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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July 24, 2024
4:30 PM

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

Call To Order

Chair Walker called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Hines, Walker and Bushnell
Absent: 1 - Diaz

Public Comment

Public comment was heard from:

1. Esther Day, speaking on Board of Building Appeals.
2. Heidi Stephens, speaking on Board of Building Appeals.
3. Cathy Urwin, speaking on Board of Building Appeals.
4. Cathie Raine, speaking on Board of Building Appeals.

Approval of Minutes

1. 24-0732 Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, December 13, 2023.

2. 24-0140 Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, January 10, 2024.

3. 24-0775 Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, January 24, 2024.

4. 24-0776 Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, February 14, 2024.

5. 24-0777 Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, February 28, 2024.

MOTION: Council Member Bushnell moved to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2023, through February 28, 2024, meetings.

SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Hines.

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

Ayes: 3 - Hines, Walker and Bushnell
Absent: 1 - Diaz

Briefing Items

6. 24-0752 Board of Building Appeals Interviews
[Nicole Emery, City Clerk]

At approximately 4:40 p.m., Nicole Emery, City Clerk, informed the committee they would be interviewing three applicants for the Board of Building Appeals to fill three positions to serve a five-year term effective September 1, 2024, to expire August 31, 2029.

The Committee interviewed Reggie Brown.

Emery informed the Committee the two other applicants were not available to be interviewed.

Discussion ensued regarding the interview process. Chair Walker stated she would like to move the interviews to a later date when all three applicants are available.

7. 24-0754 Planning Commission Work Program Mid-Cycle Update
[Brian Boudet, Planning Division Manager, Planning and Development Services]

At approximately 4:55 p.m., Brian Boudet, Planning Division Manager, Planning and Development Services, presented the Planning Commission work program mid-cycle update for 2023-2025, including an agenda; reporting requirements, noting duties and responsibilities; reporting schedule; sources; planning and development process, noting planning, code development, permit review, and construction; key projects in 2024, noting expected completion dates; key projects in 2025, noting expected completion dates; comprehensive plan period update, noting key focus areas; other projects; and reporting schedule.

Discussion ensued regarding scope and cost for the South Tacoma Economic Green Zone, budget for the neighborhood planning program, historic district moratorium appeal process, rendering plant prohibition, public availability to the historic district moratorium process, outreach, and joint efforts with other Commissions.

8. **24-0755** Transportation Electrification Overview and Update
[Kristin Lynett, Sustainability Officer, Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability; Breanna Chance, Principal Power Energy Conservation Analyst, Tacoma Power]

At approximately 5:30 p.m., Kristin Lynett, Sustainability Officer, Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability, and Breanna Chance, Principal Power Energy Conservation Analyst, Tacoma Power, introduced Rochelle Gandour, Education Outreach Manager, Tacoma Public Utilities, and Alan Matheson, Deputy Superintendent, Tacoma Rail. Together they presented the transportation electrification overview and update, including the Climate Action Plan, noting 2023 target, emissions, and 2024 actions; fleet, noting grants, challenges, and next steps; rail, noting successes, challenges, and next steps; public charging, noting 264 public plugs at 60 locations; public right of way, noting successes, challenges, and next steps; public off street, noting new state law; home charging, noting Tacoma Public Utilities home electric vehicle (EV) charging pilot; community charging; medium and heavy duty EVs; broader context, noting grant support, successes to date, federal programs, Washington State programs and legislation; transportation electrification strategy, noting Pierce County and Tacoma EV charging needs by 2030; and next steps, noting greater public and private partnerships.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding yard mules, vandalism at charging stations, risk factors, ties to Home in Tacoma programs, electrification study for changing City vehicles to EVs, electric bicycles, codes for new construction, private vendors and their requirements, charging stations for large vehicles and semi trucks, and Transportation Master Plan.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

9. **24-0757**

August 14, 2024 -	Transportation Commission Interviews; Streets Initiative 2 Timeline and Feedback
August 28, 2024 -	To Be Determined
September 11, 2024 -	Stormwater Manual Update

Anna Le, Committee Liaison, stated the next meeting will be on August 14, 2024, and include Transportation Commission interviews, and Streets Initiative 2 timeline and feedback; the August 28, 2024, meeting schedule is to be determined; and the September 11, 2024, meeting will

include a stormwater manual update.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Kristina Walker, Chair

Kimberly Kerby, City Clerk's Office