



# City of Tacoma Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402, Conference Room 248

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**June 14, 2023**

**4:30 PM**

Chair Kristina Walker, Vice Chair Olgy Diaz, John Hines,  
Catherine Ushka, Joe Bushnell (alternate)

## Call To Order

Chair Walker called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

## Roll Call

**Present:** 3 - Diaz, Walker and Ushka

**Absent:** 1 - Hines

Council Member Hines arrived at 4:31 p.m.

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Council Member Hines arrived here, at 4:31 p.m.

## Public Comment

There was no public comment.

## Approval of Minutes

1. [23-0611](#) Approval of the minutes of the February 22, 2023, meeting.

**MOTION: Council Member Diaz moved to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2023, meeting.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Ushka.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 4 - Diaz, Hines, Walker and Ushka

## Briefing Items

2. [23-0605](#) Tacoma Municipal Code 17.02.140 Noise by Animal Amendment  
[Joe Satter-Hunt, Animal Control and Compliance Supervisor, Tacoma Police Department; Jennifer Taylor, Deputy City Attorney]

At approximately 4:32 p.m., Jennifer Taylor, Deputy City Attorney, provided opening remarks and introduced Joe Satter-Hunt, Animal Control and Compliance Supervisor, Tacoma Police Department. Together, they presented the proposed amendments Tacoma Municipal Code (TMC) related to noise by an animal, including an overview; background, noting TMC sections 17.02.140 and 8.12.060; issues; and proposed revisions.

Council Member Hines began the discussion with explaining the background of how this briefing item got to the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee. Discussion ensued regarding complaint volume, complaint logistics, how animal noise complaints work with animal cruelty ordinances, who can issue the complaint, the radius of the complaints, the process when a complaint is called in, businesses with loud animals, and exceptions to the code amendments.

**MOTION: Council Member Diaz moved to forward the proposed amendments to Tacoma Municipal Code sections 17.02.140 and 18.12.060 to the full City Council for consideration.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Ushka.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 4 - Diaz, Hines, Walker and Ushka

3. [23-0606](#) EnviroChallengers Briefing  
[Jim Parvey, Environmental Policy and Sustainability Division Manager, Environmental Services]

At approximately 4:57 p.m., Jim Parvey, Environmental Policy and Sustainability Division Manager, Environmental Services, provided opening remarks on the EnviroChallengers program and introduced Jacqueline Fuller, John Inch, Gator Lanphear, and Kate Waind, EnviroChallengers. Together they presented an overview; K-12 classroom lessons; a summary of lessons provided in 2020-2023; EnviroArts lessons; action projects; teacher professional development; workforce development, noting the Summer Certificate program; and the Next Move internships. They

continued with community events and outreach; reflections, noting challenges and overcoming obstacles; and next steps, noting goals for 2024 and beyond.

Discussion ensued regarding air quality lessons, summer and after school programs, community events, litter control, climate change education programs, food waste diversion and recycling programs in schools, art lessons, departmental funding, partnerships, training, and surveying of parent and teachers on the EnviroChallenger program.

4. [23-0607](#) Urban Design Review Program Updates  
[Stephen Antupit, Senior Planner; Carl Metz, Senior Planner, Planning and Development Services]

At approximately 5:44 p.m., Stephen Antupit, and Carl Metz, Senior Planners, Planning and Development Services, presented the Urban Design Review process. Antupit begin the presentation with opening remarks and presented on the agenda; the project scope, noting previous City Council direction and guidance from the Committee; the project is focus; State Legislation prohibiting middle housing; framing urban design principles, noting underlining zoning; and the Urban Design Review processes. Metz continued with State Legislative actions, public meeting options, and next steps.

Discussion ensued regarding public meetings, review, transparency, the timing of the shot clocks, what qualifies for the review process, appeal process, public comment, and the building square footage requirements.

## Topics for Upcoming Meetings

5. [23-0608](#) June 28, 2023-Cancelled  
July 12, 2023-Vision Zero Update; Multi-Modal Transportation Update;  
Tree Code Policy Update  
July 26, 2023-FAC Progress and Project Cost Update; Tacoma Recycles Right;  
Neighborhood Planning Program Update

Joe Franco, Committee Liaison, stated that the June 28, 2023, meeting was cancelled; the July 12, 2023, meeting will include a Vision Zero update, a multi-modal transportation update, including unsafe and unfit sidewalks; and the July 26, 2023, meeting will have a Facilities Advisory Committee progress and project cost update; a Tacoma Recycles right update; and a Neighborhood Planning Program update.

## Other Items of Interest

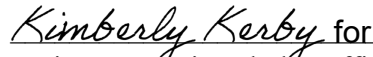
There were no other items of interest.

## Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.



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Kristina Walker, Chair



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Katie Foster, City Clerk's Office