



MINUTES

(Approved on October 16, 2025)

MEETING: Regular Meeting (hybrid)

DATE/TIME: Thursday, August 21, 2025, 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Brett Santhuff (Chair), Jennifer Weddermann (Vice-Chair), Clara Cheeves, Stephanie Gowing (arrived at 5:37 p.m.), Krystal Monteros, Chris Reeh

ABSENT: Deborah Ranniger

A. Call to Order

Chair Santhuff called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

Chair Santhuff read the Land Acknowledgement.

B. Approval of Agenda

Board Member Reeh moved to approve the agenda as submitted. Vice-Chair Weddermann seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Approval of Minutes

- June 26, 2025 (special meeting)

Chair Santhuff suggested minor edits, including adding the word “adjacent” to read “...the chapel on the adjacent property...” and replace “multilevel parking within the public realm” with “design regulations for multilevel parking” in section F1 paragraph 3. He further suggested allowing applicants to introduce themselves earlier in the meeting and have minutes reflect that in the future.

Board Member Cheeves moved to approve the June 26, 2025, special meeting minutes as amended. Board Member Reeh seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Public Comments

There were no written comments. No individuals addressed the Board.

E. Disclosure of Contacts and Recusals

There were no disclosures of contacts or recusals.

Board Member Gowing arrived here at 5:37 p.m.

F. Discussion Items

1. Annual Report Prep

Stephen Antupit, Senior Planner, and Carl Metz, Senior Planner, presented the draft presentation that will be provided to the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee of the City Council, including background information, recent work, and future priorities.

Discussion ensued throughout including meeting location, the content and structure of the presentation, and the second application reviewed by the Board.

2. UDPR Check-In Discussion

Antupit and Metz outlined the UDPR application process, including submittal, notice and packet distributions, the Board's review, how to access the documents, and improvement opportunities.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding the preapplication process, challenges faced in the first two UDPR reviews, the need for more detailed information and completeness from applicants, the notice, the Board's advisory capacity, guidance from staff, drafting potential guidance statements, and requesting material samples.

3. Tacoma Dome Link Extension (TDLE)

Antupit and Metz provided an overview of the TDLE, including a project timeline; project updates; the Puyallup River Light Rail Bridge; the preferred Tacoma Dome Station location; visualizations; station footprint, context, and area; third party coordination; related projects subject to UDPR; and aerial alignments.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding the Tribe's involvement, the station footprint and area, area challenges, other station area elements, and community engagement.

G. Communication Items

Vice-Chair Weddermann moved to cancel the September meeting and hold a site visit at the same date and time for a walking tour of the Stadium District. Board Member Cheeves seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

H. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

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