



# Neighborhoods and Housing Committee Minutes

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Tacoma Municipal Building, Room 248, 747 Market Street, Tacoma, Washington 98402

August 4, 2014

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

Council Committee Members Present: Boe, Ibsen and Walker.

Council Committee Members Absent: Lonergan (arrived at 4:40 p.m.)

## **Approval of July 21, 2014 Minutes**

Chair Walker stated the approval of the July 21, 2014 meeting minutes would be deferred to the next meeting on August 18, 2014.

## **Single Family Development Efforts Panel Discussion**

At approximately 4:35 p.m., Assistant City Manager Tansy Hayward stated at the request of this committee, staff has prepared maps of recent addresses that have been impacted by four homeownership programs of the City of Tacoma, the Home Ownership Center, Habitat for Humanity, and Tacoma Housing Authority over the last five years. She stated staff has overlaid factors that might help to assess the positive impact investments have had on neighborhood quality of life factors, including crime and investments in building permits. She then stated representatives from the four programs will provide brief updates on their work including their perspectives on the impacts their programs are having on families they serve and the surrounding neighborhoods.

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

Ms. Hayward displayed maps for investments from 2008 to 2013; homeownership rate comparisons; crime maps for 2008 and 2013; and a correlation of building permits and home ownership investments. She then reviewed observations.

Carey Jenkins, Housing Division Manager, Community and Economic Development, reviewed statistics for 2013/2014 down payment assistance loans through the City of Tacoma. He then reviewed changes to the program this year.

Gary Andrew, Executive Director of the Homeownership Center of Tacoma, provided an update on the Homeownership Center of Tacoma and its clients.

Elliott Stockstad and Jennifer Nortrup, Habitat for Humanity, provided an update on Habitat for Humanity and its programs.

Michael Mirra, Executive Director, Tacoma Housing Authority (THA), provided an update on THA and its homeownership assistance and programs.

Discussion ensued regarding how the community organizations coordinate and avoid bidding against each other; and how the City can help with housing efforts.

**Topics for Upcoming Meetings**

Christina Watts, City Manager's Office, stated the next meeting is August 18, 2014 and tentative topics include an update on Land Use Code development regarding affordable housing, and a report on graffiti rapid removal.

**Other Items of Interest**

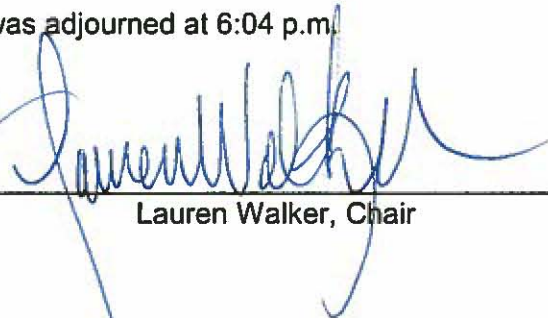
There were no other items of interest.

**Public Comment**

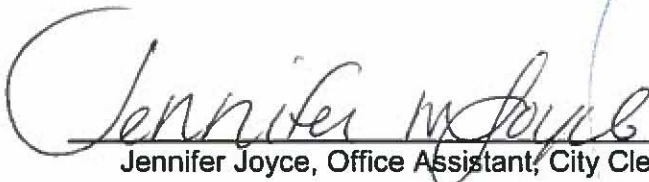
None.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:04 p.m.



Lauren Walker, Chair



Jennifer Joyce, Office Assistant, City Clerk's Office