



City of Tacoma Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee Minutes

733 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 16

January 28, 2015

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 4:34 p.m.

Present: 4 - Boe, Ibsen, Mello and Campbell

Absent: 1 - Walker

Approval of Minutes

15-0078 Approval of the minutes of January 14, 2015

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of January 14, 2015.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.

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

Ayes: 4 - Boe, Ibsen, Mello and Campbell

Absent: 1 - Walker

Briefing Items

2. 15-0069 Election of Officers for 2015

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to reappoint Council Member Mello as the Chair of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability (IPS) Committee.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.

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

Ayes: 4 - Boe, Ibsen, Mello and Campbell

Absent: 1 - Walker

MOTION: Council Member Ibsen moved to reappoint Deputy Mayor Boe as the Vice-Chair of the IPS Committee.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried with Council Member Campbell voting in opposition. The motion was adopted.

Ayes: 3 - Boe, Ibsen and Mello

Nays: 1 - Campbell

Absent: 1 - Walker

3. 15-0070

Tacoma Mall Subarea Plan

[Elliott Barnett, Associate Planner, Planning & Development Services]

At approximately 4:34 p.m., Brian Boudet, Planning and Development Services (PDS), provided opening remarks on the subarea planning process, and reviewed urban growth. Chris Beale, Planning Commission, provided background information on planning efforts. Elliott Barnett, (PDS), then reviewed the approach to area-specific planning, objectives, and identified priorities. He then reviewed the Tacoma Mall Center Subarea Plan, including the study area, land uses and zoning, transportation, housing, jobs, open space and schools, health equity, the public and stakeholder engagement process, and next steps. Mr. Barnett stated staff will schedule a walking tour for this Committee of the Tacoma Mall subarea. Jessica Knickerbocker, Environmental Services (ES), reviewed a stormwater study including watersheds, open spaces, and green infrastructure.

Deputy Mayor Boe requested staff include public safety in the identified priorities. Chair Mello requested staff include the area outlined in purple on the study area map in the study. Council Member Ibsen requested information regarding EB-5 funding and health equity opportunities within the Tacoma Mall subarea. Chair Mello requested staff review identified priorities with Tacoma2025. Discussion ensued regarding watershed grants, public safety, a walking and bicycling event to promote the area, public outreach efforts, population growth, typical work commutes for citizens living next to a large mall, grant funding, and stakeholder outreach.

Public comment was heard from John Miles, citizen, Tacoma Mall Subarea Plan.

Chair Mello requested staff review a South End Sound Transit station.

4. 15-0071 City of Tacoma Design Manual
[Jim Parvey, Senior Principal Engineer, Environmental Services]

At approximately 5:22 p.m., Jim Parvey, ES, provided background information on the Design Manual update process. Merita Trohimovich, ES, provided information on the update process, and reviewed low impact development standards, City departmental efforts, pavement standards, landscaping, and paths and trails. Mr. Barnett stated pavement standards will be available in the Tacoma Mall Subarea Plan. Raymond Van Der Roest, Public Works, reviewed roadway design, redefining existing chapters, and a new chapter regarding the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements. Mr. Barnett reviewed right-of-way and infrastructure standards, and incorporating Council policies. Mr. Parvey then reviewed the timeline for completion, public outreach, and next steps. Discussion ensued regarding topics covered in the manual, user-friendly language, pervious and impervious pavements, and ADA standards. Deputy Mayor Boe requested more clarity in areas of the City where ADA standards cannot be met.

5. 15-0072 Infrastructure, Planning & Sustainability Committee's 2014 End of Year Report
[Julie Stoltman, Management Analyst II, City Manager's Office]

At approximately 5:53 p.m., Julie Stoltman, City Manager's Office, provided an overview of the 45 items reviewed by the Committee in 2014. Deputy Mayor Boe requested information on how many hours the Committee spent on topics.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to approve the IPS Committee 2014 End of Year Report.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The report was adopted.

Ayes: 4 - Boe, Ibsen, Mello and Campbell

Absent: 1 - Walker

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

6. 15-0077 February 11, 2015 - Development Regulation Agreement for Point Defiance Park, TDR - LCIP, Rain Gardens Program

Ms. Stoltman stated the next meeting will be February 11, 2015 with presentations related to the development regulation agreement for Point Defiance Park, the transfer of development rights, and the Rain Gardens Program.

Other Items of Interest

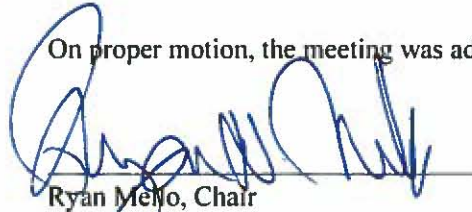
Council Member Ibsen requested information on the public outreach process for Tacoma Power's Integrated Resource Plan. Deputy Mayor Boe requested information on the tree planting in Washington State Department of Transportation right-of-ways.

Public Comment

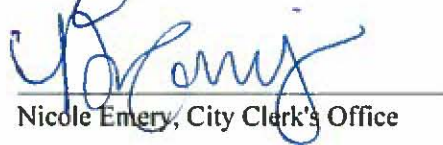
Public comment was heard earlier in the meeting.

Adjournment

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.



Ryan Melo, Chair



Nicole Emery, City Clerk's Office