



# City of Tacoma Community Vitality and Safety Committee Minutes

747 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 248

March 08, 2018

4:30 PM

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Chair Keith Blocker, Vice Chair Catherine Ushka,  
Chris Beale, Justin Camarata, Lillian Hunter (alternate)

## Call To Order

Chair Blocker called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m.

**Present:** 3 - Beale, Blocker and Ushka

**Absent:** 1 - Thoms

Council Member Thoms was absent due to military leave.

## Approval of Minutes

1. [18-0207](#) Approval of the minutes of the February 8, 2018 meeting

**MOTION: Council Member Ushka moved to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2018 meeting.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Beale.**

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

**Ayes:** 3 - Beale, Blocker and Ushka

**Absent:** 1 - Thoms

Chair Blocker stated Item No. 3 regarding the 2017 Year-End Report for the Citizen Police Advisory Committee will be addressed first.

## Briefing Items

3. [18-0210](#) 2017 Year-End Report for Citizen Police Advisory Committee  
[Ryan Webster, Chair, Citizen Police Advisory Committee, and  
Michelle Franklin-Wilson, Vice-Chair, Citizen Police Advisory Committee]

At approximately 4:35 p.m., Ryan Webster, Chair, and Michelle Franklin-Wilson, Vice-Chair, Citizen Police Advisory Committee (CPAC), presented the 2017 CPAC year-end report, including the missions, noting policy review and advice to the Community Vitality and Safety Committee; the Police Department; and the Mayor's office, and outreach. Mr. Webster concluded on areas reviewed, 2017 scheduled meetings, 2017 accomplishments, an outline of priorities for 2018, and current vacancies.

2. [18-0209](#) Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs Interviews - Part 1  
[Doris Sorum, City Clerk]

At approximately 4:42 p.m., Doris Sorum, City Clerk, provided information regarding vacancies and terms on the Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs. She stated motions for recommendations will be held after the March 22, 2018 interviews and introduced Alison Beason, staff support for Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs, who is available should the Committee have any questions.

Ms. Beason provided the Committee with information regarding the Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs, noting the number of applications received, how many applicants were not eligible, and described how the candidates were narrowed down.

The Committee interviewed Clara Zamalloa, Diana Parra, Silong Chhun, George Conzuelo, Shannon Ergun, Jason Gamboa, Eunice Kalembo, Camila Maturana, Jefferson Mok, Hieu Nguyen, Karina Perez-Gonzalez, Maria Ramos, Manny Santiago, Alma Vargas, and Frederick Whang.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding interview time limits and residency in the city limits.

## Other Items of Interest

William Suarez, Committee Liaison, stated after his 2017 Community Vitality and Safety Committee (CVS) Annual Report presentation there was a request for a report showing the total number of items that were requests for actions brought to CVS, the number of requests that were forwarded to the full City Council, and how many were approved by the Council. Mr. Suarez provided the updated report to the Committee members by email and reviewed the numbers in detail.

Discussion ensued regarding the Closed Captioning Initiative.

## Topics for Upcoming Meetings

4. [18-0216](#) March 22, 2018 - Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority Board Interviews, Human Rights Commission Interviews, Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs Interviews - Part 2, and Program Year 2018-19 Community Development Block Grant, Home Investment Partnerships, and Emergency Solutions Grant Funding Recommendations for Annual Action Plan

April 12, 2018 - Human Services Commission Annual Report and Domestic Violence Assessment

Mr. Suarez stated the next meeting will be March 22, 2018, and will include part 2 of the Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs interviews, Human Rights Commission interviews, Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority Board interviews, and a presentation for the Program Year 2018-19 Community Development Block Grant, Home Investment Partnerships, and Emergency Solution Grant funding recommendations. The meeting of April 12, 2018 will include the Human Services Commission Annual Report and a presentation about the Domestic Violence assessment.

Discussion ensued regarding who conducts and coordinates the Domestic Violence assessment.

## Public Comment

There was no public Comment.

## **Adjournment**

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

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Keith Blocker, Chair

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Jessica Jenkins, City Clerk's Office