



City of Tacoma

Community Vitality and Safety

Committee Minutes

733 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 16

August 23, 2018

4:30 PM

Chair Keith Blocker, Vice Chair Catherine Ushka,
Chris Beale, Justin Camarata, Lillian Hunter (alternate)

Change of Location

Call To Order

Vice Chair Ushka called the meeting to order at 4:36 p.m.

Present: 4 - Beale, Blocker, Camarata and Ushka

Chair Blocker participated telephonically.

Briefing Items

1. [18-0968](#)

Tenant Rights

[ChiQuata Elder, Landlord-Tenant/Crime Free Housing Coordinator, Office of Equity and Human Rights; Debra Casparian, Deputy City Attorney, City Attorney's Office]

At approximately 4:36 p.m., Andreta Armstrong, Program Manager, Office of Equity and Human Rights, stated staff is requesting to extend the prohibitions relating to temporary protections contained in Amended Ordinance No. 28508, from September 30, 2018 to October 31, 2018. She further stated this action will allow staff enough time to continue working on the Tenant Rights Code and provided information on the legislation process, including stakeholders' feedback, draft language, timeline, and next steps.

Discussion ensued regarding clarification on staff's request and the extended date.

The Committee reached a general consensus on forwarding staff's request to the full City Council.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

2. [18-0970](#) September 13, 2018 - Update to Minimum Building and Structures Code regarding receivership, and Washington State Department of Correction's Earned Release Date Housing Voucher Program
September 27, 2018 - Neighborhood Council Program

William Suarez, Committee Liaison, stated the next meeting will be on September 13, 2018, and will include an update to Minimum Building and Structures Code regarding receivership and the Washington State Department of Correction's Earned Release Date Housing Voucher Program. He further stated the meeting on September 27, 2018 will include the Neighborhood Council Program and tenant rights.

Discussion ensued regarding the intent of the Neighborhood Council Program presentation, how often the Council reviews the program, and which Standing Committee will be updated on the Business District Program.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Public Comment

Public Comment was heard from:

1. Monica Klavano, 10214 Lakeview Avenue Southwest.
2. Alex Christman, 2315 Westbridge Avenue.
3. Kathy Lawhon, 1114 South 11th Street #417.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

Keith Blocker, Chair

Sola Wingenbach, City Clerk's Office