



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

July 16, 2019

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Beale, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 2 - Blocker and Thoms

Council Member Blocker arrived at 5:01 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Council Member Beale.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [19-0723](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, June 25, 2019.

Council Member Blocker arrived here, at 5:01 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

2. [19-0712](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, April 30, 2019.
3. [19-0724](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, May 7, 2019.
4. [19-0726](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, April 23, 2019.
5. [19-0722](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, April 30, 2019.
6. [19-0727](#) Minutes of the City Council meeting, May 7, 2019.

7. [19-0725](#) Minutes of the Committee of the Whole special meeting, April 16, 2019.

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

SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.

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

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Thoms

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:02 p.m.

No one came forward to address the City Council.

Public Comment ended at 5:02 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

8. [RES40374](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Puget Paving & Construction Inc., in the amount of \$1,824,000, plus applicable taxes, plus a 20 percent contingency, for a total of \$2,188,800, budgeted from the Streets Initiative and Surface Water Funds, for the restoration of approximately 18 blocks of residential streets and construction of ADA curb ramps in the North End - Specification No. PW19-0065F.
[Darius Thompson, Project Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40374.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Thoms

9. [RES40375](#) A resolution authorizing an increase to the contract with Serpanok Construction Inc., in the amount of \$50,000, plus applicable taxes, for a total of \$228,076, budgeted from the Transportation Capital Fund, for the testing, excavation, removal, and disposal of hazardous waste found on the Ruston Way shoreline - Specification No. PW18-0408F.
[Darius Thompson, Project Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40375.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Thoms

RESOLUTIONS

- 10. [RES40376](#) A resolution expressing support for the implementation of safety recommendations approved by the National Transportation Safety Board on May 21, 2019, as a result of the investigation of the Amtrak passenger train 501 derailment near DuPont; and encouraging the resumption of service and use of the new Amtrak Cascades Station in Tacoma’s Freighthouse Square as soon as enactment of safety recommendations allows.

[Mayor Woodards]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40376.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Thoms

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

- 11. [ORD28597](#) 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, Human Resources Unit and Water Division Unit.

[Kari L. Louie, Senior Compensation and Benefits Manager; Gary Buchanan, Director, Human Resources]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved as a substitute, Substitute Ordinance No. 28597.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Thoms

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken on Substitute Ordinance No. 28597.

The Substitute Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Thoms

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

- 12. [ORD28598](#) An ordinance amending Chapters 11.05 and 11.55 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Model Traffic Ordinance and the Heavy Haul Industrial Corridor, to rename Eells Street to “Fishing Wars Memorial Crossing.”
[Josh Diekmann, P.E., Assistant Division Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28598 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

Economic Development Committee (continued from the July 9, 2019 meeting)

Deputy Mayor McCarthy, Vice Chair, Economic Development Committee, reported at the June 25, 2019 meeting, the Committee interviewed applicants for the City Events and Recognitions Committee and received a presentation on commercial office space development incentives. He stated the July 9, 2019 meeting was cancelled and a special meeting was held on July 10, 2019 and included a discussion on Council policy priorities for the Committee. He concluded by reporting the next meeting will be on July 23, 2019 and will include a presentation on local revitalization financing and a continued discussion on Council policy priorities.

Government Performance and Finance Committee

There was no report.

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Mayor Woodards shared a statement regarding recent events at the Northwest Detention Center.

Council Member Hunter stated on July 20, 2019 a community clean up event for the Mann, Spring Hill, and Stewart neighborhoods will take place at Mann Elementary School, located at 1002 South 52nd Street, at 10:00 a.m.

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MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to excuse Council Member Thoms from the meeting.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Absent: 1 - Thoms

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:14 p.m.

Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk