding ShotSpotter.
4. Andrea Haug, regarding ShotSpotter and homelessness on Pacific Avenue.
5. April Smith, regarding homeless encampments.
6. Ovunayo X, regarding ShotSpotter.
7. Michele Reich, regarding electric vehicle charging stations.
8. Daren Holter, regarding the Harrison Shooting Range.
9. Kyle Jolibois, regarding Project 2025.
10. Marilyn Kimmerling, regarding environmental preservation of the Puget Sound and ShotSpotter.
11. Kathy Lawhon, regarding the public comment periods, the Democratic National Convention, censorship, and Gaza.
12. EJ Slager, regarding ShotSpotter.
13. Ann Dorn, regarding ShotSpotter.
14. Ila Ravichandran, regarding ShotSpotter.
15. Gwen Lewandoski, regarding ShotSpotter.
16. Barb Church, regarding ShotSpotter.
17. Oneida Arnold, regarding ShotSpotter.
18. Rebecca Stith, regarding ShotSpotter.
19. Sally Perkins, regarding homeless encampments.

20. Holly Rydel-Kelly, regarding ShotSpotter.
21. Phil Mocek, regarding police surveillance and ShotSpotter.
22. Gemini Gnull, regarding ShotSpotter.
23. Aife Pasquale, regarding ShotSpotter.
24. Robert Hill, regarding government relations.
25. Cordell Hampshire, regarding ShotSpotter.

Community forum ended at 6:24 p.m.

## **REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

There was no report.

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

### **Community Vitality and Safety Committee**

Council Member Rumbaugh, Chair of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, reported the August 22, 2024, meeting included an update on the 2025 Consolidated Plan and interviews for the Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities. She concluded by stating the next meeting will be held in a hybrid format on September 12, 2024, at 4:30 p.m., and will include review of the Neighborhood Council standard guidelines and corresponding code.

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Deputy Mayor Hines invited the community to the Historic Cushman Street Fair on Saturday, September 7, 2024, starting at 11:00 a.m.

Mayor Woodards announced the cancellation of the study session, business meeting, and Government Performance and Finance Committee meeting on September 3, 2024, due to the Labor Day holiday.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

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Nicole Emery, City Clerk



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**September 10, 2024**

**5:00 PM**

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## CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** 8 - Bushnell, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 1 - Daniels

Council Member Daniels arrived at 5:00 p.m. and participated virtually.

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Council Member Daniels arrived here, at 5:00 p.m.

## FLAG SALUTE

Council Member Rumbaugh stated that we gratefully honor and acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language.

The flag salute was led by Council Member Rumbaugh.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [24-0950](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, October 24, 2023.
2. [24-0951](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, October 31, 2023.
3. [24-0952](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, November 14, 2023.
4. [24-0953](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, November 28, 2023.
5. [24-0954](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, December 12, 2023.

6. [24-0957](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, August 14, 2024.
7. [24-0958](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, August 14, 2024.

## AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no modifications to the agenda.

## CONSENT AGENDA

## COMMUNICATIONS

8. [24-0978](#) A letter from the City Council regarding the Northwest Immigration and Customs Enforcement Processing Center.  
[Council Member Walker]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt the Consent Agenda.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

10. [24-0945](#) Proclaiming September 15-October 15, 2024, as Hispanic Heritage Month.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed September 15-October 15, 2024, as Hispanic Heritage Month and presented the proclamation to Anaïd Yerena, Assistant Professor, University of Washington Tacoma (UWT), on behalf of Latinx Unidos of the South Sound; Rafael Saucedo, UWT alum and Celebrando Comunidad Planning Committee Member, and Amanda Figueroa, Associate Vice Chancellor for Social Mobility, UWT and Co-Chair, Celebrando Comunidad.

11. [24-0943](#) Proclaiming September 2024 as Emergency Preparedness Month.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed September 2024 as Emergency Preparedness Month and presented the proclamation to Interim Fire Chief Sionna Stallings-Ala'ilima, Shontieka Adeogun, Chief Emergency Management Officer, and Joshua Castillo, Emergency Management Analyst, Tacoma Fire.

9. [24-0947](#) Proclaiming September 13-22, 2024, as Welcoming Week.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed September 13-22, 2024, as Welcoming Week and presented the proclamation to Aimee Khuu, Executive Director, Lisa Hamlin, Human Resources and Operations Manager, and Christian Jensen, Education Services Manager, Tacoma Community House.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment began at 5:25 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received two written comments for public comment, regarding Resolution No. 41523.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. April Smith, speaking on Item No. 24-0978 and Emergency Preparedness Month.
2. Nancy, speaking on Resolution No. 41523.
3. Kathy Lawhon, speaking on Item No. 24-0978, Emergency Preparedness Month, and Ordinance No. 28979.

