



# City of Tacoma Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee Minutes

733 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 16

June 10, 2015

4:30 PM

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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 4:32 p.m.

**Present:** 3 - Mello, Walker and Campbell

**Absent:** 2 - Boe and Ibsen

## Approval of Minutes

- 1. [15-0609](#)** Approval of the minutes of the April 22, 2015 meeting

**MOTION:** Council Member Walker moved to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2015 meeting.

**SECONDED BY:** Council Member Campbell.

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

**Ayes:** 3 - Mello, Walker and Campbell

**Absent:** 2 - Boe and Ibsen
- 2. [15-0610](#)** Approval of the minutes of the May 13, 2015 meeting

**MOTION:** Council Member Walker moved to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2015 meeting.

**SECONDED BY:** Council Member Campbell.

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

**Ayes:** 3 - Mello, Walker and Campbell

**Absent:** 2 - Boe and Ibsen

## Briefing Items

3. [15-0611](#) Applicant Interview for Sustainable Tacoma Commission  
[Doris Sorum, City Clerk]

At approximately 4:36 p.m., Doris Sorum, City Clerk, reviewed the interview process for the available Sustainable Tacoma Commission position. The Committee interviewed Peter Hickman. Discussion ensued regarding the candidate's qualifications and the current needs of the Commission.

4. [15-0612](#) Transportation Master Plan  
[Joshua Diekmann, Assistant Division Manager, and Jennifer Kammerzell, Senior Engineer, Public Works Engineering]

At approximately 4:46 p.m., Joshua Diekmann, Assistant Engineering Division Manager, Public Works, and Jennifer Kammerzell, Senior Engineer, presented on the Transportation Master Plan. Mr. Diekmann began with an overview of the key accomplishments and findings of the goals and policies, land use and travel demand model, modal networks, concurrency and the adopted appendices. He stated the department received feedback on conflicted corridors and network priorities, prior plans and efforts, equity, funding and impact fees. Ms. Kammerzell reviewed items that are currently in process, including the Mobility Master Plan updates, project list and impact fee appendix which includes pedestrians, bicycles, public transit, car sharing, vanpools, and single occupancy vehicles. She stated the next steps are working on outcomes for new plans, including the Tacoma Mall subarea plan, implementation strategies for all modes, sidewalk inventory and missing link project list, pedestrian crossing and parking, and road side amenities. Council Member Walker requested staff include more pictures showing diversity.

Public comment was heard from Liz Caster with the Puyallup Water Shed Initiative Active Transportation Community of Interest and Jory Adkins with the Dome District Development Group.

5. [15-0613](#) Transfer of Development Rights Update  
[Ian Munce, Special Assistant to the Director, Planning and Development Services]

At approximately 5:29 p.m., Ian Munce, Special Assistant to the Director, Planning and Development Services, presented an update to the transfer of development rights. Mr. Munce proposed having City staff work with Pierce County to explore changes to the basic landscape conservation and local infrastructure program (LCLIP) that would lower the starting and threshold placement of transfer of development rights requirements through partnership. Discussion ensued regarding any necessary agreements.

Public comment was heard from Anna Boone with Forterra.

6. [15-0614](#)

Side Sewer Protection Options

[Dan Thompson, Division Manager, Business Operations, Environmental Services]

At approximately at 5:36 p.m., Dan Thompson, Division Manager, Business Operations, Environmental Services and Mike Slevin, P.E., Director, presented on the side sewer protection options. Mr. Slevin stated that many homeowners are unaware they are responsible for the maintenance of their lateral side sewer and private lateral side sewer repair can be a large and unanticipated expense. He discussed the sewer conservation loan program, which began in 2002. Mr. Thompson discussed the four options available, partnership, education, City ownership and maintain status quo. In conclusion, Mr. Thompson stated that City ownership of side sewers is expensive, requires all rate payers to pay, and requires significant increase in staffing. He noted partnered service line protection programs are expensive, voluntary, may yield a modest revenue stream to the City and expose the City to liability for performance if partnership is breached by either party. He stated private side sewer insurance is available and is less expensive and voluntary. Mr. Slevin recommended the promotion of private side sewer insurance and increase marketing and capitalization of the loan program. Discussion ensued regarding side sewer protection insurance and the loan program.

[15-0611](#)

Applicant Interview for Sustainable Tacoma Commission

[Doris Sorum, City Clerk]

**MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to recommend the appointment of Peter Hickman to the Sustainable Tacoma Commission to serve a three-year term to expire April 30, 2018.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Campbell.**

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

**Ayes: 3 - Mello, Walker and Campbell**

**Absent: 2 - Boe and Ibsen**

## Topics for Upcoming Meetings

7. [15-0615](#) June 24, 2015 - Applicant interviews for Planning Commission

Committee Liaison Anita Gallagher stated the next meeting is June 24, 2015 and will include applicant interviews for the Planning Commission. She added on July 8, 2015 will include live/work regulations and applicant interviews for the Transportation Commission.

## Other Items of Interest

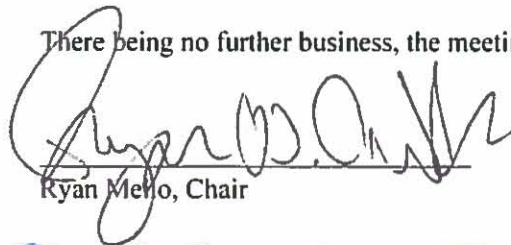
There were no other items of interest.

## Public Comment

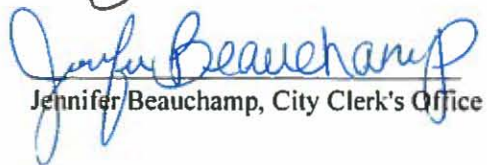
Public comment was heard earlier in the meeting.

## Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.



Ryan Melo, Chair



Jennifer Beauchamp, City Clerk's Office