



City of Tacoma Community Vitality and Safety Committee Minutes

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Webinar Link: www.zoom.us/j/82370106303

September 24, 2020

4:30 PM

Chair Keith Blocker, Vice Chair Catherine Ushka,
Chris Beale, John Hines, Lillian Hunter (alternate)

Call To Order

Vice Chair Ushka called the meeting to order at 4:37 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Beale, Hines and Ushka

Absent: 1 - Blocker

All Council Members participated virtually.

Approval of Minutes

1. [20-0627](#) Approval of the minutes of the September 10, 2020, meeting

MOTION: Council Member Beale moved to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2020, meeting.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Hines.

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

Ayes: 3 - Beale, Hines and Ushka

Absent: 1 - Blocker

Briefing Items

2. [20-0624](#) South Sound Housing Affordability Partners
[John Howell, Founding Partner, Cedar River Group]

At approximately 4:38 p.m., John Howell, Founding Partner, Cedar River Group, presented an update on the South Sound Housing Affordability Partners (SSHAP), including SSHAP background; the purpose of the Cedar River Group interviews; Pierce County housing market headlines; changes in median housing sale prices in Pierce County, King County, and nationally; changes in median housing rental prices in Pierce County, King County, and nationally; and housing unaffordability impacts, noting homelessness, transportation, vibrant communities, and health and education.

Discussion ensued regarding interview questions, responses, and next steps.

3. [20-0625](#) Community Trauma Response Team Project Update
[Tanisha Jumper, Director, Media and Communications; Linda Stewart, Director, Neighborhood and Community Services]

At approximately 5:21 p.m., Tanisha Jumper, Director, Media and Communications Office, presented background information regarding Community's Police Advisory Committee (CPAC) and the Community Trauma Response Team (CTRT), noting the original concept and intent of the CTRT, and the request for proposal (RFP). Linda Stewart, Director, Neighborhood and Community Services, provided information on what CPAC and the community needs for the CTRT, the development of the RFP, the vendor response, the CTRT model, vendor negotiations, concerns regarding overlapping services, a timeline, and next steps. Ms. Jumper concluded by reviewing the services of the Pierce County Chaplaincy program.

Discussion ensued regarding the change of the intent of a CTRT, different types of CTRTs, difficulties with obtaining data about the Chaplaincy program, and next steps.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

4. [20-0626](#) October 8, 2020 - Domestic Violence Strategic Alliance update, Community's Police Advisory Committee annual report
October 22, 2020 - Interviews for the Tacoma Area Commission on Disabilities

Vice Chair Ushka stated the next meeting will be on October 8, 2020, and will include presentations on the Domestic Violence Strategic Alliance and the CPAC annual report.

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 5:45 p.m.



Keith Blocker, Chair



Mary Crabtree, City Clerk's Office