



Economic Development Committee Minutes

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

October 29, 2013

Chair Campbell called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Council Committee Members Present: Boe, Campbell, and Mello.

Council Committee Members Absent: Walker (arrived at 10:04 a.m)

Foss Waterway Development Authority Interviews

At approximately 10:02 a.m., City Clerk Doris Sorum provided background information on the Foss Waterway Development Authority (FWDA), provided comments on the process for today's interviews, and introduced Su Dowie, Executive Director of the FWDA. Ms. Sorum noted one of the applicants, William Driscoll, is unable to attend the meeting today.

Council Member Walker arrived here, at 10:04 a.m.

Ms. Dowie provided opening remarks, reviewed the scope of work covered by the FWDA, and described the type of person she would like to serve on the Authority.

The Committee interviewed the following applicants for the FWDA:

Phillip Hill (participated telephonically)
Victoria Cantore
David Graybill
Michael Miller
John (Jay) Jetter
Gary Pedersen
Stan Sidor

Council Member Walker moved to recommend the reappointment of Gary Pedersen to the Foss Waterway Development Authority to serve a three-year term beginning September 24, 2013 to expire December 31, 2016. Seconded by Council Member Boe. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was adopted.

Council Member Walker moved to recommend the reappointment of Michael Miller to the Foss Waterway Development Authority to serve a three-year term beginning January 1, 2014 to expire December 31, 2016. Seconded by Council Member Mello. Discussion ensued regarding the applicant's qualifications. Council Member Boe stated he would like to wait until the final candidate is interviewed next week to make any further recommendations. Council Member Walker withdrew her motion.

Council Member Walker moved to recommend the appointment of Victoria Cantore to the Foss Waterway Development Authority to fill an unexpired term beginning November 12, 2013 to

expire December 31, 2015. Seconded by Council Member Mello. Discussion ensued regarding the applicant's qualifications. Chair Campbell suggested the Committee wait until the final candidate is interviewed next week to make any further recommendations. Council Member Walker withdrew her motion.

Chair Campbell suggested the Committee meet next week to interview Mr. Driscoll and recommend the remaining appointments. He then directed staff to schedule a special meeting for November 5, 2013 to begin at 11:00 a.m.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

Anita Gallagher, City Manager's Office, stated there will be a special meeting next week to continue the FWDA interviews from today's meeting, the November 12, 2013 meeting will include the Economic Development Dashboard Third Quarter Report, and the November 26, 2013 meeting will include year-end reports for the Small Business Enterprise and Local Employment and Apprenticeship Training programs. Chair Campbell inquired about the December 10, 2013 meeting; Ms. Gallagher stated there are no items currently scheduled, but she could add the draft year-end report for this Committee.

Other Items of Interest

Ms. Sorum introduced Nicole Emery, City Clerk's Office, and stated she will be staffing this Committee.

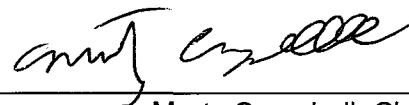
Chair Campbell requested staff change the interview format by either increasing the presentation time or reducing the number of questions to be addressed, moving the timer closer to the applicant, and clearly identifying which the chair the applicant should use.

Public Comment

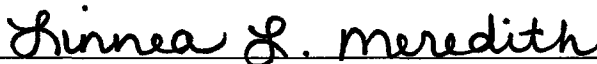
None.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:39 a.m.



Marty Campbell, Chair



Linnea Meredith, Office Assistant, City Clerk's Office