



City of Tacoma Neighborhoods and Housing Committee Minutes

747 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 248

December 15, 2014

4:30 PM

Chair Lauren Walker, Vice Chair Joe Lonergan,
David Boc, Anders Ibsen, Victoria Woodards (alternate)

Call To Order

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

Present: 3 - Boc, Ibsen and Walker

Absent: 1 - Lonergan

Council Member Lonergan arrived at 4:40 p.m.

Briefing Items

1. 14-1272 Analysis of Impediments
[Carey Jenkins, Community and Economic Development]

At approximately 4:35 p.m., Carey Jenkins, Community and Economic Development, provided an update on the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing (AI), including the purpose, current status, United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) changes, and violations of Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) requirements.

Council Member Lonergan arrived here, at 4:40 p.m.

Mr. Jenkins then reviewed the Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) and strategies, and equity and empowerment primary goals. Discussion ensued regarding HUD changes, including the major policy shift related to uniform data to be generated by HUD and used by local jurisdictions, AFFH, the impacts of replacing the AI with AFH, strategies for updating the Consolidated Plan and AI, and outreach efforts.

2. 14-1273 Single Family Residential Blight Abatement Program Update
[Carey Jenkins, Community and Economic Development]

Mr. Jenkins reviewed the Single Family Residential Blight Abatement Program, including the purpose, number of projects and committed funds, challenges, recommended next steps, and project photos. Council Member Boe stated it would have been nice to see photos before renovations occurred. Discussion ensued regarding next steps, fund balances, challenges, and program returns. Chair Walker requested information regarding when programs from the Attorney General will end.

Other Items of Interest

Genesis Gavino, City Manager's Office, stated there are no topics currently scheduled for the January 5, 2015 meeting. Chair Walker stated the Committee can review their 2014 year-end report and discuss 2015 goals and potential topics at the January 5, 2015 meeting. She then requested staff provide a draft of the 2014 year-end report for review prior to the meeting. Discussion ensued regarding whether Council Committee assignments would change in 2015.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:27 p.m.



Lauren Walker, Chair

Linnea Meredith, City Clerk's Office