



City of Tacoma

Public Safety, Human Services, and Education Committee Minutes

747 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 248

July 09, 2015

4:30 PM

Chair Victoria Woodards, Vice Chair Marty Campbell,
Mayor Marilyn Strickland, Joe Lonergan, Ryan Mello (alternate)

Call To Order

Chair Woodards called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

Present: 3 - Campbell, Woodards and Mello

Absent: 2 - Lonergan and Strickland

Council Member Thoms was also in attendance.

Approval of Minutes

- 1. [15-0700](#)** Approval of the minutes of April 23, 2015

MOTION: Council Member Campbell moved to approve the minutes of the April 23, 2015 meeting.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 3 - Campbell, Woodards and Mello

Absent: 2 - Lonergan and Strickland
- 2. [15-0701](#)** Approval of the minutes of May 28, 2015

MOTION: Council Member Campbell moved to approve the minutes of the May 28, 2015 meeting.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 3 - Campbell, Woodards and Mello

Absent: 2 - Lonergan and Strickland

Council Member Thoms provided brief comments regarding his support for Briefing Item 5, the Burglary Reduction Initiative.

Briefing Items

3. 15-0702 Eastside Community Center
[Mark Lauzier, City Manager's Office]

At approximately 4:38 p.m., Mark Lauzier, Assistant City Manager, presented a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) requested by the Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma that strengthens the City's planned financial support of the Eastside Community Center and gave a brief review of the MOU.

Discussion ensued regarding current bond, investment made by Metropolitan Park District, contributions of Tacoma Public Schools and Tacoma Housing Authority, and support of the MOU.

MOTION: Council Member Campbell moved to forward the Memorandum of Understanding to the full City Council for consideration.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 3 - Campbell, Woodards and Mello

Absent: 2 - Lonergan and Strickland

Chair Woodards stated that the next topic discussed would be Item 5.

5. 15-0704 Burglary Reduction Initiative
[Captain Taylor, Tacoma Police Department]

At approximately 4:48 p.m., Captain Charles Taylor and Assistant Chief Peter Cribbin, Tacoma Police Department (TPD), presented an overview of the Burglary Reduction Initiative, including the Tacoma Crime Control System, 2015 goals, property crime rate changes, decreases in residential and commercial burglary due to predictive policing, heat maps showing where burglaries occur, foundations of and approach used in the Burglary Reduction Initiative, entry methods used, burglary by sector, and what has been learned. Council Member Campbell requested data regarding number of arrests made versus number of charges filed. Chair Woodards requested that another presentation be made within the next six months, to include what has made the initiative successful, and what tools would be helpful to make the initiative more successful.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding analyzing data, defining burglaries and robberies, maximum penalties, pursuance of misdemeanors, cognizance of relationship with the Prosecutor's Office, resources, deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) testing, and number of first time offenders.

Chair Woodards stated that the next topic discussed would be Item 6.

6. [15-0705](#)

TFD Mid-Year Review
[Chief Duggan, Tacoma Fire Department]

At approximately 5:40 p.m., Chief James Duggan, Tacoma Fire Department (TFD) introduced Faith Mueller, Deputy Chief of Operations, and Allen Estes, Fire Battalion Chief. Chief Duggan then presented a mid-year review, including dispatched incidents, final situation incidents, statistics for 2015 Independence Day, initiatives including the All Hazards Plan/Fire Management Zones, the Business Inspection Program, and the Aluminum Wiring Safety Program. Chair Woodards requested a copy of the educational material sent to citizen's in regards to the Aluminum Wiring Safety Program, and would like to see statistics of homes built during that time. She also suggested showing information about the program on CityLine. Discussion ensued regarding sprinkler mandates, and loan programs.

Chief Duggan continued his presentation of initiatives including reducing non-emergency response dispatching, recruitment class and long-term recruitment strategy, and next steps. Discussion ensued regarding non-emergencies and diversity of recruits.

4. [15-0703](#)

TMC 1.06.075 - Citizen Review Panel Code Amendments
[Nadia Chandler Hardy, City Manager's Office]

At approximately 6:28 p.m., Nadia Chandler Hardy, City Manager's Office, presented an overview of proposed amendments to Tacoma Municipal Code 1.06.075 in regards to the Citizen Review Panel, including changing the name to the Citizen Police Advisory Committee, increasing the number of members from seven to eleven, consisting of one member from each Council District and six members from the general community, changing their function and purpose to give a stronger presence in the community, including allowing them to conduct conversations in the community regarding the Police Department and at least 40% of the Committee members to be from traditionally underrepresented communities or groups. Discussion ensued regarding members, language changes, youth and members from the mental health and domestic violence industries.

Chair Woodards requested that staff speak with the Citizen Review Panel and determine if they believe there is a particular group that's not being represented.

MOTION: Council Member Campbell moved to forward the proposed amendments to Tacoma Municipal Code 1.06.075 - Citizen Review Panel to the full City Council for consideration, pending conversation with the Citizen Review Panel regarding potential members, including youth and individuals from the mental health and domestic violence industries.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Mello.

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

Ayes: 3 - Campbell, Woodards and Mello

Absent: 2 - Lonergan and Strickland

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

7. [15-0706](#) July 23, 2015 - Youth Crisis Center Shelter, Commission on Disabilities Report, Washington State Patrol

Genesis Gavino, Committee Liaison, stated the next meeting will be held on July 23, 2015, and topics will include a presentation from the Youth Crisis Center Shelter, Commission on Disabilities Report, and Washington State Patrol.

Discussion ensued regarding the Youth Crisis Center Shelter. Council Member Mello requested to be present for the presentation by the Youth Crisis Center Shelter if the Mayor was unable to attend.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.



Victoria Woodards, Chair



Amanda Punsalan, City Clerk's Office