



City of Tacoma

Community Vitality and Safety

Committee Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402, Conference Room 248
Dial: 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 859 6160 4917
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March 14, 2024

4:30 PM

Chair Catherine Ushka, Vice Chair Sarah Rumbaugh, Jamika Scott,
Kristina Walker, John Hines (alternate)

Call To Order

Vice Chair Rumbaugh called the meeting to order at 4:42 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Rumbaugh, Walker and Scott

Absent: 1 - Ushka

Council Member Scott participated virtually.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Approval of Minutes

1. [24-0258](#) Approval of the minutes of the May 11, 2023, meeting.
2. [24-0259](#) Approval of the minutes of the May 25, 2023, meeting.
3. [24-0257](#) Approval of the minutes of the June 8, 2023, meeting.

MOTION: Council Member Walker moved to approve the minutes of the May 11, through June 8, 2023, meetings.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Scott.

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

Ayes: 3 - Rumbaugh, Walker and Scott

Absent: 1 - Ushka

Briefing Items

4. [24-0254](#) 2024 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Urban Development Grant Programs [Felicia Medlen, Housing Division Manager, Community and Economic Development]

At approximately 4:44 p.m., Felicia Medlen, Housing Division Manager, Community and Economic Development (CED), provided a presentation on the 2024 Annual Action Plan, including 2024 grant allocations; Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) in support of housing, economic development, and public services, noting programs managed by CED and Neighborhood and Community Services (NCS); Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) allocation, and programs managed by NCS HOME Investment Partnerships Program allocations, noting funding for City of Tacoma and City of Lakewood housing programs; and next steps.

Discussion ensued regarding finalizing funding levels, process deadlines, direct negotiations with public, programs, considerations of inflation for funds; and how Lakewood and Tacoma work together for CDBG funding.

5. [24-0255](#) Community's Police Advisory Committee Update and Annual Report [Ted Richardson, Strategic Initiatives Coordinator, Office of Strategy]

At approximately 5:02 p.m., Ted Richardson, Strategic Initiatives Coordinator, Office of Strategy, provided a presentation on the Community's Police Advisory Committee (CPAC) 2024 review and update including an agenda; overview; 2023 accomplishments, noting an oversight recommendation, Lexipol policy review and published policies, and community outreach; 2024 goals and focus areas; and upcoming possible changes to the Committee, noting Mayor Woodards will become the Committee Liaison.

Discussion ensued regarding appreciation for CPAC members; youth position requirements and suggestions; funds; 2021 policing policies; public records request concerns; the request to shift to an oversight committee in 2024-2025; process of charging fees to CPAC; suggestion to adjust the wording of definitions within age groups; advisory oversight title break downs, auditor, and investigative model; and the process for updating policies with Lexipol.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

6. [24-0256](#) March 28, 2024 - Commission on Disabilities Annual Report;
Human Services Commission Annual Report
- April 11, 2024 - Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs Interviews;
Neighborhood Council Standards, Guidelines, and
Tacoma Municipal Code 1.45 Review
- April 25, 2024 - Issue Statement for the 2025-2026
Competitive Funding Process;
Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Sales
Tax Assessment

D'Angelo Baker, Committee Liaison, stated the next meeting will be on March 28, 2024, and will include the Tacoma Area Commissions on Disabilities annual report and the Human Services Commission annual report; the April 11, 2024, meeting will include Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs interviews, and the Neighborhood Council standards, guidelines, and the Tacoma Municipal Code 1.45 review; and the April 25, 2024, meeting will include an issue statement for the 2025-2026 competitive funding process, and the mental health and substance use disorder sales tax assessment.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

Catherine Ushka, Chair

Hollyann Piotrowski, City Clerk's Office