

**Minutes
Joint Municipal Action Committee
December 14, 2007**

PRESENT:

Connie Ladenburg, Chair (Tacoma City Council)
Debbie Winskill, Vice Chair (Tacoma School Board)
Spiro Manthou (Tacoma City Council)
Tim Reid (Metropolitan Park Board)
Kurt Miller (Tacoma School Board)
Victoria Woodards (Metro Parks Board)
Tim Farrell (Pierce County Council)
John Ladenburg (Pierce County)
Jack C. Wilson (Metro Parks Tacoma)
Dr. Arthur O. Jarvis (Tacoma School District)
Nancy Davis (Metro Parks Tacoma)
Lorraine Wilson (Tacoma School District)
George Walk (Pierce County)
Mike Combs (City of Tacoma)
Minutes taken by Metro Parks Tacoma

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Chair Connie Ladenburg.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The following additions were made to the meeting agenda: MPT Headquarters/Cheney Stadium/Foss High School Area Joint Planning.

The agenda was approved as amended.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of November 9, 2007 minutes were moved and seconded and passed unanimously.

MPT Headquarters /Cheney Stadium/ Foss High School Area Joint Planning

John Ladenburg stated that he, Eric Anderson and Jack Wilson have met with the owners of the Rainier's regarding future planning of this property. He further stated that State and Federal funding has been allocated for improvements related to Cheney Stadium. A site map of the area was distributed. The committee briefly discussed highest and best uses for the property in the future. Mr. Wilson and Mr. Ladenburg indicated that they would like all four agencies (City, County, School District and Metro Parks) to consider a joint planning exercise to be conducted by an urban designer.

Dr. Jarvis noted that he was supportive of the concepts but stated all impacts to the high school and its students need to be considered.

The group briefly discussed what contribution the current owners of the Rainier's might make to this type of project. Mike Combs noted that he has been working with the owners and noted that although they have no obligation, there could be some interest by the team owners to possibly contribute.

Tim Reid stated that this is a site that the Park Board is considering for a future site for the North/West/ Central Pool.

Chair Connie Ladenburg suggested informing the other council members and the Central neighborhood council.

Mr. Ladenburg stated that a timeline will be brought back to JMAC.

South Tacoma Community Center

Jack Wilson reviewed the basic concept plan for the future South Tacoma Community Center. He noted that the area would be a campus complex consisting of the new middle school, the new Boys & Girls Club and this new Community Center. He explained that this concept would allow for joint programming and facility use. Mr. Wilson highlighted both indoor and outdoor components of the facility. Mr. Wilson stated that the total cost of the project is about \$20 million dollars. He indicated that there is about \$12 million of the parks 2005 capital bond for the project and a request has been made to the state for \$4 million, as well as a request to the city for \$2 million. Mr. Wilson further stated that the MPT is currently seeking out partnership opportunities for the construction and programming of the center.

Prioritization of JMAC Legislative Agenda

As was requested by committee members in November, legislative staff from each agency met to discuss the prioritization of JMAC legislative agenda items. Items brought forward were: South Tacoma Community Center, Wapato Lake Restoration, Protection of Children/Sexual Predators, and tax related to conserving forest land. After some discussion JMAC members agreed that these joint issues are important to all JMAC agencies but that each agencies individual legislative priorities will also be supported by the JMAC members as well.

OTHER

Nomination of JMAC Officers

The nomination of Debbie Winskill as chair was moved and seconded.

The nomination of Victoria Woodards as vice-chair was moved and seconded.

Elections will take place at the January 11, 2008 meeting.

AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

- Election of Officers
- February Joint Study Session Agenda Development
- 2008 Agenda Development

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned by Chair Connie Ladenburg at 9:15 a.m.

SCHEDULING NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Friday, January 11, 2008 at 8:00 a.m. in the 12th Floor Conference Room.

Note: Minutes for January will be taken by Tacoma School District.