



# City of Tacoma

## Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee Minutes

747 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 248

**December 04, 2019**

**4:30 PM**

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Chair Ryan Mello, Vice Chair Chris Beale, Anders Ibsen,  
Conor McCarthy, Lillian Hunter (alternate)

### Call To Order

Chair Mello called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

**Present:** 4 - Beale, Ibsen, Mello and Hunter

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

### Briefing Items

1. [19-1364](#) Sustainable Tacoma Commission Interviews  
[Doris Sorum, City Clerk]

At approximately 4:32 p.m., Michelle Emery, Administrative Assistant, City Clerk's Office, stated there are four positions available on the Sustainable Tacoma Commission, including two newly-added positions that were adopted at the November 3, 2019 City Council meeting. She further stated the Committee interviewed three applicants at the November 6, 2019 meeting, and will now be interviewing four additional applicants for the vacancies on the Commission.

The Committee interviewed Elly Claus-McGahan, Tony Ivey, Gabe Moaalii, and Ashley Sloan.

Discussion ensued regarding the November 6, 2019 applicants, district representation, and applicants' qualifications.

**MOTION: Council Member Beale moved to recommend the appointment of Tony Ivey to the Sustainable Tacoma Commission to fill an unexpired term to expire April 30, 2021.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.**

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

**Ayes:** 4 - Beale, Ibsen, Mello and Hunter

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

**MOTION: Council Member Beale moved to recommend the appointment of Evlondo Cooper to the Sustainable Tacoma Commission to fill an unexpired term to expire April 30, 2022.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.**

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

**Ayes:** 3 - Beale, Ibsen and Mello

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

**Abstain:** 1 - Hunter

**MOTION: Council Member Beale moved to recommend the appointment of Ashley Sloan to the Sustainable Tacoma Commission to fill an unexpired term to expire April 30, 2023.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Hunter.**

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

**Ayes:** 4 - Beale, Ibsen, Mello and Hunter

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

**MOTION: Council Member Beale moved to recommend the appointment of Elly Claus-McGahan to the Sustainable Tacoma Commission to fill an unexpired term to expire April 30, 2023.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.**

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

**Ayes:** 4 - Beale, Ibsen, Mello and Hunter

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

**MOTION: Council Member Beale moved to recommend that David Thompson be placed on a bench in the event of an unanticipated opening to the Sustainable Tacoma Commission.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.**

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

**Ayes:** 3 - Beale, Ibsen and Mello

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

**Abstain:** 1 - Hunter

**MOTION: Council Member Beale moved to recommend that Gabe Moaalii be placed on a bench in the event of an unanticipated opening to the Sustainable Tacoma Commission.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.**

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

**Ayes:** 4 - Beale, Ibsen, Mello and Hunter

**Absent:** 1 - McCarthy

2. [19-1365](#) Healthy Homes, Healthy Neighborhoods Program Update  
[Kristi Lynett, Sustainability Officer, and Patrick Babbitt, Project Specialist;  
Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability]

At approximately 5:29 p.m., Kristi Lynett, Sustainability Officer, Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability (OEPS), made opening remarks and introduced Patrick Babbitt, Project Specialist, OEPS. Mr. Babbitt presented the Healthy Homes, Healthy Neighborhoods Program update, including an overview, program background, 2019 neighborhood demographic data, 2019 partners, community response, 2012-2019 outreach results, success, Eastside program challenges, and next steps.

Discussion ensued regarding the recommendation to place the program on hold, program challenges and concerns, building long-term social capital, amending Tacoma 2025 to add metrics for social capital, measurements of success, the value of door-to-door work, follow-up on the program, not letting the pause become permanent, next steps, engagement priorities, qualitative value, and considering residents' age for households reached.

## Topics for Upcoming Meetings

3. [19-1367](#) December 18 - Pierce Transit Update: Long Range Plan and Partnerships with the City;  
Construction Demolition Reuse and Recycling  
January 15 - Scooter and Bike Share Program Update & Next Steps;  
Neighborhood Engagement and Standards for Construction Projects Program Update

Claire Goodwin, Committee Liaison, stated the next meeting, on December 18, 2019, will begin at 3:00 p.m., and will include presentations on Pierce Transit's Long Range Plan and partnerships with the City, and incentivizing recycling construction materials.

## Other Items of Interest

Council Member Beale requested that staff prepare Pierce Transit for questions regarding how they are working with the City on roadway design and right of way improvements for the December 18, 2019 meeting.

Council Member Ibsen informed the Committee of a Government Performance and Finance Committee meeting item regarding Tacoma Public Utility and General Government discussions on potential financial assistance for affordable housing construction. He further stated that, although it focuses on the financial aspect, other planning and environmental implications will likely come before the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee.

## Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

## Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.



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Ryan Mello, Chair



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Katie Foster, City Clerk's Office