



City of Tacoma

City Council Study Session Minutes

733 Market Street, Tacoma WA 98402

Conference Room 16

September 17, 2019

12:00 PM

Call to Order

Council Member Thoms called the study session to order at 12:06 p.m.

MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to appoint Council Member Thoms as the Presiding Officer for the City Council study session, until the return of the Mayor or Deputy Mayor.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Ushka.

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

Ayes: 5 - Blocker, Hunter, Mello, Thoms and Ushka

Absent: 4 - Beale, Ibsen, McCarthy and Mayor Woodards

Briefing Items

1. [19-1008](#) Level of Service Case Studies

At approximately 12:07 p.m., Nick Anderson, Management Analyst II, Finance, presented day four of the Capital Investment Strategy, including the study session work plan, agenda, best practices, and prioritization factors.

Justin Davis, Division Manager, Public Works Facilities Management, presented the repair and replacement program, level of service considerations, examples of repair and replacement for the Fire Communications center, the Beacon Center renovation, and the new Tideflats Fire Station.

Tory Green, Chief, Tacoma Fire Department (TFD), presented the standard of cover, including the definition of standard of cover, a key performance indicator example, and next steps for the TFD.

Kate Larsen, Director, Tacoma Public Library, presented the library feasibility study, including a background, issues, the Request for Proposal

(RFP) Advisory Team, incorporating equity and sustainability in the RFP, an outline of the study, and next steps.

Katie Johnston, Budget Officer, Finance, presented the capital investment strategy wrap up, and next steps.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding relocation of the TFD, the age and condition of Tacoma's fire stations, and providing library services for disadvantaged communities.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Committee Reports

There were no Committee Reports given.

Agenda Review and City Manager's Weekly Report

2. [19-1009](#) Weekly Report to the City Council, September 12, 2019

City Manager Elizabeth Pauli stated there are four ceremonials on tonight's meeting agenda, including recognizing the longest serving Hispanic/Latinx employees supporting the City of Tacoma, proclaiming September 17, 2019 as Latino Small Business Day, proclaiming September 2019 as Hispanic Heritage Month, and proclaiming a ceasefire in the City of Tacoma. She further stated there is one anticipated change to the agenda, a proposed amendment to Ordinance No. 28608, to remove the Hawthorne Hill zoning and land use designation and maintain the current zoning in place.

Adjournment

On proper motion, the study session was adjourned at 12:53 p.m.



Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor



Doris Sorum, City Clerk