



Public Safety, Human Services, and Education Committee Minutes

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Tacoma Municipal Building, Room 248, 747 Market Street, Tacoma, Washington 98402

September 12, 2013

Chair Woodards called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m.

Council Committee Members Present: Campbell, Lonergan, and Woodards.

Council Committee Members Absent: Mayor Strickland.

Approval of August 8, 2013 Minutes

Deputy Mayor Campbell moved to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2013 meeting. Seconded by Council Member Lonergan. Voice vote was taken and carried. The minutes were approved.

SPARX Program Update

At approximately 4:34 p.m., Shon Silvia, Metro Parks Tacoma, introduced Bob Houston and Jose Gorospe, Metro Parks Tacoma. Mr. Silvia then reviewed the SPARX Program, including background information, an overview of the new program and structure, locations, club offerings, Tacoma Public Schools sport leagues, and next steps. Discussion ensued regarding the program, including which clubs are offered and how they are chosen, making sure each school is aware of all the club options, activity busses, and funding. Deputy Mayor Campbell requested the addition of a chess club.

McCarver Project

At approximately 4:58 p.m., Michael Mirra, Tacoma Housing Authority (THA), introduced Michael Power and Greg Claycamp, THA. Mr. Mirra then provided background information on the THA, reviewed the THA Education Project and outcomes, and reviewed the McCarver Elementary School Special Housing Program. Discussion ensued regarding how outcomes are measured, program expansion, housing vouchers, the College Bound Scholarship, and THA's meth cleanup efforts. Chair Woodards requested an update on the McCarver Elementary School Special Housing Program after their third-year report is complete. Discussion ensued regarding whether an update about meth cleanup efforts should be given at the Neighborhoods and Housing Committee. Chair Woodards asked staff to arrange a joint meeting with the Neighborhoods and Housing Committee to include updates regarding the THA's meth cleanup efforts and alcohol impact areas.

General Government Radio Replacement Contract

At approximately 5:37 p.m., Steve Taylor, Information and Technology, reviewed the General Government radio replacement contract, including background information, issues, next steps, and recommendations.

Deputy Mayor Campbell moved to forward this item to the full Council for consideration. Seconded by Council Member Lonergan. Discussion ensued regarding Tacoma Public Utilities' radio replacement. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was adopted.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

Julie Stoltman, City Manager's Office, stated the September 26, 2013 meeting has been cancelled, and topics for the October 10, 2013 meeting include the Mental Health and Chemical Dependency Program and the 2012-2013 State Gang Grant. Chair Woodards stated the November 11 and 28, 2013 meetings will be cancelled and there will be a special meeting on November 21, 2013. Council Member Lonergan requested an update on the Child Abduction Response Team accreditation exercise. Discussion ensued regarding which committee will review topics relating to marijuana, and interviews to fill vacancies on Committees, Boards, and Commissions (CBC) that report to this Committee. Chair Woodards requested staff provide an update on reviewing the work of the Citizen Review Panel. Council Member Lonergan requested information regarding which CBCs report to this Committee and the number of vacancies for those CBCs.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Public Comment

None.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.



Victoria Woodards, Chair



Linnea Meredith, Office Assistant, City Clerk's Office