



City of Tacoma

Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee Minutes

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May 25, 2022

4:30 PM

Chair Kristina Walker, Vice Chair John Hines, Conor McCarthy
Catherine Ushka, Joe Bushnell (alternate)

Call To Order

Chair Walker called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Hines, Ushka and Walker

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

All Council Members participated virtually.

Briefing Items

1. [22-0571](#)

2022 Annual Amendment

[Stephen Atkinson, Principal Planner, Planning and Development Services]

At approximately 4:33 p.m., Stephen Atkinson, Principal Planner, Planning and Development Services (PDS), presented the 2022 Annual Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Regulatory Code, including an agenda; annual amendments, noting the Growth Management Act, the Comprehensive Plan, and the Tacoma Municipal Code; annual versus off-cycle amendments; the 2022 amendment docket; process and timeline; and community engagement. Atkinson further reviewed the individual applications and Planning Commission recommendations, including NewCold, South Sound Christian Schools, the South Tacoma Groundwater Protection District (STGPD) and Economic Green Zone (EGZ), the work plan for the STGPD and EGZ, and minor amendments; next steps; and the request for feedback from the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability (IPS) Committee.

Discussion ensued regarding residential densities, public open spaces, public schools green spaces, the sign code, the NewCold application goals, zoning in the proposed STGPD, and changes to the Municipal Code regarding two-family townhouse dwelling units.

2. [22-0573](#) Home in Tacoma Phase 2 Alternatives
[Elliott Barnett, Senior Planner, Planning and Development Services]

At approximately 5:22 p.m., Elliott Barnett, Senior Planner, PDS, presented the Home in Tacoma (HIT) Project Phase 2 alternatives, including meeting objectives; HIT Phase 2 scope; and project scoping input, noting the scoping process and community feedback. Barnett further reviewed the scoping elements, including what is in the draft scope, what they have heard from the community, and key decisions, noting zoning, infill standards, and affordability and anti-displacement; 2021-2022 Affordable Housing Action Strategy action teams; anti-displacement work being done; related policy efforts; project milestones; the potential work approach for the City Council and standing committees work approach; and the proposed schedule for IPS Committee review.

Discussion ensued regarding community outreach and the timeline for the project.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

3. [22-0574](#) June 8, 2022 - Historic Districts in Tacoma; Urban Design Project Phase 1;
Intro Conversation on the Planning Work Program
June 22, 2022 - South Tacoma Economic Green Zones; Capital Facilities Program
July 13, 2022 - Home In Tacoma Phase 2 Topics; Vision Zero Action Plan;
Historic Preservation, Mixed Use Centers, and Demolition Review

This item was not addressed.

Other Items of Interest

This item was not addressed.

Public Comment

4. [22-0624](#) Written Comment

This item was not addressed.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

Kristina Walker, Chair

Katie Foster, City Clerk's Office