



City of Tacoma

Public Safety, Human Services, and Education Committee Minutes

747 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 248

October 23, 2014

4:30 PM

Chair Victoria Woodards, Vice Chair Marty Campbell,
Mayor Marilyn Strickland, Joe Lonergan, Ryan Mello (alternate)

Call To Order

Chair Woodards called the meeting to order at 4:38 p.m.

Present: 4 - Campbell, Lonergan, Strickland and Woodards

Approval of Minutes

1. 14-1021 Approval of the minutes of October 9, 2014
MOTION: Council Member Campbell moved to approve the minutes of the October 9, 2014 meeting.
SECONDED BY: Council Member Lonergan.
ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The minutes were approved.
Ayes: 4 - Campbell, Lonergan, Strickland and Woodards

Briefing Items

2. 14-1022 Proposed Changes to Animal Control Code
[Captain Taylor, Tacoma Police Department]

At approximately 4:38 p.m., Charles Taylor, Police Captain, made opening remarks and introduced Jon Walker, Deputy City Attorney, and Joe Satter-Hunt, Animal Control Supervisor. Captain Taylor then reviewed the proposed code revision to the Tacoma Municipal Code, Chapter 17.01, to add section 17.01.166 regarding adequate care for animals, to include sufficient food, water, and a safe and sanitary shelter. He stated the code change was requested by citizens from the South End. He concluded by reviewing other miscellaneous code language clean-up. Discussion ensued regarding collecting fees, animals that are left outside in cold weather, code revision language,

shelter parameters, leaving animals in cars, upholding the code and infractions, items that fall under animal cruelty, the number of animal control compliance officer, and types of food.

Public comment was heard from Venus Dergan, South Tacoma Neighborhood Council; Heidi White, Manitou resident; and Rick Hall, Washington Alliance for Humane Legislation.

MOTION: Council Member Lonergan moved to forward code revisions to the Tacoma Municipal Code Chapter 17.01 regarding adequate care for animals to the full Council for consideration.

SECONDED BY: Mayor Strickland.

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

Ayes: 3 - Lonergan, Strickland and Woodards

Absent: 1 - Campbell

3. **14-1023** Mental Health Substance Use Disorder Program Evaluation Update
[Pamela Duncan, Neighborhood and Community Services]

At approximately 5:06 p.m., Pamela Duncan, Neighborhood and Community Services (NCS), provided background information on the program name change and reviewed the evaluation process and database development. Kimberly Dodds, NCS, provided information on the creation of the database, including the data collection process, data sharing, project coordination, and reporting. She stated the new form structure helps system users provide correct database information, including treatment plans, patient status, reporting, adhering to treatment, and referrals. Ms. Duncan concluded by reviewing reporting standards and database usage, policy goals, evaluation challenges, state regulations, and database maintenance. Discussion ensued throughout regarding database usage and the number of entries, technical support and financial help for database users, reporting standards, and the mental health sales tax.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

4. **14-1025** November 13, 2014 - SPECIAL MEETING (9:30 am) - Human Services Funding Recommendation; REGULAR MEETING (4:00 pm) - Human Services and Human Rights Commission Interviews

Genesis Gavino, City Manager's Office, stated we will have two special meetings on November 13, 2014. She stated the first meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. to discuss human services funding recommendations, and the second meeting will be held at 4:00 p.m., with interviews for the Human Rights and Human Services Commissions.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Public Comment

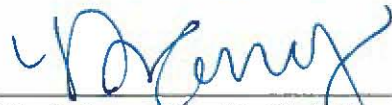
Public comment was heard earlier in the meeting.

Adjournment

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:31 p.m.



Victoria Woodards, Chair



Nicole Emery, City Clerk's Office