

City of Tacoma Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee Minutes

733 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402
Conference Room 16
October 22, 2014

october 22, 201

4:30 PM

Chair Ryan Mello, Vice Chair David Boe, Anders Ibsen, Lauren Walker, Marty Campbell (alternate)

Call To Order

Chair Mello called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.

Present: 3 - Boe, Ibsen and Mello

Absent: 1 - Walker

Approval of Minutes

1. 14-1002 Approval of the minutes of October 8, 2014

MOTION: Council Member Boe moved to approve the minutes of the

October 8, 2014 meeting.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The minutes were approved.

Aves: 3 - Boe, Ibsen and Mello

Absent: 1 - Walker

Briefing Items

2. 14-1004 Environmental Sustainability Management System
[Mike P. Slevin III, P.E., Director of Environmental Services]

At approximately 4:32 p.m., Mike Slevin, Environmental Services (ES) Director, reviewed the Environmental Sustainability Management System for International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 14001 Certification, including background information, elements, and project status. He continued to review significant aspects, including air emissions, electricity usage, groundwater depletion, and resource consumption. Mr. Slevin concluded by reviewing project successes, and the proposed timeline. Discussion ensued

throughout regarding emergency management plans, auditing, creating efficiencies, processes relative to water quality, design standards, program benefits, risk management standards, environmental concerns, and ISO certification levels.

3. 14-1005

Gateways into the City - Tree Planting in WSDOT Rights-of-Way [Lorna Mauren, P.E., Assistant Division Manager, Surface Water, Environmental Services]

At approximately 4:55 p.m., Geoff Smyth, ES, provided background information on tree planting in Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) right-of-ways. Mike Carey, ES, reviewed the Urban Forest Policy Element, Canopy Cover Assessment, WSDOT partnership, the 38th Street interchange pilot, landscape master planning, potential interstate and state route project areas, and next steps. Discussion ensued regarding defining right-of-ways, canopy cover, tree types, the watering process, maintenance ownership, Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design standards, maintaining visibility to the rock located at the 56th Street onramp to southbound Interstate 5, the permitting process, and installation and planting plans.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

4. 14-1006 November 12, 2014

November 12, 2014 - Measurement of Sustainability Initiatives, Tacoma Public Utilities' Integrated Resources Plan, & Planning Commission Interviews

Nadia Chandler Hardy, Assistant to the City Manager, stated the meeting of November 12, 2014 will have presentations relating to the Tacoma Public Utilities' Integrated Resources Plan; measurement of Sustainability Initiatives; and interviews for the Planning Commission.

Discussion ensued regarding the measurements of sustainability initiatives, the context of the sustainable and environmental work plans, fuel sources, and fuel sources used by the Bonneville Power Administration. Chair Mello requested staff schedule the November 12, 2014 meeting topics in the following order: Tacoma Public Utilities' Integrated Resources Plan, measurement of sustainability initiatives, and the Planning Commission interviews.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Adjournment

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Ryan Wello, Chair

Nicole Emery City Clerk's Office