



City of Tacoma

City Council Agenda

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402, Council Chambers

Dial: 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 848 3423 3126

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November 15, 2022

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Blocker called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

MOTION: Walker

SECOND: Hines

ACTION: To appoint Council Member Blocker to serve as presiding officer of the Council while the Mayor attends the meeting virtually.

Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Ushka) Abstaining: 0

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: 8

ABSENT: 1 (Ushka)

Mayor Woodards participated virtually.

FLAG SALUTE

Council Member Diaz stated that we gratefully honor and acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language.

The flag salute was led by Council Member Diaz.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

There were no items filed in the City Clerk's Office.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **22-1244** Minutes of the City Council study session, July 12, 2022.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

2. **ORD28840** An ordinance vacating a portion of Commerce Street, lying north of the Sound Transit right-of-way near South Tacoma Way, and south of South 25th Street, for a private walkway as part of a residential housing development.
(Cornus House LLC; File No. 124.1430)
3. **ORD28841** An ordinance reclassifying an approximately seven-acre parcel, located at 4901 South 25th Street, from an R2-STGPD to a C2-STGPD, to allow for the development of 133 senior affordable housing units.
(DPS LLC; File No. LU22-0155)

MOTION: Walker

SECOND: Hines

ACTION: To adopt the Consent Agenda.

MOTION: Walker

SECOND: Hines

ACTION: To accept the Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner for Ordinance Nos. 28840 and 28841.

Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Ushka) Abstaining: 0 Items Removed: 0

ACTION: The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.

Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Ushka) Abstaining: 0 Items Removed: 0

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:06 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received 30 written comments for Public Comment on Ordinance No. 28856, regarding the Biennial Operating Budget; and Ordinance No. 28857, regarding the Capital Facilities Program and Capital Budget.

17 individuals addressed the City Council.

Public Comment ended at 5:34 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS

4. **RES41063** A resolution approving changes to the Tacoma Power Electric Rate and Financial Policy.

MOTION: Walker
SECOND: Hines
ACTION: Adopted.

Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Ushka) Abstaining: 0

5. **RES41064** A resolution approving changes to the Water Rate and Financial Policy.

MOTION: Walker
SECOND: Hines
ACTION: Adopted.

Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Ushka) Abstaining: 0

6. **RES41065** A resolution approving the General Government Fee Schedule for special and miscellaneous services, to include charges to the public for various departmental services.

MOTION: Walker
SECOND: Hines
ACTION: Adopted.

Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Ushka) Abstaining: 0

25. **22-1194** This is the date set for the second public hearing by the City Council on the proposed 2023-2024 Biennial Operating Budget.

The public hearing began at 5:45 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received 30 written comments for the public hearing.

29 individuals addressed the City Council.

The public hearing ended at 6:44 p.m.

26. **22-1195** This is the date set for the second public hearing by the City Council on the proposed 2023-2024 Capital Budget and 2023-2028 Capital Facilities Program.

The public hearing began at 6:44 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received one written comment for the public hearing.

Three individuals addressed the City Council.

The public hearing ended at 6:50 p.m.

The City Council meeting recessed at 6:50 p.m.

The City Council meeting reconvened at 7:03 p.m.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

7. **ORD28842** An ordinance authorizing Tacoma Rail to update the Rail Rate Policy to include a Volume Investment Fund.

Set over for final reading next week.

8. **ORD28843** An ordinance authorizing the reissuance of Tacoma Municipal Belt Line (TMBL) 8807 series freight switching tariff and TMBL 6004 series demurrage tariffs, effective January 1, 2023, and a switching tariff supplement, effective January 1, 2024.

Set over for final reading next week.

9. **ORD28844** An ordinance amending Chapter 12.06 of the Municipal Code, relating to Electric Energy - Regulations and Rates, to add a new Section 12.06.176, entitled "Prepaid small general service - Schedule PB", to allow for payment of electric service in advance of usage, effective April 1, 2023.

Set over for final reading next week.

10. **ORD28845** An ordinance amending Chapter 12.06 of the Municipal Code, relating to Electric Energy - Regulations and Rates, to add a new Section 12.06.374, entitled “Electric Vehicle Public Charging Provided by Tacoma Power - Schedule EVPC”, to replace the existing fee structure of \$2 per five hours to \$0.21 per kilowatt hour, effective January 1, 2023.

