



# City of Tacoma

## City Council Agenda

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**September 15, 2020**

**5:00 PM**

### CALL TO ORDER

**Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.**

### ROLL CALL

**9 present.**

**All Council Members participated virtually.**

### FLAG SALUTE

**The flag salute was led by Deputy Mayor Blocker.**

### MOMENT OF SILENCE

**In honor of those who have lost their lives to or have been impacted by COVID-19 and systemic racism as well as Ms. Sarah Leyrer.**

### ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- 1. 20-0565** Minutes of the Economic Development Committee special meeting, July 21, 2020.
- 2. 20-0566** Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, August 25, 2020.
- 3. 20-0567** Minutes of the Economic Development Committee special meeting, August 27, 2020.
- 4. 20-0579** Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, February 5, 2020.
- 5. 20-0580** Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, February 19, 2020.

6. **20-0581** Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, March 4, 2020.
7. **20-0560** Minutes of the Mayor's Youth Commission of Tacoma, July 22, 2020.
8. **20-0561** Minutes of the Mayor's Youth Commission of Tacoma, August 12, 2020.
9. **20-0562** Minutes of the Mayor's Youth Commission of Tacoma, August 15, 2020.
10. **20-0587** Minutes of the Public Utility Board special meeting, August 26, 2020.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

11. **20-0583** Minutes of the City Council study session, July 7, 2020.
12. **20-0586** Minutes of the City Council study session, July 14, 2020.
13. **20-0563** Minutes of the City Council meeting, July 28, 2020.
14. **20-0564** Minutes of the City Council meeting, August 4, 2020.
15. **20-0578** Minutes of the City Council meeting, August 11, 2020.
16. **20-0588** Minutes of the City Council meeting, August 18, 2020.
17. **20-0589** Minutes of the City Council meeting, August 25, 2020.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

18. **RES40647** A resolution setting Tuesday, October 6, 2020, upon completion of Regular Agenda Items, no earlier than 5:15 p.m., as the date for a public hearing by the City Council for the potential reauthorization, extension, and modification of the Residential Infill Pilot Program, as codified in the Tacoma Municipal Code, Section 13.05.060.

**Deputy Mayor Blocker moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including Resolution No. 40647. Seconded by Council Member Thoms. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes: 9 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstaining: 0**

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

19. **20-0584** Proclaiming September 12-20, 2020, as Welcoming Week.

**Mayor Woodards proclaimed September 12-20, 2020, as Welcoming Week and presented the proclamation to Mr. Jefferson Mok and Ms. Rime Oujdi.**

20. 20-0585 Proclaiming September 15 through October 15, 2020, as Hispanic Heritage Month.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed September 15 through October 15, 2020, as Hispanic Heritage Month and presented the proclamation to Mr. Efrain Lopez.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public Comment began at 5:34 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received 5 written comments for Public Comment on Item Nos. 19 and 20, regarding Welcoming Week and Hispanic Heritage Month proclamations, and Resolution No. 40652, regarding an amendment to Rule 9 of the City Council Rules of Procedure.

Public Comment ended at 5:37 p.m.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **APPOINTMENTS**

21. RES40648 A resolution appointing individuals to the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board.

Deputy Mayor Blocker moved to adopt Resolution No. 40648. Seconded by Council Member Thoms. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstaining: 0

### **RESOLUTIONS**

22. RES40649 A resolution designating the Wells R. Sears House, located at 3334 North Gove Street, as a City Landmark and placing said property on the Tacoma Register of Historic Places.

Deputy Mayor Blocker moved to adopt Resolution No. 40649. Seconded by Council Member Thoms. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstaining: 0

23. **RES40650** A resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement with the Professional and Technical Employees Union, Local 17, regarding voluntary recognition of a classification to be titled Engineering Instrumentation Technician, Senior.

**Deputy Mayor Blocker moved to adopt Resolution No. 40650. Seconded by Council Member Thoms. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.**

**Ayes: 9 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstaining: 0**

24. **RES40651** A resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement with the City of Tacoma Washington, City and Pierce County Employees Local Number 120 of the Washington State Council of County and City Employees, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, regarding the pay range for the classification of Senior Buyer, effective January 1, 2020.

**Deputy Mayor Blocker moved to adopt Resolution No. 40651. Seconded by Council Member Thoms. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.**

**Ayes: 9 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstaining: 0**

25. **RES40652** This is the first reading of a resolution amending Rule 9 of the *Rules of Procedure of the Council of the City of Tacoma* to increase opportunities for public feedback to the Tacoma City Council during the COVID-19 declaration of emergency and for the duration in which the Tacoma City Council holds virtual business meetings.

**Deputy Mayor Blocker moved to adopt Resolution No. 40652. Seconded by Council Member Thoms.**

**Council Member Thoms moved to amend Resolution No. 40652, on page 3, lines 20 and 24, to strike “90 seconds” and insert “five minutes”. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Blocker. Voice vote was taken and carried to amend Resolution No. 40652. The motion was declared adopted.**

**Ayes: 9 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstaining: 0**

**Deputy Mayor Blocker moved to suspend Rule 8.D of the *Rules of Procedure of the Council of the City of Tacoma* to allow for one reading instead of two readings of this Resolution, as amended. Seconded by Council Member Thoms. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.**

**Ayes: 9 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstaining: 0**

**Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution, as amended, was declared adopted.**

**Ayes: 9 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstaining: 0**

## **FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES**

26. **ORD28690** (First and Final Reading) An ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of a Sewer Revenue Bond, in an amount not to exceed \$21 million, to evidence the City's obligations under a Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act loan with the United States Environmental Protection Agency, for costs associated with repairs and improvements to the electrical distribution system at the Central Treatment Plant; approving and authorizing execution of the loan agreement and providing for the disposition of the proceeds of the loan, the delivery of the bond to the United States Environmental Protection Agency, and the payment of costs of issuance of the bond; delegating the authority to approve the final terms of the bond and declaring an emergency, making necessary the passage of this ordinance, and becoming effective immediately.

**Roll call vote was taken and carried. The Ordinance was declared passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes: 9 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstaining: 0**

## **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

27. **ORD28691** 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 Professional and Technical Employees Union, Local 17, and the City of Tacoma Washington, City and Pierce County Employees Local Number 120 of the Washington State Council of County and City Employees, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, and changes in classification to reflect the organizational structure.

**Ordinance No. 28691 was set over for final reading next week.**

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**There was no unfinished business.**

## **COMMUNITY FORUM**

**Community Forum began at 6:08 p.m.**

**The City Clerk's Office received 9 written comments for Community Forum, regarding City control of a railroad crossing, Tideflats Interim Regulations, the Tacoma Police Department, the City budget, education equity, the Northwest ICE Processing Center, large gatherings and events in public parks, and Tacoma Public Utilities' Advanced Metering Infrastructure Project.**

**34 individuals addressed the City Council.**

**Community Forum ended at 7:29 p.m.**

## **REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

**City Manager Elizabeth Pauli gave a report.**

## **COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee

**Council Member McCarthy, Chair of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, gave a report.**

**Comments were made by Mayor Woodards and various Council Members.**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m.**