



City of Tacoma Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee Minutes

733 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 16

January 23, 2019

4:30 PM

Chair Ryan Mello, Vice Chair Anders Ibsen,
Chris Beale, Conor McCarthy, Lillian Hunter (alternate)

Call To Order

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

Present: 4 - Beale, Ibsen, McCarthy and Mello

Approval of Minutes

1. [19-0062](#) Approval of the Minutes of the January 9, 2019 Meeting

MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2019 meeting.

SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor McCarthy.

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

Ayes: 4 - Beale, Ibsen, McCarthy and Mello

Briefing Items

2. [19-0063](#) Status of the Southern Resident Killer Whales (Orcas) and Salmon Recovery [Laura Blackmore, Deputy Director, Puget Sound Partnership; James Parvey, Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability]

At approximately 4:33 p.m., Laura Blackmore, Deputy Director, Puget Sound Partnership, presented an update on the status of the Southern Resident Killer Whales (Orcas) and salmon recovery. She reviewed the causes of the population decline and the Orca Task Force implemented by Governor Jay Inslee to develop an action plan to recover the orca population.

Ms. Blackmore presented the Orca Task Force recommendations to increase prey, decrease vessel interference, and reduce the threat of contaminants. John Burk, Science and Engineering Division Assistant Manager, Environmental Services, and Anita Gallagher, Regional Relations Manager, Tacoma Public Utilities, outlined the next steps for the Orca Task Force, what cities can do, and what actions Tacoma is already taking.

Discussion ensued regarding educating the public, collaborating with other partners such as local tribes and non-profit organizations, and revitalizing local habitats and river passages.

3. [19-0064](#)

Detached Accessory Dwelling Unit Update
[Elliott Barnett, Senior Planner, Planning and Development Services]

At approximately 5:06 p.m., Brian Boudet, Planning Manager, Planning and Development Services (PDS), made introductory remarks regarding past discussion of the Detached Accessory Dwelling Unit (DADU) plan, and introduced Mia Navarro, Management Analyst III, Office of Equity and Human Rights. Ms. Navarro presented some equity considerations, historical instances of racial inequity in housing and future ADU/DADU considerations. Elliott Barnett, Senior Planner, PDS, provided a list of potential modifications to the proposal, including clarifying maximum size, reducing minimum lot width, defining green features for height bonus, clarifying parking access standards, updating design standards, owner occupancy, and affordability incentives.

Public Comment was heard from:

1. Carl Anderson, 909 North "I" Street
2. Beverly Bowen-Bennett, 4329 South Alder Street
3. Molly Nichols, 1522 North Oakes Street

Discussion ensued throughout regarding the Committee's recommendations on maximum size, defining green features for height bonus, clarifying parking access standards, updating design standards, owner occupancy, and affordability incentives.

MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to forward the Detached Accessory Dwelling Unit regulations to the full City Council for consideration.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Beale.

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

Ayes: 4 - Beale, Ibsen, McCarthy and Mello

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

4. [19-0065](#) February 13, 2019- iDEA School Permeable Pavement Project and Right of Way Residential Electric Vehicle Charging Program

Rebecca Boydston, Committee Liaison, stated the meeting of February 13, 2019 will include presentations on the iDEA School Permeable Pavement Project and the Right of Way Residential Electric Vehicle Charging Program.

Other Items of Interest

MOTION: Council Member Beale nominated Council Member Mello as Chair of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee for the year 2019.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.

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

Ayes: 4 - Beale, Ibsen, McCarthy and Mello

MOTION: Council Member Ibsen nominated Council Member Beale as Vice Chair of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee for the year 2019.

SECONDED BY: Chair Mello.

Chair Mello opened the floor to other nominations.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor McCarthy nominated himself for consideration for Vice Chair of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee for the year 2019.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Beale.

Discussion ensued on the qualifications of each candidate.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried on the nomination of Council Member Beale as Vice Chair of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee for the year 2019. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 4 - Beale, Ibsen, McCarthy and Mello

Public Comment

Public Comment was heard earlier in the meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Ryan Mello, Chair

Katie Foster, City Clerk's Office