



City of Tacoma Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee Minutes

733 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 16

March 25, 2015

4:30 PM

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

Call To Order

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

Present: 4 - Boe, Ibsen, Mello and Campbell

Absent: 1 - Walker

Approval of Minutes

- 1. 15-0314** Approval of the minutes of the March 11, 2015 Special Meeting
MOTION: Deputy Mayor Boe moved to approve the minutes of the special meeting of March 11, 2015.
SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.
ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The minutes were approved.
Ayes: 4 - Boe, Ibsen, Mello and Campbell
Absent: 1 - Walker

Briefing Items

- 2. 15-0315** Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure for Multi-family Development Update [Jim Parvey, Manager, Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability, Environmental Services]

At approximately 4:35 p.m., Jim Parvey and Kristi Lynett, Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability, provided an update on the electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure for multi-family development, including past proposals, state initiatives, other codes relative to EV, the outreach process, proposed approach, potential benefits, and next steps.

Discussion ensued regarding incentives, electric code, state legislative EV goals, wireless charging, EV charging in historic districts, Washington State legislation relative to EV infrastructure, local symposiums, and charging prices at public charging sites. Deputy Mayor Boe requested staff review incentive types for Tacoma Public Utilities.

3. 15-0316 Tacoma Link Expansion Update
[Sue Comis, Project Manager for Tacoma Link, and Steve Kennedy, Senior Environmental Planner, Sound Transit]

At approximately 5:02 p.m., Sue Comis, Sound Transit, provided an overview of the Sound Transit Tacoma Link expansion, including a project and environmental review schedule, an expansion overview, benefits, ridership projections, funding sources, and the environmental decision process. Steve Kennedy, Sound Transit, reviewed the environmental review process, including studied environment elements. Ms. Comis then reviewed transportation funding, projected ridership by station, traffic projections, impacts on parking, and station locations. Discussion ensued regarding projected ridership by station, locations of stations, the relationship between transportation modes relative to freeway exits, integrating bicycle lanes, and transit integration.

Mr. Kennedy reviewed noise and vibration findings, views and visual character, visual simulations of proposed locations, property acquisitions, traction power substations, historic and cultural resources effects, and the general construction process. Ms. Comis concluded by reviewing community outreach. Discussion ensued regarding projected ridership and population growth, link car capacities, usage of additional cars, stop lengths, Puget Sound Regional Council growth targets, artwork, construction starting in 2018, and ways to accelerate the timeline for beginning construction. Chair Mello requested the Committee share their ideas regarding transportation with Mayor Strickland.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

4. 15-0317 April 8, 2015 - Comp Plan Update- Critical Areas, Mobility Master Plan Update, and Residential Parking Permit Program

Anita Gallagher, City Manager's Office, stated the next meeting is April 8, 2015 with presentations related to the Comprehensive Plan update, the Transportation Master Plan, and the Residential Parking Permit Program. Discussion ensued regarding a future presentation relative to interlocal agreements.

Other Items of Interest

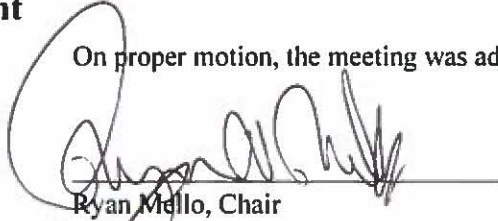
There were no other items of interest.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Adjournment

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:08 p.m.



Ryan Mello, Chair



Nicole Emery, City Clerk's Office