Set over for final reading next week.

11. **ORD28846** An ordinance amending various sections of Chapters 12.01 and 12.06A of the Municipal Code, relating to Utility Charges and Electrical Code, to update language regarding fees and permitting requirements, effective April 1, 2023.

Set over for final reading next week.

12. **ORD28847** An ordinance amending Chapter 12.06 of the Municipal Code, relating to Electric Energy - Regulations and Rates, effective April 1, 2023, and April 1, 2024; amending Section 12.06.225, to remove an out-of-date contract requirement, effective April 1, 2023; and amending Section 12.06.300, to adjust the cost for additional poles for private off-street lighting, effective April 1, 2023.

Set over for final reading next week.

13. **ORD28848** An ordinance amending Chapter 12.10 of the Municipal Code, relating to Water - Regulations and Rates, for two rate system average adjustments, effective January 1, 2023, and January 1, 2024.

Set over for final reading next week.

14. **ORD28849** An ordinance amending Chapter 12.09 of the Municipal Code, relating to Solid Waste, Recycling, and Hazardous Waste, to adjust the 2023 and 2024 rates and charges, effective January 1, 2023, and January 1, 2024.

Set over for final reading next week.

15. **ORD28850** An ordinance amending the Official Schedule of Stormwater Utility and Wastewater Utility Service Rates and Fees, effective January 1, 2023, and January 1, 2024.

Set over for final reading next week.

16. **ORD28851** An ordinance amending Subtitle 6A of the Municipal Code, relating to the Tax Code, by adding a new Chapter 6A.130, entitled “Local Solid Waste Customer Excise Tax”, to impose a local solid waste excise tax; and amending Section 6A.10.020, to update tax definitions, effective April 1, 2023.

Set over for final reading next week.

17. **ORD28852** An ordinance authorizing an increase in the Ad Valorem general property tax revenue collection in terms of both dollars and percentage for the general property tax levy in 2023.

Set over for final reading next week.

18. **ORD28853** An ordinance fixing the amount of the Ad Valorem tax levies necessary to identify the amount of the estimated revenues from property tax levies to match estimated expenditures for debt service and other funding requirements.

Set over for final reading next week.

19. **ORD28854** An ordinance authorizing an increase for the Emergency Medical Services property tax levy in terms of both dollars and percentage.

Set over for final reading next week.

20. **ORD28855** An ordinance fixing the amount of the Emergency Medical Services levy necessary to identify the amount of the estimated revenues from the property tax levy to match estimated expenditures for debt service and other funding requirements.

Set over for final reading next week.

21. **ORD28856** An ordinance adopting the 2023-2024 Biennial Operating Budget.

MOTION: Walker

SECOND: Hines

ACTION: To move as a substitute, Substitute Ordinance No. 28856 Exhibit A.

Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Ushka) Abstaining: 0

Substitute Ordinance No. 28856 was set over for final reading next week.

22. **ORD28857** An ordinance adopting the 2023-2028 Capital Facilities Program of the Comprehensive Plan, and adopting the 2023-2024 Capital Budget.

Set over for final reading next week.

23. **ORD28858** An ordinance amending Title 8 of the Municipal Code, relating to Public Safety, by adding a new Chapter 8.180, entitled “Interference with Health Care Facilities or Providers”, to ensure public health and safety for persons seeking health care services.

Set over for final reading next week.

24. **ORD28859** An ordinance amending various chapters in Title 1, relating to Administration and Personnel; Title 6, relating to the Tax and License Code; and Title 16, relating to Cable Systems, Open Video Systems, Telecommunications Systems and Private Communications Systems of the Municipal Code, for protection against discrimination based on an individual’s actual, potential, perceived, or alleged pregnancy outcomes.

Set over for final reading next week.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS

(Public hearings and appeals will begin upon completion of the Regular Agenda Items, no earlier than 5:15 p.m.)

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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 Walker, Chair of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, gave a report.

MOTION: Walker

SECOND: Hines

ACTION: To excuse Deputy Mayor Ushka from the meeting.

Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Ushka) Abstaining: 0

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.