



City of Tacoma Community Vitality and Safety Committee Minutes

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February 11, 2021

4:30 PM

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

Call To Order

Chair Ushka called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Blocker, Hines and Ushka

Absent: 1 - Beale

All Council Members participated virtually.

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Linda Stewart, Executive Liaison, introduced Eugene Mustin, International City/County Management Association Veteran’s Fellow, City Manager’s Office.

Briefing Items

1. [21-0153](#) Community's Police Advisory Committee Update
[Bucoda Warren, Strategic Initiatives Coordinator, Media and Communications Office; Stephen Hagberg, Chair, Community’s Police Advisory Committee]

At approximately 4:36 p.m., Bucoda Warren, Strategic Initiatives Coordinator, Media and Communications Office, introduced Stephen Hagberg, Chair, Community’s Police Advisory Committee (CPAC), and provided an overview of the CPAC retreat on February 6, 2021. Mr. Hagberg outlined the work completed during the retreat, including issues, noting creating relationships with Project Partnering for Equity and Community Engagement (PEACE), the Core Coordinating Team, and the National Network for Safe Communities; and reviewing and monitoring the current complaint process, use of force policies, CPAC bylaws, the Body Worn Cameras Program, the Community Trauma Response Team, and oversight models in Washington and nationally. Mr. Hagberg concluded by

reviewing next steps.

Discussion ensued regarding appreciation for CPAC, the review of oversight models in Washington State and nationally, creating a relationship with Project PEACE, the Core Coordinating Team, the National Network for Safe Communities, the Community Trauma Response Team, community outreach and feedback during the pandemic, and getting an update on upcoming policy decisions.

2. [21-0147](#) Neighborhood and Community Services 2020 Year in Review
[Allyson Griffith, Assistant Director, Neighborhood and Community Services]

At approximately 4:53 p.m., Allyson Griffith, Assistant Director, Neighborhood and Community Services (NCS), introduced Vicky McLaurin, Community Services Manager; Erica Azcueta, Homelessness and Household Stability Program Manager; and Keith Williams, Code Inspector Supervisor, NCS; and presented NCS's 2020 year in review, including an overview; the department scope; addressing COVID-19, noting compliance, resource allocation and management, and community and human services; and expectations for 2021, noting steps to operationalize Resolution No. 40622 regarding systems transformation.

Discussion ensued regarding appreciation for NCS, Code Compliance resources and backlog, the Tacoma emergency micro-shelter sites, the expansion of the Purple Bag Program, code enforcement violations and citations, digital infrastructure, shelter bed capacity versus homeless population, the Pierce County Homeless Point-in-Time count, recovery projections, the Beacon Activity Center, small business contractors, sanitation issues, and the importance and extent of NCS's work.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

3. [21-0145](#) February 25, 2021 - Interviews for the Human Rights Commission
March 11, 2021 - Interviews for the Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority Board

Ted Richardson, Committee Liaison, stated the next meeting will be on February 25, 2021, and will include interviews for the Human Rights Commission; and the March 11, 2021, meeting will include interviews for the Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority Board.

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.

Catherine Ushka, Chair

Mary Crabtree, City Clerk's Office