



# Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee Minutes

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

October 9, 2013

Chair Mello called the meeting to order at 4:36 p.m.

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

Council Committee Members Absent: None.

## **Approval of September 25, 2013 Minutes**

Council Member Boe moved to approve the minutes of the September 25, 2013 meeting. Seconded by Council Member Walker. Voice vote was taken and carried. The minutes were approved.

## **Smoke Reduction Zone Outreach Campaign**

At approximately 4:36 p.m., Alisa O'Hanlon, City Manager's Office, provided background information regarding the City's non-attainment status with EPA PM2.5 air quality standards, and introduced Craig Kenworthy, Puget Sound Clean Air Agency. Mr. Kenworthy reviewed the City's smoke reduction zone outreach campaign, including the Tacoma-Pierce County smoke reduction zone, the health effects and sources of fine particles, consequences if the problem is not fixed, potential solutions, how the City is doing on getting out of non-attainment status, fine particle levels in Tacoma, campaign results for enforcement and public outreach, next steps, and contributions and support from the City. Discussion ensued regarding the requirements for maintaining attainment status, and funding sources. Mr. Kenworthy reviewed potential ozone issues and how they could impact the City. Council Member Boe inquired whether the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency Transportation Policy Board is aware of the problem; Mr. Kenworthy noted they have been notified of the issue.

## **Transportation Master Plan and Six-Year Plan**

At approximately 5:14 p.m., Josh Diekman, Public Works, provided background information on the Transportation Master Plan (TMP), and introduced Dan Grayuski, Fehr & Peers. Mr. Grayuski described the components of a TMP, including Growth Management Act requirements for transportation, and key principles relating to balance, connectivity, public right-of-ways, and sustainability. Discussion ensued regarding the TMP including why facility and service needs are reviewed for a twenty year period, making sure diagrams follow the City's hierarchy for transportation, addressing fair housing needs when making TMP decisions, and the importance of working with public stakeholders. Mr. Diekman then reviewed the TMP schedule and next steps.

Jennifer Kammerzell, Public Works, provided an update on the Transportation Commission, including membership, schedule of regular meetings, bylaws, and a work plan. She then reviewed the draft Six-Year Plan, including background information, issues, deleted and added

projects, recommendations, and next steps. Discussion ensued regarding the plan, including potential impacts if City of Tacoma Proposition No. 1 is passed, the Hilltop Local Improvement District, the Business District Beautification Project, the location of Walter's Road, and the process for improving crosswalks.

Council Member Boe moved to forward the draft Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2013 – 2014 and 2015 – 2020 to the City Council for review and adoption. Seconded by Council Member Walker. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was adopted.

**Topics for Upcoming Meetings**

Carmen White, City Manager's Office, stated topics for the October 23, 2013 meeting include the Schuster Parkway promenade, an update on the 2015 Comprehensive Plan, and interviews for the Tacoma Planning Commission.

**Other Items of Interest**

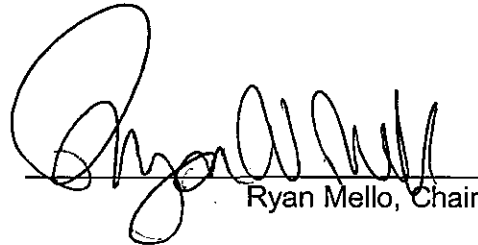
Chair Mello stated a letter relating to fossil fuel divestment was sent to this Committee from the Sustainable Tacoma Commission. Discussion ensued regarding whether the letter should be discussed at a Committee of the Whole meeting, assigned to the Government Performance and Finance Committee for review, or discussed at a joint meeting. Nadia Chandler-Hardy, Assistant to the City Manager, stated joint meetings are not recommended as they may create a quorum of the Council, and this topic will be addressed at the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

**Public Comment**

None.

**Adjournment**

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



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Ryan Mello, Chair



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Linnea Meredith, Office Assistant, City Clerk's Office