

City of Tacoma Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee Minutes

733 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 16

March 11, 2015

5:00 PM

Chair Ryan Mello, Vice Chair David Boe, Anders Ibsen, Lauren Walker, Marty Campbell (alternate)

SPECIAL MEETING

Call To Order

Vice Chair Boe called the special meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

Present: 3 - Boe, Ibsen and Walker

Absent: 1 - Mello

Approval of Minutes

1. 15-0238 Appro

Approval of the minutes of the meeting of February 25, 2015

MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to approve the minutes of the

meeting of February 25, 2015.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.

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

Ayes: 3 - Boe, Ibsen and Walker

Absent: 1 - Mello

Briefing Items

2. 15-0239

2015 Comp Plan Update-Land Use Designations [Stephen Atkinson, Associate Planner; Elliott Barnett, Associate Planner, Planning and Development Services]

At approximately 5:05 p.m., Stephen Atkinson, Planning and Development Services (PDS), reviewed land use designations, including background information on how designations are currently used, their relationship to housing, housing types and land areas, previous designation work, the land use

corridor approach, and maps of corridors and study areas. Elliott Fitzgerald, PDS, reviewed study areas, including the process, nodes, and focus elements. Mr. Atkinson continued to review study areas, including the 6th Avenue corridor, Pacific Avenue corridor, and convenience centers.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding determining land use designations, the relationship between land use designations and zoning, other jurisdictions comprehensive plans, affordable housing, study areas, historic housing overlay relative to land use designations, watersheds, convenience centers, upzoning tax incentives, community concerns regarding fair housing, walking distances in urban areas, parks and open space areas, changing the term center to node relative to convenience centers, neighborhood naming conventions, and hiring a public relations firm. Council Member Walker requested staff meet with Kroger/Safeway regarding keeping the Hilltop location open.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

 15-0240 March 25, 2015-Mixed Use Centers Review, EV Infrastructure for Multi-family Development Update, and Tacoma LINK Extension

Anita Gallagher, City Manager's Office, stated the next meeting is March 25, 2015 with presentations relative to a mixed-use centers review, electric vehicle infrastructure for multi-family development, and the Sound Transit Tacoma Link light rail extension.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Adjournment

On proper motion, the special meeting was adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

David Boe, Vice Chair

Nicole Emery, City Clerk's Office