



**City of Tacoma  
Public Utility Board Meeting**

**August 27, 2025; 6:30 p.m.  
Tacoma Public Utilities – Ground Floor Auditorium  
3628 S 35<sup>th</sup> Street, Tacoma WA 98409**

**Join remotely: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84626080846>  
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**Call to Order**

**Roll Call**

- A. Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings**
- B. Comments by the Public**
- C. Recognition: 2025 TPU United Way Campaign Kick-Off**
- D. Regular Agenda**

**Departmental**

- D-1** Resolution U-11548 - A resolution to award certain contracts and approve certain purchases:
- 1. Award contract to Structured Communications, Inc., for improved external cellular and land mobile radio connectivity for TPU campus interior conference rooms and office spaces (\$1,355,131, plus a contingency to pay tariffs on equipment amounting to \$599,718.60 plus applicable taxes for a projected contract amount of \$1,954,849.60) [John Zwosta, Sr. Telecom Engineer];
  - 2. Increase contract to Morris & Willner Partners, Inc., for additional temporary IT staff to support multiple critical projects (\$7,000,000, plus applicable taxes. Cumulative contract total \$10,830,000, plus applicable taxes) [Corey Bedient, Technology Mgr];
  - 3. Increase contract to Workday, Inc., for cloud-based budgeting and reporting software (\$280,335, plus applicable taxes. Cumulative contract total \$1,036,043, plus applicable taxes) [Michelle Rhubright, Budget and Financial Planning Mgr];
  - 4. Increase sub-agreement to Garland/DBS, Inc., for the replacement of an additional three roofs for buildings at Tacoma Power's Nisqually Hydroelectric Project (\$122,923, plus applicable taxes. Cumulative contract total \$514,840, plus applicable taxes) [Steve Fairchild, Power Systems Engineer].

**Tacoma Power**

- D-2** Resolution U-11549 – Authorize Tacoma Power to complete the customer-funded Phase 1 preliminary engineering design and long-lead time procurement activities for electric utility upgrades necessary to serve the Husky Terminal Expansion Project in the Port of Tacoma [Ali Polda, Projects and Standards Mgr].
- D-3** Resolution U-11550 – Authorize Tacoma Power to hold up to 15 MVA excess transformation capacity from the Lincoln Substation for ten years as part of the Husky Terminal Expansion Project in the Port of Tacoma [John Nierenberg, System Planning and Operations Mgr].

- D-4 Resolution U-11551 - Authorize Tacoma Power to execute a 15-year lease with the Washington State Department of Natural Resources for a communication site on real property owned by the State of Washington, known as Capital Peak in Thurston County, for point-to-point microwave communication [Aaron Anderson, Network and Communication Infrastructure Mgr].

Tacoma Water

- D-5 Resolution U-11552 – Authorize Tacoma Water to execute a purchase and sale agreement with BTG Pactual OEF Property 1, L. P., for the negotiated purchase of approximately 579 acres of forestland located in the Green River Watershed in unincorporated King County for \$2,460,000 [Greg Muller, Real Property Supervisor].

**E. Adjournment**

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