Public comment ended at 5:32 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

### RESOLUTIONS

12.     [RES41523](#)     A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing Eight-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Blue Cat LLC, for the development of six multi-family market-rate rental housing units, located at 3402 South “C” Street in the Lower Pacific Mixed-Use Center.  
[Debbie Bingham, Program Manager; Pat Beard, Interim Director, Community and Economic Development]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41523.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Bushnell.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

13.     [RES41524](#)     A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing 12-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Petr Yakimenko, for the development of 12 multi-family market and regulated rate rental housing units, located at 4034 South Puget Sound Avenue in the Tacoma Mall Mixed-Use Center.  
[Debbie Bingham, Program Manager; Pat Beard, Interim Director, Community and Economic Development]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41524.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards



14. [RES41525](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an interest-free loan agreement with the Washington State Department of Transportation, in the amount of \$650,000, accepting and depositing said sum into the Tacoma Rail Fund, and further authorizing matching funds in the amount of \$1,000,000, for the acquisition of one ballast tamper railway maintenance machine.

[Kyle Kellem, Roadmaster; Dale King, Rail Superintendent]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41525.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

15. [RES41526](#) A resolution authorizing the one-time use of Council Contingency Funds, in the amount of \$5,000, to support the Historic Cushman Street Fair.  
[Deputy Mayor Hines]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt Resolution No. 41526.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## **FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES**

16. [ORD28978](#) An ordinance authorizing the sale of a Convention Center and Parking Revenue Refunding Bond, in the amount not to exceed \$125,000, to refund outstanding bonds, and delegating the authority to approve the final terms of the bond.  
[Michael San Soucie, City Treasurer; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28978.**

**The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

17.     [ORD28979](#)     An ordinance granting a non-exclusive ten-year franchise agreement to Unite Private Networks, L.L.C., to construct, operate, maintain, remove, replace, and repair fiber-optic communications facilities within public right-of-way areas.  
[Jeff Lueders, Cable and Franchise Services Division Manager;  
Amy Clancy, Director, Media and Communications Office]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28979 was set over for final reading on October 1, 2024.**

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

## COMMUNITY FORUM

Community forum began at 5:46 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received seven written comments for community forum, regarding ShotSpotter technology, homeless encampments, community forum, townhome development, City operations, the biennial budget, and Tidy-Up Tacoma.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Justin Everman, regarding a traffic study for McKinley Avenue.
2. Steven Bock, regarding marine boat storage fees.
3. Nancy, regarding police dispatch for medical emergencies.
4. April Smith, regarding a needed Critical Areas report and Multi-Family Tax Exemption development.
5. Kathy Lawhon, regarding the Climate Alliance of the South Sound event at Wapato Park, community forum, and Alberta J. Canada apartments management.
6. Gemini, regarding the Climate Alliance of the South Sound event, traffic safety, and megawearhouse construction.
7. Fred Morris, regarding Rainier Connect.
8. Daren Holter, regarding Tidy-Up Tacoma.
9. Sally Perkins, regarding homelessness encampment sweeps and police accountability.
10. Haley Hernandez, regarding South End safety.
11. Dante Hernandez, regarding South End safety.

Community forum ended at 6:07 p.m.

## REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

There was no report.

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Acting City Attorney Steve Victor provided updated information in response to the study session discussion regarding impact fees.

## COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

### Economic Development Committee

Council Member Diaz, Vice Chair of the Economic Development Committee, reported at the August 27, 2024, meeting included a review of the 2024 Business Climate Survey and a presentation from Designing Just Futures; and the meeting held earlier today included a presentation on strategies and programs to support small, minority, and women-owned contractors. She concluded by stating the next meeting will be held in a hybrid format on September 24, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., and will include an update on RAIN Incubator programs.

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Council Member Walker stated the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee is scheduled to receive a presentation on impact fees during their meeting on Wednesday, October 23, 2024, at 4:30 p.m.

Council Member Walker invited everyone to the 9/11 remembrance ceremony on Wednesday, September 11, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. at Firefighters' Memorial, located at 3301 Ruston Way.

Council Member Sadalge invited everyone to the Tacoma HONK! Fest free community music festival on Saturday, September 14, 2024, at Noon, in the McKinley Hill neighborhood.

## ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

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Nicole Emery, City Clerk





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**September 17, 2024**

**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 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott, Walker and Mayor Woodards

## FLAG SALUTE

Council Member Sadalge stated that we gratefully honor and acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language.

The flag salute was led by Council Member Sadalge.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [24-0971](#) Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, June 28, 2023.
2. [24-0972](#) Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, July 12, 2023.
3. [24-0973](#) Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, July 26, 2023.
4. [24-0974](#) Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, August 23, 2023.
5. [24-0959](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board, August 5, 2024.

## AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no modifications to the agenda.

## CONSENT AGENDA

6. [24-0975](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, December 12, 2023.
7. [24-0976](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, December 19, 2023.

## PAYMENTS

8. [24-0964](#) Date Range - 08/12/2024 to 08/25/2024  
Payroll in the amount of \$22,603,883.52; Payments in the amount of \$25,622,347.95; for a total of \$48,226,231.47.

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Hines moved to adopt the Consent Agenda.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Walker.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda.  
The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 9 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott,  
Walker and Mayor Woodards

## PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment began at 5:04 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received no written comment for public comment.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Michele Reich, speaking on Ordinance No. 28980.

Public comment ended at 5:05 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

### FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

9. [ORD28980](#) An ordinance amending Title 2 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Building and Development Code, by adding a new Chapter 2.23, entitled “Tower Crane Code”, and amending various chapters, to comply with changes to state law, effective January 1, 2025.  
[Chris Seaman, Engineering Manager; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28980 was set over for final reading next week.**

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

### REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

There was no report.

### COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee

Council Member Walker, Chair of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, reported the August 14, 2024, meeting included interviews for the Transportation Commission and a presentation regarding a timeline for the Streets Initiative 2 ballot measure; the August 28, 2024, meeting included recommendations for updating Title 2 of the Municipal Code regarding cranes and discussions on Charter amendments referred to the Committee by the City Council; and the September 11, 2024, meeting included a presentation regarding the new municipal stormwater permit and stormwater manual updates, and a proposal from the Puyallup Tribe of Indians regarding honorary roadway signs within the tribal boundary. She concluded by stating the next meeting will be held in a hybrid format on September 25, 2024, at 4:30 p.m., and will include an update regarding the Transportation Master Plan.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

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Nicole Emery, City Clerk





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**September 24, 2024**

**5:00 PM**

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## CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Hines called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** 7 - Bushnell, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott and Walker

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

Council Member Daniels arrived at 5:24 p.m.

## FLAG SALUTE

Council Member Scott stated that we gratefully honor and acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language.

The flag salute was led by Council Member Scott.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [24-0996](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Arts Commission, August 12, 2024.

## AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no modifications to the agenda.

## CONSENT AGENDA

### PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

2.     [RES41527](#)     A resolution awarding contracts to the following contractors:
- SuperTrees Inc, in the amount of \$586,926; and
  - Urban Forest Nursery Inc., in the amount of \$32,760;
- plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the Stormwater and Internal Services Funds, to secure street trees for the City's community tree incentive programs and internal tree planting projects, for a five-year term, for a total of \$619,686, plus a 20 percent contingency, for a projected contract total of \$743,623 - Specification No. ES24-0051F.  
[Lisa Kenny, Community Trees Program Coordinator; Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Interim Director, Environmental Services]

### PAYMENTS

3.     [24-1003](#)     Date Range - 08/26/2024 to 09/08/2024  
Payroll in the amount of \$23,222,615.81; Payments in the amount of \$43,130,107.88; for a total of \$66,352,723.69.

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 41527.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 41527. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott and Walker  
**Absent:** 2 - Daniels and Mayor Woodards

### PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

4.     [24-0994](#)     Proclaiming October 6-12, 2024, as Fire Prevention Week.

Deputy Mayor Hines proclaimed October 6-12, 2024, as Fire Prevention Week and presented the proclamation to Interim Fire Chief Sionna Stallings-Ala'ilima, and Kelly McCallum, Firefighter, Tacoma Fire Department.

5. [24-0993](#) Proclaiming October 2024 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Deputy Mayor Hines proclaimed October 2024 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and presented the proclamation to Cheryl Lee, Executive Director, Korean Women's Association; Lindiwe Chaza-Jangira, Chief Executive Officer, YWCA Pierce County; and Jani Hitchen, Member, Pierce County Coalition to End Domestic Violence and Pierce County Councilmember.

6. [24-0992](#) Recognizing Metropolitan Development Council's 60th Anniversary.

Deputy Mayor Hines recognized the Metropolitan Development Council's 60th Anniversary and presented the recognition to Scott Schubert, Chief Executive Officer; Timm Dowling, Director of Development; and Connie Landenburg, Board Chair, Metropolitan Development Council.

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Council Member Daniels arrived here, at 5:24 p.m.

