



# City of Tacoma

## City Council Agenda

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402, Council Chambers

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**June 27, 2023**

**5:00 PM**

### CALL TO ORDER

**Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.**

### ROLL CALL

**PRESENT: 8**

**ABSENT: 1 (Walker)**

### FLAG SALUTE

**Council Member Ushka 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 Ushka.**

### MOMENT OF SILENCE

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

- 1. 23-0670** Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, February 22, 2023.
- 2. 23-0630** Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, January 25, 2023.
- 3. 23-0631** Minutes of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, February 8, 2023.
- 4. 23-0646** Minutes of the Planning Commission special meeting, April 5, 2023.

5. **23-0645** Minutes of the Planning Commission, April 5, 2023.

## AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

Mayor Woodards stated a motion will be considered to add a communication from the City Clerk to the agenda, regarding the petition entitled "Landlord Fairness Code: A Tenant Bill of Rights".

**MOTION: Ushka**

**SECOND: Blocker**

**ACTION: To suspend the rules to add a communication to tonight's agenda, under the Regular Agenda, as Item 14A, regarding the petition entitled "Landlord Fairness Code: A Tenant Bill of Rights".**

**Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Walker) Abstaining: 0**

## CONSENT AGENDA

6. **23-0683** Minutes of the City Council special meeting, March 25, 2023.
7. **23-0684** Minutes of the City Council meeting, April 4, 2023.
8. **23-0685** Minutes of the City Council meeting, April 11, 2023.

## INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS

9. **RES41227** A resolution authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Seattle's Office of Emergency Management, in the amount of \$100,000, budgeted from the General Fund, to merge funding for the purpose of establishing community resilience hubs, a priority identified in the 2030 Climate Action Plan.

## PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

10. **RES41228** A resolution awarding a contract to Asphalt Patch Systems, Inc., in the amount of \$460,860, plus applicable taxes, plus a 15 percent contingency, for a cumulative total of \$529,989, budgeted from the Transportation Capital Fund, for replacement of unfit or unsafe sidewalks at various locations within the Eastside Neighborhood Council District - Specification No. PW23-0054F.

**MOTION: Ushka**

**SECOND: Blocker**

**ACTION: The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

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

**PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 11. 23-0676 Proclaiming July 2023 as Pride Month.
- 12. 23-0681 Recognizing Doris Sorum.

**MOTION: Ushka**

**SECOND: Blocker**

**ACTION: To suspend the rules and take public comment on the recognition for Doris Sorum, at this time.**

**Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Walker) Abstaining: 0**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Public Comment began at 5:23 p.m.**

**Six individuals addressed the City Council.**

**Public Comment ended at 5:32 p.m.**

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**The City Council meeting recessed at 5:57 p.m.**

**The City Council meeting reconvened at 6:10 p.m.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT (Continued)**

**Public Comment began at 6:11 p.m.**

**The City Clerk’s Office received five written comments for Public Comment on Ordinance No. 28894, regarding an amendment to the Rental Housing Code.**

**43 individuals addressed the City Council.**

**Public Comment ended at 7:28 p.m.**

**REGULAR AGENDA**

- 13. 23-0671 A motion may be considered to confirm the emergency proclamation, related to the damage at the Union Avenue to South Tacoma Way ramp, signed by the City Manager and the Mayor, retroactive to February 27, 2023.

**MOTION: Ushka**

**SECOND: Blocker**

**ACTION: Adopted.**

**Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Walker) Abstaining: 0**

## APPOINTMENTS

14. **RES41229** A resolution appointing Kashmiri Gavronski to the Board of Ethics.

**MOTION: Ushka**  
**SECOND: Blocker**  
**ACTION: Adopted.**

**Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Walker) Abstaining: 0**

## COMMUNICATIONS

- 14A. **23-0688** City Clerk advising that the petition entitled "Landlord Fairness Code: A Tenant Bill of Rights", did contain the required number of signatures to place the initiative on the November 2023 ballot.

**This item was informational only.**

## PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

15. **RES41230** A resolution awarding a contract to Global Contractors, LLC, in the amount of \$2,999,526.00, plus applicable taxes, plus a 15 percent contingency, budgeted from the Transportation Capital Fund, for sidewalk and streetscape improvements from Earnest S Brazill Street to 6th Avenue along Martin Luther King Jr. Way, for a projected contract total of \$3,449,454.90 – Specification No. PW23-0021F.

**MOTION: Ushka**  
**SECOND: Blocker**  
**ACTION: Adopted.**

**Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Walker) Abstaining: 0**

## RESOLUTIONS

16. **RES41231** A resolution authorizing the execution of an amendment to the interest-free loan agreement numbered RRB-1269 with Washington State Department of Transportation, to extend the completion date of certain railroad improvement projects from June 30, 2023, to December 31, 2023.

**MOTION: Ushka**  
**SECOND: Blocker**  
**ACTION: Adopted.**

**Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Walker) Abstaining: 0**

17. **RES41232** A resolution authorizing the execution of an amendment to the Tacoma Link Joint Operating Agreement with Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority d.b.a. Sound Transit, to revise and add certain mutually agreed terms and conditions.

**MOTION: Ushka**  
**SECOND: Blocker**  
**ACTION: Adopted.**

**Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Walker) Abstaining: 0**

18. **RES41233** A resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with Pierce County, in an amount not to exceed \$9,600,000, budgeted from the General Fund, for jail services, through December 31, 2028.

**MOTION: Ushka**  
**SECOND: Blocker**  
**ACTION: Adopted.**

**Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Walker) Abstaining: 0**

## **FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES**

19. **ORD28888** An ordinance amending the non-exclusive 20-year franchise agreement with Rainier Connect North LLC, to transfer the agreement to Alphaboost Purchaser, LLC, to construct, operate, maintain, and provide cable television services in the City.

**ACTION: Passed.**

**Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Walker) Abstaining: 0**

20. **ORD28892** 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, Court Clerks Unit.

**ACTION: Passed.**

**Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Walker) Abstaining: 0**

21. **ORD28893** An ordinance adopting the Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program amended for the years 2023 and 2024-2029.

**ACTION: Passed.**

**Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Walker) Abstaining: 0**

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**The City Council meeting recessed at 7:56 p.m.**

**The City Council meeting reconvened at 8:20 p.m.**

## **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

- 22. ORD28894** An ordinance amending Chapter 1.95 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Rental Housing Code, to require landlords to comply with health and safety laws; have a City business license before increasing rent or evicting tenants; set limits on late fees for rent and on pet deposits; require 120-day notice to raise rent; add new regulations for shared housing; and standardize screening criteria for the amount of tenant income required to qualify for housing, for reviewing a tenant's criminal history, and acceptable identification.

**Set over for final reading on July 11, 2023.**

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS**

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

- 23. 23-0609** This is the date set for a public hearing by the City Council on the 2023 Annual Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Regulatory Code, as recommended by the Planning Commission.

**The public hearing began at 8:49 p.m.**

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

**11 individuals addressed the City Council.**

**The public hearing ended at 9:46 p.m.**

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**There was no unfinished business.**

**COMMUNITY FORUM**

Community Forum began at 9:47 p.m.

The City Clerk’s Office received six written comments for Community Forum regarding the South Tacoma warehouse project and climate change.

42 individuals addressed the City Council.

Community Forum ended at 11:05 p.m.

**REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

A report was given.

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

Economic Development Committee

There was no report.

Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee

There was no report.

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MOTION: Ushka

SECOND: Blocker

ACTION: To excuse Deputy Mayor Walker from the meeting.

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:29 p.m.