



# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

October 22, 2019

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:** 7 - Blocker, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 2 - Beale and Hunter

## FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Council Member Ibsen.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [19-1132](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, September 17, 2019.
2. [19-1138](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, October 1, 2019.

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**MOTION:** Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to suspend the rules to consider Item 8, Resolution No. 40452, regarding the awarding of a contract to Pivetta Brothers Construction Inc, at this time.

**SECONDED BY:** Council Member Mello.

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Blocker, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 2 - Beale and Hunter

8.     [RES40452](#)     A resolution awarding a contract to Pivetta Brothers Construction Inc, in the amount of \$6,634,124.97, plus applicable taxes, plus a 15 percent contingency, for a total of \$7,629,244.97, budgeted from various departmental funds, for the reconstruction of East 64th Street between Pacific Avenue and McKinley Avenue, including sewer and water system improvements - Specification No. PW19-0213F.  
[Chris Storey, Project Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to remove Resolution No. 40452 from the agenda at the request of staff.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Blocker, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 2 - Beale and Hunter

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

3.     [19-1135](#)     Minutes of the City Council meeting, October 1, 2019.
4.     [19-1145](#)     Minutes of the City Council meeting, October 8, 2019.
5.     [19-1123](#)     Minutes of the Committee of the Whole special meeting, October 1, 2019.
6.     [19-1136](#)     Minutes of the Committee of the Whole special meeting, October 8, 2019.

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

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Blocker, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 2 - Beale and Hunter

## PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

7. [19-1150](#) Proclaiming Saturday, October 26, 2019 as Litter Pick Up Day.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed Saturday, October 26, 2019 as Litter Pick Up Day and presented the proclamation to Ms. Cheri Solien, Adopt-A-Spot volunteer.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:08 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Sharyn Hinchcliffe, Pink Pistols and We the Female, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
2. Steve Pecsí, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
3. Zachary Duncan, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
4. Daniel Harrison, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
5. Jane Milhans, Tacoma Rifle and Revolver Club, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
6. Curtis Bingham, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
7. James Bush, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
8. Ronnie Bush, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
9. Jordan Waits, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
10. John Brewer, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
11. Leanne Kennedy, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
12. Bea Christophersen, 3322 North Gove Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
13. Carl Anderson, Tacoma Tenants Organizing Committee, speaking on Resolution Nos. 40453 and 40454.
14. Bruce Smith, Surplus Ammo & Arms, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
15. Davin Jaggard, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
16. Miriam Barnett, YWCA, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
17. Ryan Foster, Surplus Ammo & Arms, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
18. Dick Lovingood, 5001 South Cushman Avenue, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
19. Alex Roggenkamp, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
20. Rick Rosenblatt, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
21. Max Mousseau, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
22. Matthew Theoe, resident, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
23. Michael Findlay, National Shooting Sports Foundation, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
24. Clinton Stuart, 6229 South Oakes Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.

25. Lexi Brewer, 1304 6th Avenue, speaking on Ordinance No. 28623.
26. Enrique Leon, 3411 North 29th Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
27. Sean Arent, 1680 South 45th Street, speaking on Resolution Nos. 40453 and 40454.
28. Chris Spieth, 856 143rd Street South, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
29. Miles De Mille, Bull's Eye Indoor Range, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
30. Robert Kennor, 2019 Southwest 347th Place, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
31. Sean Watson, Sportco, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
32. Kit Burns, 1010 6th Avenue, speaking on Ordinance No. 28620.
33. George Kelley Jr., 1601 South Tacoma Avenue, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
34. Chris Anderson, 7525 South Hegra Road, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
35. Daelin Cavanaugh, 3114 North 19th street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
36. Curtis Lakin, 4627 South "M" Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
37. Illyana Zeski, 10035 Puget Sound Avenue, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
38. Theresa Evans, 711 East 35th Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.
39. Jonathan Pierre, 2028 East 34th Street, speaking on Ordinance No. 28624.

