



City of Tacoma City Council Study Session Minutes

733 Market Street, Tacoma WA 98402

Conference Room 16

November 10, 2015

12:00 PM

Call to Order

Mayor Strickland called the study session to order at 12:07 p.m.

Present: 6 - Boe, Campbell, Ibsen, Walker, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

Absent: 3 - Lonergan, Mello and Thoms

Council Member Mello arrived at 12:10 p.m., and Council Member Thoms arrived at 12:26 p.m.

Briefing Items

1. [15-1226](#) Tacoma Mall Subarea Plan Informational Update

At approximately 12:07 p.m., Peter Huffman, Director of Planning and Development Services (PDS), provided a brief background of the subarea plans, and introduced Elliott Barnett, PDS.

Council Member Mello arrived here, at 12:10 p.m.

Mr. Barnett provided an overview of the Tacoma Mall Subarea Plan, including project area, policy background, project approach, outreach, and public input. He then introduced Julia Walton, 3 Square Blocks. Ms. Walton continued the presentation by reviewing neighborhood structure, goals, and the illustrative vision plan.

Council Member Thoms arrived here, at 12:26 p.m.

Ms. Walton continued by discussing parks, open space, and circulation concepts, stormwater opportunities, green street concept, quadrants within the plan, key actions, potential regulatory approach, and next steps.

Discussion ensued regarding connection between neighborhoods, support for the plan, industrial mixed-use areas, quadrants, and naming conventions.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Committee Reports

Council Member Ibsen stated the Zoo Trek Authority met last Wednesday, where a quarterly update was given on finances, attendance, and capital improvements. He stated that attendance continues to surpass previous quarters.

Council Member Mello provided an update on the long term revenue of the Flood Control Zone District. He also stated the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) Growth Management Policy Board is currently working on certifying comprehensive plans for every jurisdiction in the PSRC region and that a presentation was given in regards to time spent in traffic.

Agenda Review and City Manager's Weekly Report

2. [15-1227](#) Weekly Report to the City Council, November 5, 2015

At approximately 1:02 p.m., T.C. Broadnax, City Manager, stated that there is one proclamation on tonight's agenda, proclaiming November 2015 as American Indian Heritage Month. Elizabeth Pauli, City Attorney, stated that there will be one proposed amendment to Resolution No. 39302.

Adjournment

On proper motion, the study session was adjourned at 1:04 p.m.

Marilyn Strickland, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk