



City of Tacoma Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee Minutes

747 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 248

November 20, 2019

4:30 PM

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

Call To Order

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

Present: 4 - Beale, Ibsen, McCarthy and Mello

Approval of Minutes

- 1 [19-1319](#) Approval of the minutes of the October 2, 2019 meeting.
- 2 [19-1320](#) Approval of the minutes of the October 16, 2019 meeting.

MOTION: Council Member Beale moved to approve the minutes of the October 2, 2019 and October 16, 2019 meetings.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.

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

Ayes: 4 - Beale, Ibsen, McCarthy and Mello

Briefing Items

- 3 [19-1321](#) Landmarks Preservation Commission Interviews
[Doris Sorum, City Clerk]

At approximately 4:36 p.m., Michelle Emery, Administrative Assistant, City Clerk's Office, informed the Committee they will be interviewing eight applicants to fill six vacant positions on the Landmarks Preservation Commission, but that none of the applicants qualified for the

"Architect No. 3" position. She further stated that Jeff Williams was seeking reappointment and had provided written response.

The Committee interviewed Deborah Cade, Ronald Babb, and Jonathan Hart.

The Committee convened to a recess at 5:00 p.m.

The Committee reconvened at 5:02 p.m.

The Committee interviewed Sarah Hilsendeger, Leah Jaggars, Leslie Strom, John Vlahovich, and Carlton Metz.

The Committee interviewed Carlton Metz telephonically.

Discussion ensued regarding candidates' qualifications.

MOTION: Council Member Beale moved to recommend the reappointment of Jeff Williams to the "Professional No. 2" position to serve a three-year term, effective January 1, 2020, to expire December 31, 2022.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.

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

Ayes: 3 - Beale, Ibsen and Mello

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

MOTION: Council Member Beale moved to recommend the appointment of Deborah Cade to the "North Slope Ex Officio" position to serve a four-year term, effective January 1, 2020, to expire December 31, 2023.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.

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

Ayes: 3 - Beale, Ibsen and Mello

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

MOTION: Council Member Beale moved to recommend the appointment of Leah Jaggars to the "Wedge Neighborhood Ex Officio" position to serve a four-year term effective January 1, 2020, to expire December 31, 2023.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.

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

Ayes: 3 - Beale, Ibsen and Mello

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

MOTION: Council Member Beale moved to recommend the appointment of Jonathan Hart to the "Professional No. 1" position to fill an unexpired term, to expire December 31, 2019, followed by a three-year term, to expire December 31, 2022.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.

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

Ayes: 3 - Beale, Ibsen and Mello

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

MOTION: Council Member Beale moved to recommend the appointment of Sarah Hilsendeger to the "At-Large No. 4" position to serve a three-year term, effective January 1, 2020, to expire December 31, 2022.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.

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

Ayes: 3 - Beale, Ibsen and Mello

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

- 4 [19-1322](#) Urban Forest Management Plan
[Jim Parvey, Division Manager; Mike Carey, Urban Forest Program Manager,
Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability]

At approximately 5:46 p.m., Jim Parvey, Division Manager, Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability (OEPS) made opening remarks. Mike Carey, Urban Forest Program Manager, OEPS, presented the Urban Forest Management Plan, phase two, including agenda, overview, framework, layout and timetable, and next steps.

Chris Peiffer, Director of Urban Forestry Consulting Services, PlanIT Geo, presented the action summary goals, noting management policy, capacity and training, funding and authority, inventory and planning, risk and disaster management, and community engagement.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding the resolution coming to the City Council meeting on December 3, 2019, number of trees planted in Tacoma neighborhoods, time needed to align tree protection and design standards in TMC 13.06.502.E, contracting with a nonprofit group in the area, maintenance corridors for trees, prioritizing census tracks for planting corridors, and next steps.

MOTION: Council Member Beale moved to forward the Urban Forest Management Plan to the full City Council for consideration.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.

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

Ayes: 3 - Beale, Ibsen and Mello

Absent: 1 - McCarthy

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

- 5 [19-1323](#) December 4, 2019 - Sustainable Tacoma Commission Interviews; Healthy Homes, Healthy Neighborhoods

Claire Goodwin, Committee Liaison, stated that the next meeting will be on December 4, 2019, and will include Sustainable Tacoma Commission interviews and the Healthy Homes, Healthy Neighborhoods program update. She further stated the December 18, 2019 meeting will include updates on the Pierce Transit long range plan, Bus Rapid Transit (BRT), and construction material recycling.

Discussion ensued regarding the BRT, bringing more individuals in to contribute to the conversation, and scheduling for the next meeting.

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 6:25 p.m.

Ryan Mello, Chair

Katie Foster, City Clerk's Office