



# City of Tacoma

## Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee Minutes

747 Market Street, Tacoma WA 98402, Conference Room 248

Dial: 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 878 2905 6704

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**August 10, 2022**

**4:30 PM**

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

### Call To Order

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

### Roll Call

**Present:** 4 - Bushnell, Hines, Ushka and Walker

Chair Walker participated virtually.

### Approval of Minutes

1. [22-0885](#) Approval of the minutes of the May 11, 2022, meeting.
2. [22-0886](#) Approval of the minutes of the May 25, 2022, meeting.

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ushka moved to approve the minutes of the May 11 and May 25, 2022, meetings.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Bushnell.**

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

**Ayes:** 4 - Bushnell, Hines, Ushka and Walker

## Briefing Items

3. [22-0875](#) Transportation Commission Interviews  
[Doris Sorum, City Clerk]

At approximately 4:33 p.m., Doris Sorum, City Clerk, informed the Committee they would be interviewing eight applicants for the Transportation Commission, including Richard Gardner, who is seeking reappointment for the At-Large No. 4 position but also qualifies for the District No. 5 position. She continued by stating that there are five positions available, including At-Large No. 4 and District Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 5.

The Committee interviewed Richard Gardner, Michael Alberts, Ruben Casas, Austin Goble, Keoni Ho, Jacob Tice, Gabriel Clark, and Joe Korbuszewski.

Discussion ensued regarding demographics of the Commission, the positions available, applicant qualifications, upcoming work and projects for the Commission, and opening recruitment again to encourage more gender diversity.

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ushka moved to recommend the appointment of Joe Korbuszewski to the "District No. 1" position on the Transportation Commission to fill an unexpired term, to expire August 31, 2024.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Bushnell.**

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

**Ayes:** 4 - Bushnell, Hines, Ushka and Walker

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ushka moved to recommend the appointment of Ruben Casas to the "District No. 2" position on the Transportation Commission to fill an unexpired term, to expire August 31, 2024.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Bushnell.**

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

**Ayes:** 4 - Bushnell, Hines, Ushka and Walker

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ushka moved to recommend the appointment of Austin Goble to the "District No. 3" position on the Transportation Commission to serve a three-year term, effective September 1, 2022, to expire August 31, 2025.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Bushnell.**

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

**Ayes:** 4 - Bushnell, Hines, Ushka and Walker

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ushka moved to recommend the reappointment of Richard Gardner to the "At-Large No. 4" position on the Transportation Commission to serve a three-year term, effective September 1, 2022, to expire August 31, 2025.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Bushnell.**

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

**Ayes:** 4 - Bushnell, Hines, Ushka and Walker

4. [22-0876](#) Planning Commission Work Plan  
[Brian Boudet, Planning Division Manager, Planning and Development Services]

At approximately 6:09 p.m., Brian Boudet, Planning Division Manager, Planning and Development Services, presented the Planning Commission's (PC) Annual Report and 2022-2024 Work Program, including an agenda; reporting requirement and schedule; the PC Annual Report, noting accomplishments and special notes; and the proposed Work Program for 2022-2024, noting sources, annual versus off-cycle amendments, the planning and development process, expected completion in 2022, preliminary Work Programs for 2023 and 2024, and other ongoing and emerging issues.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding current projects, electric fencing issues, increasing staff and PC capacity to complete work or meet goals, fossil fuel tracking, and the annual amendment package.

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ushka moved to acknowledge the receipt of the Planning Commission's Annual Report for 2021-2022 and concur with the Work Program for 2022-2024.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Bushnell.**

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

**Ayes:** 4 - Bushnell, Hines, Ushka and Walker

## Topics for Upcoming Meetings

5. [22-0877](#) August 24, 2022 - Board of Building Appeals Interviews;  
Pacific Avenue Corridor Study  
September 14, 2022 - Pierce Conservation District Update;  
Urban Forest Tree Preservation and Food Tree Ordinances  
September 28, 2022 - Sustainable Tacoma Commission's Annual Report;  
Transfer of Development Rights Update;  
Accessory Dwelling Unit Update

Cathy Sims, Committee Liaison, stated that the next meeting will be on August 24, 2022, and will include interviews for the Board of Building Appeals and an update on the Pacific Avenue corridor study; and the September 14, 2022, meeting will include updates on the Pierce Conservation District and urban forest tree preservation and food tree ordinances.

## 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 6:48 p.m.



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Kristina Walker, Chair



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Katie Foster, City Clerk's Office