



City of Tacoma

City Council Study Session Minutes

733 Market Street, Tacoma WA 98402

Conference Room 16

May 12, 2015

12:00 PM

Call to Order

Mayor Strickland called the study session to order at 12:05 p.m.

Present: 5 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Walker and Mayor Strickland

Absent: 4 - Lonergan, Mello, Thoms and Woodards

Council Member Lonergan arrived at 12:07 p.m.

Briefing Items

1. [15-0502](#) Historic Preservation Program Annual Update

At approximately 12:05 p.m., Reuben McKnight, Historic Preservation Officer, provided opening remarks, and introduced Lauren Hoogkamer, Historic Preservation Coordinator. Ms. Hoogkamer provided an update on the Historic Preservation Program including a progress report, activities completed over the past year, accomplishments, and next steps.

Council Member Lonergan arrived here, at 12:07 p.m.

Ms. Hoogkamer continued to review upcoming events, including Historic Preservation Month activities, and a 2015-2016 calendar of events. Mr. McKnight presented a short film entitled "The Eyes of the Totem". Mr. McKnight continued with a review of restoration projects, nominations to the historic register, project review activity, review and permitting processes, upcoming briefs and recommendations, and fostering partnerships. Discussion ensued regarding the Historic Rehabilitation Repair Loan Program, the premiere of "The Eyes of the Totem", length of the film, outreach, and "Galloping Gertie".

2. [15-0503](#) Council Consideration Request - Heritage Organization Funding

At approximately 12:35 p.m., Council Member Walker introduced a Council Consideration Request requesting \$50,000 from the Council Contingency Fund to create a program managed by the Historic Preservation Office, which would

award funding to programs and projects that educate the public on Tacoma's rich history and heritage. Discussion ensued regarding support for the Council Consideration Request, breakdown of funds, biennium reserves, budget and future funding, level of interest, grants, program utilization, impact, allotment of dollars, and economic development.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Committee Reports

Council Member Ibsen that the Joint Municipal Action Committee met last Friday for a Chief Executive Officer (CEO) update.

Deputy Mayor Boe stated Forevergreen Trails will meet this Wednesday, and Puget Sound Regional Council Transportation Policy Board will meet this Thursday.

Mayor Strickland stated there is a new CEO at Pierce Transit, and at Sound Transit long time leader Joni Earl will be retiring next year, and a national search will be conducted to fill her position.

Council Member Campbell stated today's Economic Development Committee meeting has been postponed.

Agenda Review and City Manager's Weekly Report

3. [15-0504](#) Weekly Report to the City Council, May 7, 2015

At approximately 12:49 p.m., City Manager, T.C. Broadnax, stated there is one proclamation on tonight's agenda, proclaiming May 17-23, 2015 as National Public Works Week in the City. He stated there are no changes to tonight's agenda, and one informational item, Resolution No. 39193, related to amending the Rules of Procedure of the Council in the City of Tacoma, will require two readings per rule 8.C of the Rules of Procedure of the Council. Discussion ensued regarding amendments at tonight's meeting.

Executive Session - Real Estate Negotiations

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to convene to Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(c) to discuss real estate negotiations, the session not to exceed 20 minutes.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.

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

Ayes: 6 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, Walker and Mayor Strickland

Absent: 3 - Mello, Thoms and Woodards

The Council convened to Executive Session at 12:55 p.m. City Attorney Elizabeth Pauli and Deputy City Attorney Jeff Capell were present.

The Executive Session was extended by 10 minutes at 1:15 p.m.

The Executive Session concluded and the study session reconvened at 1:25 p.m.

Adjournment

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Marilyn Strickland, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk