



# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

**July 23, 2019**

**5:00 PM**

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## CALL TO ORDER

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

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

## FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Council Member Blocker.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

In honor of former Mayor Karen Vialle, who played a major role in the Foss Waterway cleanup, the Puyallup Tribe of Indians land claims settlement, the Union Station renovation, and the development of the University of Washington Tacoma campus.

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [19-0735](#) Minutes of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, June 27, 2019.
2. [19-0749](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, July 2, 2019.
3. [19-0728](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, June 12, 2019.
4. [19-0729](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, June 12, 2019.

## CONSENT AGENDA

5. [19-0747](#) Minutes of the joint City Council and Public Utility Board study session, May 14, 2019.
6. [19-0748](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, May 21, 2019.

7. [19-0743](#) Minutes of the Committee of the Whole special meeting, May 21, 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:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

## **PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

8. [19-0752](#) Proclaiming Saturday, July 27, 2019 as Pierce County Trails Day.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed Saturday, July 27, 2019 as Pierce County Trails Day and presented the proclamation to Mr. Jackson Skinner, ForeverGreen Trails Board Member.

9. [19-0753](#) Proclaiming July 27-28, 2019 as Ethnic Fest Days.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed July 27-28, 2019 as Ethnic Fest Days and presented the proclamation to Ms. Andrea Smith, Metro Parks Board Commissioner.

10. [19-0755](#) Recognizing Ms. Molly Nichols.

Mayor Woodards presented Ms. Molly Nichols a recognition for her service to the community on the Tacoma Tenants Organizing Committee.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public Comment began at 5:21 p.m.

No one came forward to address the City Council.

Public Comment ended at 5:21 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

### APPOINTMENTS

11.     [RES40377](#)     A resolution reassigning Carolyn Edmonds to the Council District No. 2 position on the Planning Commission.  
                          [Doris Sorum, City Clerk; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40377.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

### PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

12.     [RES40378](#)     A resolution awarding a contract to Puget Paving & Construction Inc., in the amount of \$697,550, plus applicable taxes, plus a 20 percent contingency, for a total of \$837,060, budgeted from various departmental funds, for grind and overlay, associated curb ramps, striping, signal, and other improvements along South 56th Street between Pacific Avenue and South Yakima Avenue - Specification No. PW19-0138F.  
                          [Jon Kulju, Project Manager; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40378.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

13. [RES40379](#) A resolution authorizing an increase to the contract with Winshuttle, LLC, in the amount of \$89,250.76, plus applicable taxes, for a total of \$279,250.76, budgeted from various departmental funds, for on-going Citywide software maintenance - Direct Negotiation.  
[Brian Tetreault, Management Analyst II; Daniel Key, Director, Information Technology]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40379, including waiving formal bidding procedures.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

## RESOLUTIONS

14. [RES40380](#) A resolution directing the City Manager to review the City's "Policy on Place Names and Name Changes" and provide recommendations for updates to the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee no later than Fall 2019.  
[Council Member Mello]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution No. 40380.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.**

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

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

## FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

15. [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: Roll call vote was taken on Ordinance No. 28598.**

**The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

## REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

There was no report.

## COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Government Performance and Finance Committee (continued from the July 16, 2019 meeting)

Council Member Ibsen, Chair of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, reported the June 18, 2019 meeting included an exit conference from Moss Adams, an entrance conference with the State Auditor’s Office, and a presentation on the WorkForce Central agreement amendment; the July 2, 2019 meeting included presentations on the participatory budgeting pilot and Forterra’s regional program implementation; and the July 16, 2019 meeting included presentations on proposed rules for walk-on amendments and an update on Tacoma2025 metrics. He further stated the next meeting will be on August 6, 2019 and will include presentations on Citywide cultural improvements and a fleet vehicle ordinance.

Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee

Council Member Mello, Chair of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, reported at the June 26, 2019 meeting, the Committee discussed a proposed clean fuels policy with the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency; the July 3, 2019 meeting was cancelled; and the July 17, 2019 meeting included an update from the Puget Sound Regional Council on the proposed passenger-only ferry between Seattle and Tacoma, updates to the model traffic ordinance, and amending the policy on

sale of City-owned real property for affordable housing. He concluded by stating the next meeting will be on August 7, 2019 and will include interviews for the Board of Building Appeals and the Transportation Commission, and a discussion on the City's naming policy.

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Council Member Blocker stated there will be a neighborhood cleanup event for the Hilltop area on Saturday, July 27, 2019, at Evergreen State College, located at 1210 6th Avenue, at 10:00 a.m.

Council Member Beale stated a National Night Out event is scheduled on Tuesday, August 6, 2019 at Charlotte's Blueberry Park, located at 7402 East "D" Street, at 5:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

  
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Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

  
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Doris Sorum, City Clerk