

**Minutes
Joint Municipal Action Committee
January 10, 2014**

PRESENT Clare Petrich, Chair (Port of Tacoma)
Debbie Winskill, Vice-Chair (Tacoma School Board)
Tim Reid (Metropolitan Park Board)
Aaron Pointer (Metropolitan Park Board)
Joe Lopez (Tacoma City Council)
Robert Thoms (Tacoma City Council)
Kurt Miller (Tacoma School Board)
Evette Mason (Port of Tacoma)
Alisa O'Hanlon (City of Tacoma)
Connie Ladenburg (Pierce County Council)
Nancy Davis (Metropolitan Park District)
Jennifer Joly (Pierce County)

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Clare Petrich called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

INTRODUCTIONS

The attendees introduced themselves. Also in attendance were: Mark Williams, Pierce County; Brian Ziegler, Pierce County; Anita Gallagher, City Manager's Office; Connie Brown, Human Services Coalition; Allen Ratcliffe, Human Services Coalition; and Bob Winslow, National Association of Mental Illness-Local Chapter.

Tim Reid explained that the Joint Municipal Action Committee was revamped around 1995 and was formed as a means of allowing local municipalities to discuss issues that cross jurisdictional lines.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Vice-Chair Debbie Winskill moved for approval of the agenda. Connie Ladenburg seconded the motion. The chair declared the motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice-Chair Debbie Winskill moved for approval of the minutes of December 13, 2013 and Connie Ladenburg seconded. The chair declared the motion passed.

AGENDA ITEMS

Puget Sound Gateway Project - Brian Ziegler reported on the Puget Sound Gateway Project, which is an effort underway to complete State Route 167 and State Route 509 corridor connections to Interstate 5. Mr. Ziegler provided a copy of the WSDOT Puget Sound Gateway Funding and Phasing Study report of September 2013. A copy of the report is available upon request. It was agreed that there is widespread support for this project and that everyone should take advantage of any opportunity to promote it.

Eastside Community Center - Nancy Davis and Alisa O’Hanlon reported on a recent public meeting with eastside community members to gather input and suggestions on a proposed East Tacoma Community Center. The final feasibility study is expected to be complete by late January or early February and will be brought to the next meeting of JMAC. The report of the public meeting is available upon request.

Mental Health Services in and around Tacoma/Pierce County – Connie Brown, Allen Ratcliffe and Bob Winslow reported in depth on the status of mental health services in and around Tacoma and Pierce County as well as the Pierce County Human Services Coalition Legislative Priorities for 2014. A copy of the Legislative Priorities and a letter to legislators is available upon request. The committee agreed that much more conversation and information are needed and this topic will be on a future agenda with additional guest speakers.

DISCUSSION OF MUTUAL INTERESTS AND CONCERNS/FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Chair Clare Petrich invited committee members to stay following the meeting to wrap up their discussion regarding mental health services.

SETTING OF NEXT MEETING AGENDA

Eastside Community Center – Final Feasibility Study (Metro Parks)
Metropolitan Parks Bond Measure
CEO Reports
Mental Health Services
2015 U.S. Open – Chambers Bay Golf Course in University Place

Future Agenda Items

Mental Health Services in Tacoma/Pierce County
Earth Week Citizen’s Academy Update (Anders Ibsen)
Transport of Coal through Tacoma
Affordable Housing Policies (Anders Ibsen / Lauren Walker)
Foss/Hylebos Recontamination (Port of Tacoma)
Economic Development and Impacts
Earth Economics (Metro Parks Tacoma)

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Friday, February 14, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. in Conference Room 248. Quarterly meeting with the CEOs. Minutes for February to be taken by Tacoma Public Schools.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m.