



City of Tacoma Economic Development Committee Minutes

747 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 248

April 12, 2016

10:00 AM

Chair Marty Campbell, Ryan Mello,
Marilyn Strickland, Robert Thoms, Conor McCarthy (alternate)

Call To Order

Chair Campbell called the meeting to order at 10:09 a.m.

Present: 3 - Campbell, Strickland and Thoms

Absent: 1 - Mello

MOTION: Mayor Strickland moved to correct the minutes of the Tuesday, February 9, 2016 meeting minutes to replace Deputy Mayor Mello with Council Member Thoms as Vice Chair of the Economic Development Committee.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.

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

Ayes: 3 - Campbell, Strickland and Thoms

Absent: 1 - Mello

Briefing Items

1. 16-0306 LEAP Partners Discussion on Vocational Training (Peter Guzman, LEAP Program Manager, Community and Economic Development)

At approximately 10:10 a.m., Peter Guzman, Community and Economic Development (CED), provided an overview of the CED Local Employment and Apprenticeship Training Program (LEAP). He discussed background information and employment opportunities. Blake Ingram, Bates Technical College, reviewed the performance based mission fulfillment, mission statement, strategic goals, data elements, completion rates, the manufacturing industry, and career training. Caryn Fosnaugh, Bates Technical College, discussed apprenticeship partnerships, grants, and special projects. Mr. Ingram

concluded by discussing new partnerships with coordinated services to provide opportunities to local residents in the area.

Dr. Lonnie Howard, Clover Park Technical College, reviewed college budget, total number of students attending, diversity, and achievements in student success and institutional excellence. Mabel Edmonds, Clover Park Technical College, reviewed strategic goals, campus locations, certificate and degree programs, including aerospace and advanced manufacturing, transportation and trades, science, technology and engineering, business and hospitality, health sciences and human services, short-term training and continuing education. She discussed partnerships, workforce preparation, graduation and employment. Claire Korschowski, Clover Park Technical College, reviewed Mechatronics as a new trade offered at Clover Park Technical College.

Demetria Lynn Strickland, Aerospace Joint Apprenticeship Committee (AJAC), reviewed the history of AJAC, apprenticeship programs, partnerships with community and technical colleges, the difference between their programs compared to other programs in the industry, related supplemental instruction in the classroom and structured on the job training, AJAC apprentices, employer partners, high school and skill center partnerships, diversity, training in approved occupations, apprenticeship return on investment, continuing apprenticeship education, pre-apprenticeship program, and K-12 outreach.

Discussion ensued regarding student barriers, program funding, policy on tax incentive, tax credits and/or revenue for employers, funding for veterans, K-12 apprenticeship outreach programs with AJAC, transportation needs, and additional locations available within the City.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

2. 16-0307 April 26, 2016 - Museum and Theater District Update & Cultural Access Washington

Brad Forbes, Committee Liaison, stated the next meeting will be on April 26, 2016, and topics will include an update on the Museum and Theater District and Cultural Access Washington.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Public Comment

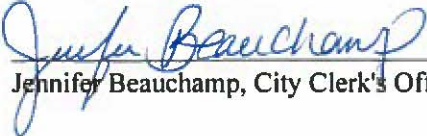
There was no public comment.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:21 a.m.



Marty Campbell, Chair



Jennifer Beauchamp, City Clerk's Office