



# City of Tacoma

## Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402, Conference Room 248

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**November 30, 2022**

**4:30 PM**

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Chair Kristina Walker, Vice Chair John Hines, Olgy Diaz,  
Catherine Ushka, Joe Bushnell (alternate)

### SPECIAL MEETING

#### Call To Order

Chair Walker called the special meeting to order at 4:36 p.m.

#### Roll Call

**Present:** 3 - Bushnell, Hines, and Walker

**Absent:** 2 - Diaz and Ushka

All Council Members participated virtually.

#### Approval of Minutes

1. [22-1316](#) Approval of the minutes of the August 24, 2022, meeting.
2. [22-1317](#) Approval of the minutes of the September 14, 2022, meeting.
3. [22-1318](#) Approval of the minutes of the September 28, 2022, meeting.
4. [22-1319](#) Approval of the minutes of the October 12, 2022, meeting.

**MOTION: Vice Chair Hines moved to approve the minutes of the August 24, September 14, September 28, and October 12, 2022, meetings.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Bushnell.**

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

**Ayes:** 3 - Bushnell, Hines, and Walker

**Absent:** 2 - Diaz and Ushka

## Briefing Items

5. [22-1295](#) South Tacoma Groundwater Protection District - Consideration of a Moratorium [Stephen Atkinson, Principal Planner, Planning and Development Services]

At approximately 4:40 p.m., Stephen Atkinson, Principal Planner, Planning and Development Services, presented the proposed moratorium for the South Tacoma Groundwater Protection District (STGPD), including the Planning Commission's (PC) recommendations, noting reasons for a moratorium, suggested duration, and the work plan; and the potential schedule.

Discussion ensued regarding the PC's recommendations; service and repair for both regular and industrial vehicles; current regulations; metal recycling and auto wrecking; building a canopy in the stormwater runoff areas; possible effects of implementing the moratorium; site improvements allowed under the moratorium; underground storage tanks, noting maintenance, replacement, and improvements and upgrades allowed; and next steps.

**MOTION: Vice Chair Hines moved to forward the Planning Commission's recommendations regarding a moratorium on certain uses within the South Tacoma Groundwater Protection District, not to include vehicle service and repair and industrial vehicle service and repair, and to also consider language around potential replacements or improvements to underground tanks that will promote environmental protection, to the full City Council for consideration.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Bushnell.**

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

**Ayes:** 3 - Bushnell, Hines, and Walker

**Absent:** 2 - Diaz and Ushka

## Topics for Upcoming Meetings

6. [22-1296](#) December 14, 2022 - Cancelled  
December 28, 2022 - Cancelled  
January 11, 2023 - Neighborhood Planning Program Update;  
Climate Action Plan Update  
January 25, 2023 - Home in Tacoma Project Phase 2;  
2023 Annual Amendments Update

Cathy Sims, Committee Liaison, stated that the December 14 and December 28, 2022, meetings have been cancelled and that the January 11, 2023, meeting will include updates on the neighborhood planning program and the Climate Action Plan.

## Public Comment

7. [22-1353](#) Written Comment

The Committee received one written comment regarding the STGPD moratorium.

Public Comment was heard from:

1. Heidi Stephens, speaking on the STGPD moratorium.

## Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.



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Kristina Walker, Chair



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Katie Foster, City Clerk's Office