



City of Tacoma

Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402, Conference Room 248

Dial: 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 878 2905 6704

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September 13, 2023

4:30 PM

Chair Kristina Walker, Vice Chair Olgy Diaz, John Hines,
Catherine Ushka, Joe Bushnell (alternate)

Call To Order

Chair Walker called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 4 - Diaz, Hines, Walker and Ushka

Public Comment

Public Comment was heard from:

1. Eric Seibel, speaking on the Tree Code policy update.
2. Kit Burns, speaking on the Tree Code policy update.
3. Debra Grady, speaking on the Tree Code policy update.
4. Lowell Wyse, speaking on the Tree Code policy update.
5. Tom Giske, speaking on the Tree Code policy update.
6. Jodi Cod, speaking on the Tree Code policy update.
7. Georgette Reuter, speaking on the Tree Code policy update.
8. Brett Johnson, speaking on the Tree Code policy update.

Approval of Minutes

1. [23-0877](#) Minutes of the March 8, 2023, meeting.

MOTION: Council Member Diaz moved to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2023, meeting.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Hines.

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

Ayes: 4 - Diaz, Hines, Walker and Ushka

Briefing Items

2. [23-0874](#) Tree Code Policy Update
[Mike Carey, Principal Natural Resources Analyst, Environmental Services;
Jana Magoon, Land Use Division Manager, Planning and Development Services]

At approximately 4:55 p.m., Mike Carey, Principal Natural Resources Analyst, Environmental Services, introduced Jana Magoon, Land Use Division Manager, Planning and Development Services, and presented Municipal Code updates related to trees in the right-of-way, including an overview, street tree permits for pruning, removal, conflict trees, fees, planting; and exemptions, City projects, emergencies with requests for pruning on City property, heritage trees, and enforcement.

Magoon, continued with resources for implementation and

Carey finished with the schedule, and next steps.

Discussion ensued regarding the revisions and the recommendation to the full City Council for consideration.

MOTION: Council Member Diaz moved the proposed recommendation of Municipal Code revisions related to the tree code to the full City Council for consideration.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Hines.

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

Ayes: 4 - Diaz, Hines, Walker and Ushka

3. [23-0875](#) Safe Routes to School Action Plan Update
[Cailin Henley, Safe Routes to School Coordinator, Public Works]

This item was not addressed.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

4. [23-0876](#) September 27, 2023 - Facilities Advisory Committee Recommendation, PFAS Regulation Updates
October 11, 2023 - Combined Committees, Boards and Commissions Reports
October 25, 2023 - Tree Operations Plan Briefing, Schuster Parkway Update, Home In Tacoma Update


Cathy Satava, Committee Liaison, stated the next meeting is scheduled for September 27, 2023, and will include updates on the Facilities Advisory Committee recommendation, PFAS regulation, and Safe Routes to School; the October 11, 2023, meeting will be held in Council Chambers and will include a combined report from our Committees, Boards, and Commissions; and the October 25, 2023, meeting will include the tree operations plan briefing, the Schuster Parkway update, and the Home in Tacoma update.

Other Items of Interest

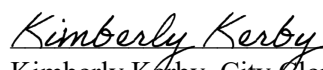
There were no other items of interest.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:48 p.m.



Kristina Walker, Chair



Kimberly Kerby, City Clerk's Office