Public Comment ended at 6:23 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

### PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

8. [RES40452](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Pivetta Brothers Construction Inc, in the amount of \$6,634,124.97, plus applicable taxes, plus a 15 percent contingency, for a total of \$7,629,244.97, budgeted from various departmental funds, for the reconstruction of East 64th Street between Pacific Avenue and McKinley Avenue, including sewer and water system improvements - Specification No. PW19-0213F.  
[Chris Storey, Project Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

Resolution No. 40452 was removed from the agenda earlier in the meeting.

## RESOLUTIONS

9.     [RES40453](#)     A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing Eight-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Primero Courtyards LLC, for the development of 20 multi-family market-rate rental housing units, located at 3715 McKinley Avenue, in the McKinley Mixed-Use Center.  
[Debbie Bingham, Project Manager; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40453.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Blocker, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 2 - Beale and Hunter

10.    [RES40454](#)     A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing Eight-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Rush Development, Inc., for the development of 95 multi-family market-rate rental housing units, located at 2709 North Adams Street, in the Proctor Mixed-Use Center.  
[Debbie Bingham, Project Manager; Jeff Robinson, Director, Community and Economic Development]

**MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 40454.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.**

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

**Ayes:** 5 - Blocker, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 2 - Beale and Hunter

**Abstain:** 2 - Ibsen and McCarthy

11. [RES40455](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Tacoma Power Unit, regarding employees assigned to work the Trouble Crew.  
[Dylan Carlson, Senior Labor Relations Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40455.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Blocker, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 2 - Beale and Hunter

#### FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

12. [ORD28620](#) An ordinance authorizing the extension of and an increase to the Electric System Subordinate Revenue Note, Series 2015A, in an amount not to exceed \$150,000,000; authorizing an amendment to the Note Purchase Agreement to provide funds to finance or refinance costs of capital improvements to the Electric System; and delegating the authority to approve the final terms of the amendment.  
[Bill Berry, Rates, Planning, and Analysis Manager; Chris Robinson, Power Superintendent]

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28620. The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 7 - Blocker, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 2 - Beale and Hunter

13. [ORD28621](#) An ordinance approving terms relating to debt service reserve accounts established for certain of the City's senior lien electric system revenue bonds; and authorizing the extension of qualified insurance to satisfy the debt service reserve account requirement for such bonds.  
[Bill Berry, Rates, Planning, and Analysis Manager; Chris Robinson, Power Superintendent]

**ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28621. The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 7 - Blocker, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 2 - Beale and Hunter

## FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

14. [ORD28622](#) 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 Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Tacoma Power Unit.  
[Kari L. Louie, Senior Compensation and Benefits Manager; Gary Buchanan, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28622 was set over for final reading next week.**

15. [ORD28623](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 12.09 of the Municipal Code, relating to Solid Waste, Recycling, and Hazardous Waste, to add a surcharge to offset increased costs of disposal of recyclable materials and adding a surcharge to offset increased costs of recycling education programming.  
[Lewis Griffith, P.E., Solid Waste Management Division Manager; Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28623 was set over for final reading next week.**

16. [ORD28624](#) An ordinance amending Subtitle 6A of the Municipal Code, relating to Tax Code, by adding a new Chapter 6A.120, entitled "Firearms and Ammunition Tax", to impose a tax on firearms and ammunition to consist of \$25.00 per firearm sold at retail, \$0.02 per round of ammunition .22 caliber or less, and \$0.05 per round of other ammunition sold at retail to raise revenue for funding programs that promote public safety, prevent gun violence, and help offset the impacts and costs of gun violence in the City.  
[Danielle Larson, Tax and License Manager; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28624 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 Mello, Chair of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, reported at the October 2, 2019 meeting, the Committee received presentations on the Transportation Commission’s 2020 work plan and 2019 accomplishments and an update on the sidewalk program; and at the October 16, 2019 meeting, the Committee received a presentation regarding the progress on the Urban Forest Management Plan. He concluded by stating the next meeting will be on November 6, 2019, at 4:30 p.m. in Conference Room 248 of the Tacoma Municipal Building, and will include interviews for the Sustainable Tacoma Commission and presentations on electric vehicles and electric vehicle adaption.

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**MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to excuse Council Members Beale and Hunter from the meeting.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 7 - Blocker, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

**Absent:** 2 - Beale and Hunter

**ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk