



# City of Tacoma Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee Minutes

733 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 16

January 09, 2019

4:30 PM

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Chair Ryan Mello, Vice Chair Anders Ibsen,  
Chris Beale, Conor McCarthy, Lillian Hunter (alternate)

## Call To Order

Chair Mello called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m.

**Present:** 3 - Beale, Hunter and Mello

**Absent:** 2 - Ibsen and McCarthy

Doris Sorum, City Clerk, introduced Katie Foster, Office Assistant, City Clerk's Office. Ms. Sorum stated Ms. Foster will be staffing City Council Standing Committees and reviewed her background.

## Approval of Minutes

1. [19-0009](#) Approval of the Minutes of the December 6, 2018 Special Meeting
2. [19-0010](#) Approval of the Minutes of the December 12, 2018 Special Meeting

**MOTION:** Council Member Hunter moved to approve the minutes of the December 6, and December 12, 2018 meetings.

**SECONDED BY:** Council Member Beale.

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

**Ayes:** 3 - Beale, Hunter and Mello

**Absent:** 2 - Ibsen and McCarthy

## Briefing Items

3. [19-0011](#) Renaming Marine Park to “Judge Jack Tanner Park”  
[Reuben McKnight, Historic Preservation Officer, Planning and Development Services]

At approximately 4:36 p.m., Reuben McKnight, Historic Preservation Officer, Planning and Development Services (PDS), introduced Hunter George, Chief Communications and Public Affairs Officer, Metro Parks, and presented a recommendation to rename Marine Park to Judge Jack Tanner Park, noting background, requirements, information about Judge Jack Tanner, next steps, and location of the park. Mr. George concluded by providing context of the request to rename the park.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding the location of the park and the request for a resolution.

**MOTION: Council Member Hunter moved to support and recommend the renaming of Marine Park to Judge Jack Tanner Park to the full City Council for consideration.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Beale.**

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

**Ayes:** 3 - Beale, Hunter and Mello

**Absent:** 2 - Ibsen and McCarthy

4. [19-0012](#) Open Space Current Use Assessment  
[Larry Harala, Associate Planner, Planning and Development Services]

At approximately 4:43 p.m., Larry Harala, Associate Planner, PDS, made opening remarks and presented the Open Space Current Use Assessment, including an overview; background; an application received, noting details of the site location; the Public Benefit Rating System, including scoring criteria and a required joint meeting for final approval with a committee comprised of three members of each of the City Council and Pierce County Council; and the health, equity, and sustainability analysis. He concluded by reviewing the outreach, process, next steps, and recommendations.

Discussion ensued regarding if there will be public access to the site and how much it would reduce the property tax.

**MOTION: Council Member Hunter moved to support and recommend the proposal for the Open Space Current Use Assessment to the full City Council for consideration.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Beale.**

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

**Ayes:** 3 - Beale, Hunter and Mello

**Absent:** 2 - Ibsen and McCarthy

Discussion concluded on bringing the committees of the City Council and Pierce County Council together for the joint meeting, and if a joint meeting is necessary to have the Mayor designate an ad hoc group to determine next steps.

5. [19-0013](#)

Bring Your Own Bag Implementation

[Leah Michaelson, Project Specialist; Kristi Lynett, Sustainability Officer, Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability]

At approximately 4:56, Kristi Lynett, Sustainability Officer, Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability (OEPS), made opening remarks and introduced Leah Michaelson, Project Specialist, OEPS. Ms. Michaelson presented results from Bring Your Own Bag (BYOB) ordinance surveys, including background, noting Tacoma Municipal Code 12.09.215, main elements of the law, and Ordinance No. 28367 requirements; and details of the retailer survey, including the design of the questions, the number retailers the survey was mailed to, total number of responses and how many reported giving out paper bags, survey results from the retailers that gave out paper bags, key points from a pre-ordinance survey, response from the 2018 survey, supportive and critical comments received, and feedback received. She concluded by reviewing issues; details of the customer survey, including details of the grocery store locations, an incentive provided, survey questions and comments, and results from two questions on the survey; the health, equity, and sustainability analysis; and recommendations and next steps.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding the retailer survey, lessons learned from the implementation of the BYOB Ordinance in regards to what could be done differently or other recommendations, and ideas for future retailer survey questions.

## Topics for Upcoming Meetings

6. [19-0014](#) January 23, 2019 - Orcas/Salmon, Detached Accessory Dwelling Units Update

Rebecca Boydston, Committee Liaison, stated the meeting of January 23, 2019 will include a presentation on the State's Orca and Salmon recovery efforts and an update on Detached Accessory Dwelling Units.

## Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

## Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

## Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

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Ryan Mello, Chair

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Jessica Jenkins, City Clerk's Office