



# Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee Minutes

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Tacoma Municipal Building North, Room 16, 733 Market Street, Tacoma, Washington 98402

September 25, 2013

Vice Chair Boe called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

Council Committee Members Present: Boe, Ibsen, and Walker.

Council Committee Members Absent: Mello.

## **Approval of August 28, 2013 Minutes**

Council Member Walker moved to approve the minutes of the August 28, 2013 meeting. Seconded by Council Member Ibsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The minutes were approved.

## **First Creek Action Plan**

At approximately 4:36 p.m. Geoffrey Smyth, Environmental Services, reviewed the First Creek Watershed, including background information, challenges, and recent progress. Elliott Barnett, Planning and Development Services (PDS), reviewed the First Creek Action Plan, including objectives, the process, the vision, and priorities. Donna Chang, First Creek Middle School, reviewed the habitat and education portions of the action plan, noting Green Tacoma Day is October 12, 2013. Dan Fear, First Creek Neighbors, reviewed the neighborhood portion of the action plan. Mr. Smyth then reviewed the access and surface water portions of the action plan, and next steps. Discussion ensued regarding surface water issues and long-term resolutions for encampments in the area.

Council Member Walker moved to concur that this Committee supports proceeding with the implementation of the First Creek Action Plan. Seconded by Council Member Ibsen. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was adopted.

## **Wapato Hills Master Plan**

At approximately 5:08 p.m. Elliot Barnett, PDS, introduced Christie Evans, Metro Parks Tacoma, and provided an update on the Wapato Hills Master Plan, including aerial maps of the site, previous plan maps, background information, challenges, public safety and enjoyment, the process to update the plan, updates, and next steps. Discussion ensued regarding parking, development sites, and the site maps. Council Member Walker requested an update on Oak Tree Park.

## **2015 Comprehensive Plan Update**

At approximately 5:25 p.m. Brian Boudet, PDS, provided opening remarks and introduced Stephen Atkinson, PDS. Mr. Atkinson reviewed the 2015 Comprehensive Plan, including an overview of the plan, the regional growth forecast and footprint, Vision 2040, the regional strategy, and implications for Tacoma. Discussion ensued regarding the City's growth rate.

Mr. Atkinson then reviewed the City's Comprehensive Plan, growth concept, phases and schedule of the plan, participation strategy, and project opportunities. Discussion ensued regarding the inclusion of the Council's vision and strategic priorities in the plan, and public participation. Council Member Walker requested staff review new fair housing regulations.

**Topics for Upcoming Meetings**

Carmen White, City Manager's Office, stated the October 9, 2013 meeting will include a presentation by the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency, smoke reduction zone outreach campaign, and the Transportation Master Plan and Six-Year Plan.

**Other Items of Interest**

There were no other items of interest.

**Public Comment**

None.

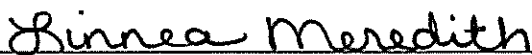
Nadia Chandler-Hardy, Assistant to the City Manager, provided an update on the Transportation Commission, noting their first meeting was on September 18, 2013, and co-chairs Justin Leighton and Dr. Jane Moore were elected. She then stated they will be participating in the Transportation Master Plan discussion at this Committee's next meeting on October 9, 2013.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:58 p.m.



David Boe, Vice Chair



Linnea Meredith, Office Assistant, City Clerk's Office