



City of Tacoma

Public Safety, Human Services, and Education Committee Minutes

747 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 248

March 26, 2015

4:30 PM

Chair Victoria Woodards, Vice Chair Marty Campbell,
Mayor Marilyn Strickland, Joe Lonergan, Ryan Mello (alternate)

Call To Order

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

Present: 3 - Campbell, Lonergan and Woodards

Absent: 1 - Strickland

Approval of Minutes

1. [15-0320](#) Approval of the minutes of February 26, 2015
MOTION: Council Member Campbell moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 26, 2015.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Lonergan.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The minutes were approved.
Ayes: 3 - Campbell, Lonergan and Woodards
Absent: 1 - Strickland

Briefing Items

2. [15-0321](#) 2015-2016 CDBG and ESG Funding for Annual Action Plan [Pamela Duncan, Neighborhood and Community Services]

At approximately 4:37 p.m., Shelley Koeppen, Neighborhood and Community Services, reviewed the 2015-2016 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding recommendations, including the annual federal funds, human services funding recommendations, CDBG public services, ESG funding priorities, the allocation process, recommended allocations, and next steps. Discussion ensued regarding the application process, zero-based funding, and rapid re-housing.

3. [15-0322](#) TMC 8.52 - Smoking on Municipal Transit Property
[Keith Echterling, City Attorney's Office]

At approximately 5:01 p.m., Keith Echterling, City Attorney's Office (CAO), reviewed the proposed amendment to the Municipal Code Chapter 8.52.020 relative to smoking on transit property, including current state laws, disparity between laws, issues, proposed ordinance revisions, and staff recommendations. Discussion ensued regarding products used in lieu of cigarettes, what constitutes smoking, enforcement strategies, and defining designated smoking areas.

Chair Woodards and Council Member Campbell requested information on local or state laws relative to vaporizers, and requested CAO work with the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department on including vaporizers in the proposed language. Council Member Lonergan requested staff review smoking on transit property laws in local jurisdictions.

4. [15-0323](#) TMC 8.66 - Airsoft Ordinance
[Keith Echterling, City Attorney's Office]

At approximately 5:26 p.m., Mr. Echterling, reviewed the proposed changes to the Municipal Code Chapter 8.66 relative to air guns, including defining the term air gun, clarifying the scope of the proposed exception, creating a limited exception for use at licensed indoor business facilities, issues, scope of exception, and defining legal age of use. Discussion ensued regarding defining air guns, paintball gun and markers, defining a facility, and carrying cases. Council Member Campbell requested staff add language relative to paintball guns. Council Member Lonergan requested language to define the term facility. Council Member Campbell requested staff review projectile speed and defining air guns. Chair Woodards requested staff discuss language changes with Police.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

5. [15-0324](#) April 9 - Region 5 All Hazards Mitigation Plan; Report from Human Rights Commission

Genesis Gavino, City Manager's Office, stated the next meeting is April 9, 2015 with a presentation regarding the Region 5 Mitigation Plan and a report from the Human Rights Commission.

Other Items of Interest

Chair Woodards stated one applicant for the Commission on Disabilities was unable to attend today's meeting for an interview, however she did provide a written response to the provided interview questions. Discussion ensued regarding the candidates' qualifications.

MOTION: Council Member Campbell moved to recommend the appointment of Sheryl Ellis to the Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities to fill an unexpired term to expire August 31, 2017.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Lonergan.

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


Ayes: 3 - Campbell, Lonergan and Woodards
Absent: 1 - Strickland

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.



Victoria Woodards, Chair



Nicole Emery, City Clerk's Office