

# City of Tacoma Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee Minutes

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October 11, 2023 4:30 PM

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

#### **CHANGE OF LOCATION**

#### Call To Order

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

#### Roll Call

**Present:** 3 - Diaz, Walker and Bushnell

Absent: 2 - Hines and Ushka

#### **Public Comment**

Public comment was heard from:

1. Adam Oswald, speaking on the TAGRO program and biochar.

## **Briefing Items**

1. <u>23-0980</u>

Combined Committees, Boards and Commissions Reports
[Sustainable Tacoma Commission; Transportation Commission; Landmarks
Preservation Commission; Planning Commission]

At approximately 4:38 p.m., together, committee, board, and commission (CBC) liaisons and leadership presented reports on their respective CBCs, including what they do, the commissioners, outcomes and accomplishments, and what they are working on. Reuben McKnight, Staff Liaison, and Kevin Bartoy, Chair, presented for the Landmarks Preservation Commission. Carrie Wilhelme, Staff Liaison, and Bruce Morris and Matthew Stevens, Co-Chairs, presented for the Transportation Commission. Steve Atkinson, Staff Liaison, and Chris Karnes, Chair, presented for the Planning Commission. Lakecia Farmer, Staff Liaison, and Margaret Schwertner, and Evlondo Cooper, Co-Chairs, presented for the Sustainable Tacoma Commission.

Discussion ensued throughout with questions for each of the commissions. Landmarks Preservation Commission discussion included demolition permits, Heritage Trees, Historic Registry, tax credits, and Home in Tacoma. Transportation Commission discussion included staffing, equity map, how the members were appointed, investigative group task force, and looking at purposed redesign of Hosmer Street. Planning Commission discussion included Home in Tacoma, the McKinley Hill and Proctor Neighborhood Plans, Historic South Tacoma, the need for bandwidth and how the Council can help, and the Housing Equity Task Force. Discussion topics for the Sustainable Tacoma Commission included tree canopies on private property, types of green spaces on private property, green roofs, code flexibility, and partnership with Home in Tacoma.

Chair Walker provided closing remarks thanking all of the commissions for attending one meeting, noting the synergy between each of the commissions that presented and the connection with Home in Tacoma; Chair Walker continued with requesting that each commission continue to send in letters to the Council with their requests and ideas.

### **Topics for Upcoming Meetings**

2. 23-0981 October 25, 2023 - Schuster Parkway Update, Home In Tacoma Update

November 8, 2023 - Vision Zero Update, Multi-Modal Transportation Update

(Including Unsafe/Unfit Sidewalk Update)

November 22, 2023 - Cancelled

December 13, 2023 - Landmarks Preservation Commission Interviews,

Planning Commission Annual Report and

Work Program Update

December 27, 2023 - Cancelled

Cathy Satava, Committee Liaison, stated the next meeting will be on October 25, 2023, and will include updates on Schuster Parkway and Home in Tacoma; the November 8, 2023, meeting, will have a Vision Zero and active transportation update; the November 22, 2023, meeting, is cancelled for the Thanksgiving holiday; and the December 13, 2023, meeting, will include Landmarks Preservation Commission interviews, and the Planning Commission's annual report with a work program update, noting that this will be the last meeting of the year.

Chair Walker provided remarks regarding 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 5:57 p.m.

Kristina Walker, Chair

Kimberly Kerby Kimberly Kerby, City Clerk's Office