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The City Council meeting recessed at 5:26 p.m., and reconvened at 5:31 p.m.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment began at 5:31 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received one written comment for public comment, regarding Resolution No. 41529.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Kirk Hovenkotter, speaking on Resolution No. 41529.
2. Melissa Malott, speaking on Resolution No. 41529.
3. Eric G., speaking on Resolution No. 41529.
4. Marilyn Kimmerling, speaking on Resolution No. 41529.
5. Andrea Haug, speaking on Resolution No. 41528.
6. April Smith, speaking on Resolution No. 41528.
7. Michele Reich, speaking on Resolution No. 41529.
8. Laura Svancarek, speaking on Resolution No. 41529.
9. Larry Leveen, speaking on Resolution No. 41529.
10. Gemini, speaking on Resolution No. 41529.
11. Kathy Lawhon, speaking on Resolution No. 41529.

Public comment ended at 5:51 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

### APPOINTMENTS

7. [RES41528](#) A resolution appointing and reappointing individuals to the Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities.  
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk; Chris Bacha, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41528.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott and Walker

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Woodards

### RESOLUTIONS

8. [RES41529](#) A resolution expressing opposition for the passage of Initiative 2117 on the November 5, 2024, General Election Ballot, which reads as follows:

**STATE OF WASHINGTON  
INITIATIVE MEASURE NO. 2117**

Initiative Measure No. 2117 concerns carbon tax credit trading.

This measure would prohibit state agencies from imposing any type of carbon tax credit trading, and repeal legislation establishing a cap and invest program to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. This measure would decrease funding for investments in transportation, clean air, renewable energy, conservation, and emissions-reduction.

Should this measure be enacted into law?

☐ Yes

☐ No

[Council Member Walker]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 41529.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott and Walker

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Woodards

## FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

9. [ORD28980](#) An ordinance amending Title 2 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Building and Development Code, by adding a new Chapter 2.23, entitled “Tower Crane Code”, and amending various chapters, to comply with changes to state law, effective January 1, 2025.  
[Chris Seaman, Engineering Manager; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28980. The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott and Walker

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Woodards

## PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS

10. [24-0836](#) This is the date set for a public hearing by the City Council on the Home In Tacoma zoning and standards package, as recommended by the Planning Commission.  
[Alyssa Torrez, Senior Planner; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

The public hearing began at 6:00 p.m.

The City Clerk’s Office received 130 written comments for the public hearing.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Janice Fikse.
2. Yannick R.
3. Janice Oien.
4. Sue Elkin.
5. Heidi Stephens.
6. Courtney Davis.
7. Chris Karnes.
8. Gomer Roseman.

9. Andrea Haug.
10. April Smith.
11. Esther Day.
12. Michele Reich.
13. Rebecca Splinter.
14. Sue Schaumbacher-Carson.
15. Laura Svancarek.
16. Robb Krebell.
17. Georgette Reuter.
18. Martin Bennett.
19. Cathie Urwin.
20. Amanda DeShazo.
21. Tom Eddy.
22. Prakash Pinto.
23. Melissa Malott.
24. Susan Hayami.
25. Tom Rickey.
26. Brent Haushens.

The City Council meeting recessed at 7:08 p.m., and reconvened at 7:23 p.m.

27. David Baumgardner.
28. Jane Evancho.
29. John Walters.
30. Patricia Fetterly.
31. April Azzarello.
32. Lane Zeski.
33. Lindsay Wills.
34. Denny Faker.
35. Kit Burns.
36. Tom Giske.
37. Jeremiah Thomas.
38. Kathy Forte.
39. Lowell Wyse.
40. Jodi Cook.
41. Alex Harrington.
42. Bonnie O'Leary.
43. Michael Foley.
44. Peter Bennett.
45. Brett Johnson.
46. Gemini.
47. Aife.
48. Lisa Dyer.
49. Adria Buchanen
50. Alton McDonald.

51. Douglas Sabrouin.

The public hearing was closed at 8:18 p.m.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

## **COMMUNITY FORUM**

Community forum began at 8:19 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received nine written comments for community forum, regarding utility rates and wastewater, Global Cat Day, homelessness, construction projects and illegal dumping, ShotSpotter, Down Payment Assistance Program, electric vehicles, and Tidy-Up Tacoma.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Alton McDonald, regarding police accountability.
2. Sue, regarding complaints against a Kaiser Permanente physician.
3. Kit Burns, regarding permit process.
4. Michele Reich, regarding electric vehicles.
5. Lisa Dyer, regarding comments.
6. April Smith, regarding Neighborhood and Community Services clean up and mural repairs.

Community forum ended at 8:34 p.m.

## **REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

There was no report.

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

Government Performance and Finance Committee

The report was moved to the meeting of October 1, 2024.

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**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to excuse Mayor Woodards from the meeting.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Rumbaugh.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Bushnell, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Sadalge, Scott and Walker  
**Absent:** 2 - Daniels and Mayor Woodards

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

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Nicole Emery, City Clerk