



City of Tacoma Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee Minutes

747 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 248

December 18, 2019

3:00 PM

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

SPECIAL MEETING

Call To Order

Chair Mello called the special meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

Present: 4 - Beale, Ibsen, McCarthy and Mello

Approval of Minutes

1. [19-1454](#) Approval of the minutes of the November 6, 2019 meeting
2. [19-1455](#) Approval of the minutes of the November 20, 2019 meeting
3. [19-1456](#) Approval of the minutes of the December 4, 2019 meeting

MOTION: Council Member Beale moved to approve the minutes of the November 6, 2019; November 20, 2019; and December 4, 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

4. [19-1457](#) Pacific Avenue Corridor Planning Update
[Brian Boudet, Division Manager, Planning and Development Services; Ryan Wheaton, Executive Director of Planning and Community Development; Sean Robertson, Senior Construction Project Manager, Pierce Transit]

At approximately 3:02 p.m., Alexandra Mather, Government and Community Relations Officer, Pierce Transit (PT), introduced Ryan Wheaton, Executive Director of Planning and Community Development, PT, and Sean Robertson, Senior Construction Project Manager, PT. Mr. Wheaton presented the Pacific Avenue Corridor Planning and Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) updates, including managing tax payer dollars; recent PT history; a transit service survey; a three-pronged approach to transit service, noting maintenance, increases, and expansion; building the transit community, noting possible enhancements and the BRT; community input; and the Long Range Plan update.

Discussion ensued regarding bus stop improvements, ridership goals for the City and the county; ORCA card usage; organizing growth around transit corridors; federal funding; and the differences between using electric, gas, and diesel busses.

At approximately 3:27 p.m., Mr. Robertson presented the RideBRT design update, including the locally preferred alternative, project schedule, partner agreement, corridor sub-area plan, National Environmental Policy Act schedule, transit signal priority, communication design, intersection control evaluation, study for the locally preferred alternative refinement, and branding and stations.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding funding from Pierce Transit, public outreach, timeline for outreach, agreements between the City and Sound Transit, Federal Transit Authority funds, incentivising affordable growth, and branding the BRT.

5. [19-1458](#) Construction and Demolition Waste Diversion
[Beth Jarot, Green Building Specialist; Jim Parvey, Division Manager, Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability; Lewis Griffith, Solid Waste Management Division Manager, Environmental Services]

At approximately 4:24 p.m., Jim Parvey, Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability (OEPS) Division Manager, Environmental Services (ES), introduced Beth Jarot, Green Building Specialist, OEPS, and Lewis Griffith,

Solid Waste Management Division Manager, ES. Together, they presented the construction and waste diversion, including background, noting policy goals, 2009 and 2015 waste composition study data, the City of Tacoma permits for 2019, and current construction and demolition (C and D) markets; issues; education and outreach, noting websites, C and D reuse and recycling printed card, Planning and Development Services tip sheets, City-hosted events, and partnerships; the health, equity, and sustainability analysis; and next steps.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding other committees, nails and paint on wood waste, uses for wood waste, and waste reduction goals.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

6. [19-1459](#) January 1, 2020 - Cancelled

Claire Goodwin, Committee Liaison, stated that the January 1, 2020 meeting was cancelled and the January 15, 2020 meeting will include an update on the scooter and bike share program. She further stated that a possible update on underground storage tanks with the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department and 5G deployment may be brought before the Committee in February.

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 special meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Ryan Mello, Chair

Katie Foster, City Clerk's Office