



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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May 9, 2023

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: 7

ABSENT: 2 (Diaz, Ushka)

Council Member Diaz arrived at 5:02 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE

Deputy Mayor Walker 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 Deputy Mayor Walker.

Council Member Diaz arrived here, at 5:02 p.m.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. **23-0468** Minutes of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, January 12, 2023.
2. **23-0457** Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, October 26, 2022.
3. **23-0458** Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, December 14, 2022.
4. **23-0459** Minutes of the Planning Commission, October 19, 2022.

5. **23-0460** Minutes of the Planning Commission, November 2, 2022.
6. **23-0464** Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, April 12, 2023.
7. **23-0465** Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, April 12, 2023.
8. **23-0471** Minutes of the Tacoma Creates Advisory Board, April 3, 2023.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

Mayor Woodards stated a motion will be considered to amend Exhibit “A” of Resolution No. 41192, to remove a nominee from the Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs.

CONSENT AGENDA

9. **23-0481** Minutes of the City Council study session, November 8, 2022.
10. **23-0483** Minutes of the joint City Council and Public Utility Board study session, November 15, 2022.
11. **23-0484** Minutes of the City Council study session, November 22, 2022.
12. **23-0482** Minutes of the City Council meeting, January 31, 2023.
13. **23-0485** Minutes of the City Council meeting, February 7, 2023.

PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

14. **RES41191** A resolution awarding a contract to Rognlin’s, Inc., in the amount of \$1,436,500, plus applicable taxes, plus a 20 percent contingency, budgeted from the Wastewater Fund, for construction of the Central Treatment Plant Secondary Clarifier No. 5 Restoration Project, for a projected contract total of \$1,723,800 - Specification No. ES23-0026F.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

15. **ORD28880** An ordinance vacating a portion of undeveloped South 35th Street, west of South “G” Street, to facilitate expansion of public school sports fields and parking.
(Tacoma School District No. 10; File No. 124.1437)

PAYMENTS

16. **23-0466** Date Range - 04/10/2023 to 04/23/2023
Payroll in the amount of \$20,167,288.06; Payments in the amount of \$21,152,430.49; for a total of \$41,319,718.55.

MOTION: Walker
SECOND: Blocker
ACTION: To adopt the Consent Agenda.

MOTION: Walker
SECOND: Blocker
ACTION: To accept the Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner for Ordinance No. 28880.

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

17. **23-0477** Proclaiming May 12-13, 2023, as Tacoma Garden Club Days.
18. **23-0478** Proclaiming May 14-20, 2023, as National Police Week.
19. **23-0479** Proclaiming May 2023 as Hunger Awareness Month.
20. **23-0480** Compassionate Tacoma Recognition: The Organizers and Officers Leading the Gun Buy Back Program.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:31 p.m.

The City Clerk's Office received four written comments for Public Comment on 23-0469, regarding the reappointment of Elizabeth Pauli to the position of City Manager.

Eight individuals addressed the City Council.

Public Comment ended at 5:48 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

21. **23-0469** A motion may be considered regarding the reappointment of Elizabeth Pauli to the position of City Manager, approving the annual performance review, and executing a new employment agreement.

MOTION: Walker
SECOND: Blocker
ACTION: Adopted.

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

APPOINTMENTS

22. **RES41192** A resolution appointing and reappointing individuals to the Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs.

MOTION: Walker
SECOND: Blocker
ACTION: To adopt Resolution No. 41192.

MOTION: Walker
AMENDMENT: I move to amend Exhibit "A" of Resolution No. 41192 on page 2, line 3, to strike "Appointing Jesse Becerra to fill an unexpired term, to expire March 31, 2026".

SECOND: Blocker

Public comment was taken.

No individuals addressed the City Council.

ACTION: Amended.

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

ACTION: Adopted Resolution No. 41192, as amended.

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

23. **RES41193** A resolution appointing and reappointing individuals to the Sustainable Tacoma Commission.

MOTION: Walker
SECOND: Blocker
ACTION: Adopted.

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

24. **RES41194** A resolution appointing individuals to committees to prepare statements “For” and “Against” Proposition No. 1, concerning the Emergency Medical Services levy lid lift, which will appear in the Voters’ Pamphlet for the August 1, 2023, Primary Election.

MOTION: Walker
SECOND: Blocker
ACTION: Adopted.

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

RESOLUTIONS

25. **RES41195** A resolution directing the Planning Commission and Transportation Commission to create a joint task force to provide coordinated policy direction on transit-oriented development policies and plans, with a particular focus on the upcoming periodic update of the Comprehensive Plan, including the Transportation Master Plan.

MOTION: Walker
SECOND: Blocker
ACTION: Adopted.

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

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

26. **ORD28881** A supplemental ordinance authorizing the execution of an amendment to the Note Purchase Agreement related to the City’s Electric System Subordinate Revenue Note, Series 2020 (Taxable); and delegating the authority to approve the final terms of the amendment.

Set over for final reading next week.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

COMMUNITY FORUM

Community Forum began at 6:30 p.m.

The City Clerk’s Office received six written comments for Community Forum regarding a warehouse in South Tacoma, reservation systems as part of a genocide plan, a response to delays in light rail connections to Pierce County, and Multi-Family Housing Property Tax Exemptions.

13 individuals addressed the City Council.

Community Forum ended at 6:54 p.m.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

There was no report.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Economic Development Committee

Council Member Blocker, Chair of the Economic Development Committee, gave a report.

MOTION: Walker

SECOND: Blocker

ACTION: To excuse Council Member Ushka from the meeting.

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

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.