



# City of Tacoma

## Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee Minutes

747 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402

Conference Room 248

February 19, 2020

4:30 PM

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Chair Conor McCarthy, Vice Chair Chris Beale, Lillian Hunter,  
Kristina Walker, Catherine Ushka (alternate)

### Call To Order

Chair McCarthy called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m.

**Present:** 4 - Beale, Hunter, McCarthy and Walker

### Briefing Items

1. [20-0150](#) Sustainable Tacoma Commission Interviews  
[Doris Sorum, City Clerk]

At approximately 4:35 p.m., Doris Sorum, City Clerk, stated the Committee will be interviewing three applicants for one member position and one youth position on the Sustainable Tacoma Commission.

Discussion ensued regarding the number of applicants and the composition of the Commission.

The Committee interviewed Emily Pinckney, Katin Kendrena, and Nikie Walters.

Discussion continued regarding candidates' qualifications, the candidates that were unable to attend, and the creation of a short list.

**MOTION: Council Member Beale moved to recommend the reappointment of Emily Pinckney to the Sustainable Tacoma Commission, effective May 1, 2020, to serve a three-year term to expire April 30, 2023.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Hunter.**

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

**Ayes: 4 - Beale, Hunter, McCarthy and Walker**

**MOTION: Council Member Beale moved to recommend the appointment of Katin Kendrena to the "Youth" position on the Sustainable Tacoma Commission, effective May 1, 2020, to serve a one-year term to expire April 30, 2021.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Hunter.**

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

**Ayes: 4 - Beale, Hunter, McCarthy and Walker**

**MOTION: Council Member Beale moved to recommend Nikie Walters as the first person on the short list, which will be effective until January 31, 2021.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Hunter.**

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

**Ayes: 4 - Beale, Hunter, McCarthy and Walker**

2.      [20-0151](#)      Pacific Avenue Bus Rapid Transit Update  
[Alexandra Mather, Government and Community Relations Officer, Pierce Transit]

At approximately 5:13 p.m., Alexandra Mather, Government and Community Relations Officer, Pierce Transit (PT), introduced Sean Robertson, Senior Construction Project Manager, and Ryan Wheaton, Executive Director of Planning and Community Development, PT. Mr. Robertson presented the Pacific Avenue Bus Rapid Transit update, including the agenda, locally preferred alternative refinement, 26th Street turnaround challenges, traffic analysis, bus selection, branding and stations, three station designs, and upcoming outreach scheduled in February and April.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding the location of the 26th Street bridge, the architectural designs of the stations, the proximity of scooter parking and crosswalks near stations, ticket vending machines at stations, virtual open houses at the Tacoma Public Library, door-to-door community outreach, spacing between proposed bus stops, parking around bus stops, additional connecting routes in the future, potential impacts on the properties surrounding the proposed route, designing a right-of-way plan, bridge weight restrictions and retrofitting options, pop-up outreach options such as grocery stores, planter strip and tree removals with replacement options, bike infrastructure along Pacific Avenue, interagency agreements, and ways to communicate property lines to the community.

## Topics for Upcoming Meetings

3. [20-0153](#) March 4, 2020 - Limiting New Storage Unit Developments and Micromobility Update  
March 18, 2020 - Transportation Improvement Plan Part 1 and Industrial Symbiosis

Claire Goodwin, Staff Liaison, stated the next meeting will be held on March 4, 2020, and will include an update from Planning and Development Services on building new storage development, and a micromobility update. She further stated the March 18, 2020 meeting will include a presentation of part 1 of the Transportation Improvement Plan.

Discussion ensued regarding topics removed from the calendar and when they may be brought back.

Kurtis Kingsolver, Executive Liaison, stated that he is stepping down as Liaison and Mike Slevin, Director, Environmental Services, will take his place.

## Other Items of Interest

Council Member Hunter drew attention to members of the community attending the meeting.

## Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

## Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.



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Conor McCarthy, Chair



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Katie Foster, City Clerk's Office