



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

August 19, 2014

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

Absent: 1 - Walker

Council Member Campbell participated telephonically.

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

FLAG SALUTE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [14-0687](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Arts Commission, June 9, 2014.
2. [14-0700](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Planning Commission, July 16, 2014.

CONSENT AGENDA

3. [14-0695](#) Minutes of the joint City Council and Public Utility Board study session of June 3, 2014.
4. [14-0703](#) Minutes of the City Council study session of June 10, 2014.

5. [14-0705](#) Minutes of the City Council study session of June 17, 2014.
6. [14-0706](#) Minutes of the City Council study session of June 24, 2014.

RESOLUTIONS

7. [RES38987](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Agreement with the Port of Tacoma to clarify the rights and responsibilities of the City and the Port relating to jointly-owned real property commonly referred to as Julia's Gulch located in Northeast Tacoma.
[Ian Munce, Special Assistant to the Director; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

8. [ORD28239](#) An ordinance vacating a portion of South 49th Street lying between South Wilkeson Street and Interstate 5 for use as fire and utility access, and additional parking for construction of a 44,500 square foot furniture store and associated parking on the adjacent property; and adopting the Hearing Examiner's Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendations.
(Wesco Management, LLC (Mor Furniture); File No. 124.1341)
[Phyllis Macleod, Hearing Examiner]
9. [ORD28240](#) An ordinance approving the reclassification of a portion of the property located at 4810 South Wilkeson Street from an "R-2" One-Family Dwelling District to a "C-2" General Community Commercial District, and provide for a modification to the "C-2" zone on the remainder of the site for construction of a 44,500-square-foot furniture store and associated parking.
(Wesco Management, LLC (Mor Furniture); File No. REZ2014-40000221995)
[Phyllis Macleod, Hearing Examiner]

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

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 38987 and First Reading of Ordinance Nos. 28239 and 28240.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Boe.

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner for Ordinance Nos. 28239 and 28240.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Boe.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda, including setting Ordinance Nos. 28239 and 28240 over for Final Reading to a date to be determined, was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment began at 5:05 p.m.

Speaking before Council:

No one came forward to address the Council.

Public comment ended at 5:06 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

10. [RES38988](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an amendment to the agreement with Business Interiors Northwest in the amount of \$400,000, plus sales tax, for a cumulative total of \$1,968,000, budgeted from various departmental funds, to increase the contract for office systems and ancillary furniture on an as-needed basis - Specification No. CT09-0355F.
[Marie Holm, Senior Buyer; Kathy Katterhagen, Manager, Procurement and Payables Division, Finance]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt Resolution No. 38988.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Lonergan.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried, with Council Member Boe recusing himself from the vote. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Ayes: 8 - Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

Recused: 1 - Boe

11. [RES38989](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an amendment to the agreement with Ceccanti, Inc., in the amount of \$650,000, including sales tax, for a cumulative total of \$13,290,776.99, budgeted from the Surface Water Fund, for unforeseen overages associated with construction delays, additional time and labor necessary to complete the required work, and additional construction requirements not anticipated during the original estimation process for the Stadium Way Arterial Improvement Project - Specification No. PW12-0083F.
[Erik Ward, Project Manager; Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt Resolution No. 38989.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Boe.

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

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

12. [RES38990](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Western Peterbilt, Inc., in the amount of \$433,495, plus sales tax, budgeted from the Solid Waste Fund, for one Compressed Natural Gas Hybrid Automated Side Loader Truck - Sole Source.
[Gary Kato, Division Manager; Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Woodards moved to adopt Resolution No. 38990.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Boe.

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

adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

13. [ORD28236](#) An ordinance granting a non-exclusive franchise to tw telecom of washington llc, to construct, operate and repair a telecommunications system throughout the city. [Jeff Lueders, Cable Communications & Franchise Services Manager; T.C. Broadnax, City Manager]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28236.

The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 9 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Mello, Thoms, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

14. [ORD28241](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 11.55 of the Municipal Code, related to the Heavy Haul Industrial Corridor, to add additional public streets in the heavy haul corridor designation to improve operations and efficiency. [Chris Larson, P.E., Division Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28241 was set over for final reading next week.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

There was no report given.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Government Performance and Finance Committee.

Council Member Lonergan stated since his last report the Government Performance and Finance Committee heard an update on the Tacoma Employees' Retirement System, held a special meeting with a presentation from Russell Investments on divestment of fossil fuels process; interviewed applicants for the Public Utility Board and the Charter Review For and Against Statement Committees; and received presentations on the City's comprehensive annual financial report, and on a proposed franchise with tw telecom. He stated at the next meeting, the Committee will review proposed

amendments to taxi and other for-hire transportation regulations, and hear a presentation on the State's Shared Work Program.

Council Member Boe shared the weekly schedule for the Tacoma Farmers markets and announced that Tacoma Farmers Markets ranked 10th on a list of 101 best farmers' markets in America for 2014 on a website called The Daily Meal. He also announced Family Golf Days at Meadow Park Golf Course in Tacoma, noting the next one is this Saturday, August 23, 2014 with free golf for kids under 18.

Council Member Thoms asked that local groups and individuals consider writing letters of support to the army, asking for reconsideration of planned cuts at Joint-Base Lewis-McChord (JBLM). He stated that the City and others have already submitted letters asking for reconsideration of the planned cuts, following a study and announced force reductions that would include reductions of about 16,000 service members from JBLM. He suggested that letters talk about the impact that the military has on the local economy, about the local investments that have been made in support of the military here, and the efforts made locally to embrace growth at the base.

Council Member Ibsen invited everyone to come out to the first responders softball game next week at Cheney Stadium. He stated on Wednesday, August 27, 2014, Tacoma Police will face off against Tacoma Fire at 6:00 p.m.

Council Member Walker reminded us that the Hilltop Street Fair is coming up this Saturday, August 23, 2014. She stated the fair will include a vintage car show, free books and other activities for kids, free health screenings, arts and crafts vendors, a bike social, and food vendors.

Council Member Mello invited everyone to help Tacoma Rail celebrate its centennial this Saturday between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. at 2601 NW Frontage Road in the Port and there will be opportunities for free rides on Tacoma Rail cars.

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

Marilyn Strickland, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk