



City of Tacoma

Community Vitality and Safety

Committee Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402, Conference Room 248
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June 27, 2024

4:30 PM

Vice Chair Sarah Rumbaugh, Jamika Scott, Kristina Walker,
John Hines (alternate)

Call To Order

Vice Chair Rumbaugh called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Rumbaugh, Hines and Walker

Absent: 1 - Scott

Deputy Mayor Hines participated virtually.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Briefing Items

1. [24-0678](#) Nuisance Code Review - Tacoma Municipal Code Chapter 8.30
[DeJa Irving, Code Compliance Supervisor, Neighborhood and Community Services]

At approximately 4:33 p.m., DeJa Irving, Code Compliance Supervisor, Neighborhood and Community Services, presented on Tacoma Municipal Code Chapter 8.30 regarding nuisance, including an overview, defining a public nuisance, current code, intent of review and update, stakeholder engagement, and timeline.

Discussion ensued regarding stakeholder engagement, availability of draft code review, final recommendations, creating an inspector handbook, and community engagement.

2. [24-0679](#) Anti-Displacement Strategy Update
[Ted Richardson, Strategic Initiatives Coordinator, Office of Strategy]

At approximately 4:48 p.m., Ted Richardson, Strategic Initiatives Coordinator, Office of Strategy, presented the Affordable Housing Anti-Displacement Strategy update, including an agenda; background; ongoing/existing work; work underway; priority potential future actions; preservation ordinance, noting high-cost investment for purchasing more nonprofit units for a higher impact; and community prioritization, noting more support for residents.

Discussion ensued regarding community prioritization; University of Washington Evans School of Public Policy and Governance report; preservation ordinance; funds available to residents; census tract; and permitting process.

3. [24-0681](#) Rental Housing Code Update
[Ted Richardson, Strategic Initiatives Coordinator, Office of Strategy; ChiQuata Elder, Landlord-Tenant Program Coordinator, Office of Equity and Human Rights]

At approximately 5:11 p.m., Richardson and ChiQuata Elder, Landlord-Tenant Program Coordinator, Office of Equity and Human Rights, together presented the Rental Housing Code update, including background; an overview of the phases of research; phase one, noting income to rent ratio and digital tenant information packet; phase two, noting landlord fairness code study, details, and timeline; and feedback.

Discussion ensued regarding digital tenant packet availability with translation options, qualitative and quantitative data, case management system update, request for further findings on what is causing the burden in the court systems and getting residents back into units they own.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

4. [24-0682](#) July 11, 2024 - Cancelled
July 25, 2024 - Youth and Young Adult Violence Reduction Update
August 8, 2024 - Cancelled

D'Angelo Baker, Committee Liaison, stated the July 11, 2024, meeting is cancelled; the July 25, 2024, meeting will include the Youth and Young Adult Violence Reduction update; and the August 8, 2024, meeting is cancelled.

Other Items of Interest

Deputy Mayor Hines suggested adding the election of the Committee's Chair and Vice Chair to the next meeting. Discussion ensued regarding the need to fill the youth member position on the Human Services Commission.

MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to recommend the reappointment of Addison Atkatsh to the “Youth Member” position on the Human Services Commission to serve a one-year term, retroactive to July 1, 2024, to expire June 30, 2025.

SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Hines.

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

Ayes: 3 - Rumbaugh, Hines and Walker

Absent: 1 - Scott

Adjournment

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

Sarah Rumbaugh, Vice Chair

Hollyann Piotrowski, City Clerk's Office