



City of Tacoma

Committee of the Whole Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402, Council Chambers

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March 07, 2023

3:00 PM

SPECIAL MEETING

Call To Order

Mayor Woodards called the special meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 8 - Bushnell, Daniels, Diaz, Hines, Rumbaugh, Ushka, Walker and Woodards

Absent: 1 - Blocker

Briefing Item

1. [23-0242](#) 2023 City Council Workshop Review and Follow-up

At approximately 3:04 p.m., Jacques Colon, Chief Strategy Officer, Office of Strategy, presented a review and follow-up of the February 10, 2023, City Council workshop, including objectives; an overview; City Council priority area definitions; and the concepts of policy, platform, partnership, and program. He continued by leading a discussion on priority areas and groupings, and requested feedback on the actions listed, and whether they support them or would like to take leadership on specific actions.

Discussion ensued regarding the scope and format of discussions, noting the process to assign names to specific actions; and the role of City Council standing committees.

Discussion continued regarding policy items and related actions, including safety; health; housing and homelessness, noting a request to add a policy to address homeownership disparities; livable wage jobs; access to facilities and services; and belief and trust.

Discussion continued regarding platform items and related actions, including housing and homelessness, noting a request to add advocating for funding to provide options for those coming out of the criminal justice and mental

health systems; livable wage jobs; health; safety; access to facilities and services; and belief and trust.

Discussion continued regarding partnership items and related actions, including safety; access to facilities and services; health; belief and trust; housing and homelessness; and livable wage jobs.

Discussion continued regarding programs, noting staff responsibilities; possible impacts on budget priorities; suggestions to shift actions to different priority areas; and actions related to safety, health, belief and trust, housing and homelessness, livable wage jobs, and access to facilities and services.

Colon concluded by reviewing next steps, including reflections on today's discussions; future administrative actions; and a request for Council Members to let staff know what additional support they need.

Discussion ensued regarding staff support, the overall process, prioritizing and tracking actions, relationship to the mid-biennial budget modification process, and the roles of City Council standing committees and individual Council Members.

Adjournment

On proper motion, the special meeting was adjourned at 4:27 p.m.


Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor


Doris Sorum, City Clerk

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