



City of Tacoma Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee Minutes

733 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 16

February 22, 2017

4:30 PM

Chair Ryan Mello, Vice Chair Anders Ibsen,
Conor McCarthy, Robert Thoms, Keith Blocker (alternate)

Call To Order

Chair Mello called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.

Present: 3 - Mello, Ibsen and Blocker

Absent: 2 - McCarthy and Thoms

Council Member Blocker, alternate, was in attendance.

Approval of Minutes

1. [17-0215](#) Approval of the minutes of February 8, 2017

MOTION: Vice Chair Ibsen moved to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2017 meeting.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

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

Ayes: 3 - Mello, Ibsen and Blocker

Absent: 2 - McCarthy and Thoms

Briefing Items

2. [17-0212](#) Six Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program
[Diane Sheesley, Project Manager, Public Works]

At approximately 4:32 p.m., Diane Sheesley, Public Works, provided an overview of the Six Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program, including background; issues; projects to be removed; projects to be added, including East Portland Avenue safety improvements, Municipal Dock

deck demolition, and Hilltop and South Downtown pedestrian improvements. Jennifer Kammerzell, Public Works, continued discussing projects, including Pearl Street lighting and pedestrian improvements, school speed zone beacons, South Tacoma Way corridor safety improvements, grants received in 2016 or pending approval in 2017, and design for future grants. Ms. Sheesley concluded by discussing next steps.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding pedestrian improvements, cost savings, criteria used in choosing locations for school speed zone beacons, Puyallup Avenue design, the prioritization of projects, and Local Improvement District projects.

3. [17-0211](#) Street Occupancy Permit and Fee in Lieu for Off Site Improvements Update
[Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

At approximately 4:53 p.m., Peter Huffman, Planning and Development Services Director, provided an update on right-of-way occupancy permits and fee-in-lieu for offsite improvements, including background, permit summary, policy, insurance, commercial use fee, fiscal impact, fee-in-lieu offsite improvements, and next steps.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding insurance requirements, number of insurance claims, additional risk incurred based on level of insurance, permitting process, fee-in-lieu requirements, and residential sidewalks.

4. [17-0213](#) Occidental Update
[Mike Slevin, Director, Environmental Services, and Washington State Department of Ecology]

At approximately 5:26 p.m., John Burke, Environmental Services, provided brief opening remarks and introduced Kerry Graber, Washington State Department of Ecology, and Joel Massmann, Keta Waters. Ms. Graber provided an update on the Occidental Chemical Project, including site description, cleanup sites on Commencement Bay, current land use, historical sources of contamination, historical operations, early source control measures, solvent loss estimates, remedial investigation data points, sediment/porewater sampling 2016, feasibility study report, additional draft documents for review, and project timeline.

Discussion ensued regarding ownership of the property, public health concerns, fish and wildlife concerns, the restrictive covenant on the property, financial assurance requirements, and support for an aggressive cleanup option.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

5. [17-0214](#) March 8, 2017-Accident Potential Zone/JLUS, 2016 Annual IPS Report

Rebecca Boydston, Committee Liaison, stated the next meeting will be on March 8, 2017, and will include an update on the Joint Base Lewis-McChord Accident Potential Zone, and the 2016 Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee Annual Report.

Vice Chair Ibsen requested to hear an update on affordable housing policy. Discussion ensued regarding data for housing, and number of residents who are spending a majority of their income on housing.

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 6:06 p.m.



Ryan Mello, Chair



Amanda Punsalan, City Clerk's Office