

**Minutes**  
**Joint Municipal Action Committee**  
**June 13, 2008**

**PRESENT:** Debbie Winskill, Chair (Tacoma School Board)  
Victoria Woodards, Vice Chair (Metropolitan Park Board)  
Tim Reid (Metropolitan Park Board)  
Kurt Miller (Tacoma School Board)  
Alisa O'Hanlon (City of Tacoma)  
Nancy Davis (Metropolitan Park District)  
Lorraine Wilson (Tacoma School District)  
Brynn Brady for George Walk (Pierce County)  
Minutes taken by City of Tacoma

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Debbie Winskill called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

**INTRODUCTIONS**

The Committee members introduced themselves. Also in attendance was Rob McNair-Huff, City of Tacoma Community Relations

Guests: Dee Margeson, Central Neighborhood Council; Maureen Booth, Central Neighborhood Council; Dale Yeager

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved with the following item added: *People's Center Pool.*

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes were approved as published.

**19<sup>th</sup> & TYLER SITE – SNAKE LAKE TITLE REPORT**

Alisa O'Hanlon reported that BCRA is in the process of requesting the title reports and has not received all of them yet. There have been public meetings scheduled. Rob McNair-Huff stated that the publication of the public meetings have been going out in the newspaper as well as press releases. Official notices have been sent to all persons within 1,500 feet of the site. The first meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 19, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. in the Foss High School cafeteria. The second meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 23, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. at the Boy Scouts Headquarters building. JMAC members are encouraged to attend. Victoria Woodards stated that June 23, 2008 is the Metro Parks board meeting so they will be unable to

attend on that date. Alisa O'Hanlon stated that perhaps a report on the public meetings can be made at the July 11, 2008 Committee meeting.

Debbie Winskill stated that part of the title report is to determine what the school district gave to the park district. It was stated there are notes in the historical information but no official document.

Kurt Miller reported that according to an article in the Tacoma Weekly the Metro Parks board had presented recommendations to JMAC in regards to their revenue task force, but he had not seen that list. It was stated that it was mentioned at City Club. The article sounded like it was Metro Parks that began the 19<sup>th</sup> and Tyler conversation when it was the County Executive's office. There was absolutely no master plan, no time line. Also, there needs to be input from the community.

### **POTENTIAL FUNDING FOR LINE ITEM FOR JMAC**

Victoria Woodards stated that if the Committee proceeds with this it would need to think about how the funding would come from the organizations. The downside would be the Committee would begin to make decisions and spend funds and that is not what it was formed to do. The process of discussing joint projects and taking them back to the respective boards for discussion and then requesting funding for projects, would enable Committee members to keep their respective boards informed. Tim Reid stated that it also keeps the Committee members from moving too fast. Projects can be discussed with the local boards and then questions, etc. can be brought back to JMAC.

Kurt Miller stated that part of what initiated the idea was conversations that staff members were having regarding the Get Smart Tacoma/Harvard public piece and how that could be put together and how to get that going. It has been difficult to get things done in a timely manner. Kurt Miller reported that a mission statement has been put together for Get Smart Tacoma/Harvard along with some guidelines and there will be another meeting before it is brought back to JMAC for discussion.

Tim Reid stated that the consensus was to not recommend to the boards a funding line item for JMAC. The Committee members concurred.

### **DEMOGRAPHICS REPORT**

This item was deferred to the August quarterly meeting.

### **DISCUSSION OF MUTUAL INTERESTS AND CONCERNS**

Victoria Woodards stated that regarding the 19<sup>th</sup> and Tyler Site there was discussion at the last meeting about having another joint study session or having BCRA make a presentation to all the boards so they could be updated on the process. Kurt Miller stated that it may be better to wait until after summer and asked how long would it take to put something together. Rob McNair-Huff stated that compiling information would depend on the turn-out from the public meetings as well as the page on the

website. Victoria Woodards continued she felt the boards should be updated as soon as possible on what the process is, i.e. written format, or outline on what BCRA is doing.

Kurt Miller stated that the Boy Scouts leadership would like to be part of the discussions on the wetlands that is behind the office.

Lorraine Wilson reported on legislative issues. Currently, work is being done on boundary invasion and student safety. Also, the basic education funding task force did not have time to come up with a funding system so they have solicited input from all educational organizations from around the state.

Nancy Davis reported that Metro Parks is beginning to set their agenda. Also, there will be draft legislation to expand programs.

Alisa O'Hanlon reported on state legislation. Cheney Stadium is one item that is being worked on. The Green Ribbon Climate Task Force will be presenting its recommendations.

Wapato Lake – Tim Reid updated the Committee on plans to use alum to kill the algae, however, there have been problems obtaining a permit. The treatment will last three to five years.

People's Center Pool – Tim Reid stated that both the City and the park district inspected the People's Center Pool area and found it to be dangerous and hazardous through the chemicals and the moisture in the roof. The City owns the building. There has been discussion on closing the pool and installing a spray park. The gym side of the building is okay and upgrades will continue through capital bond improvement issues. There was discussion on letting the community decide on how to spend the funds. Kurt Miller asked if the pool at Gault would be impacted and if the hours would be extended. Victoria Woodards replied that she felt they would as there is a senior group that uses the pool as well as swimming lessons.

### **AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING**

- *19<sup>th</sup> & Tyler Site - Title Report and Community Meeting Update*
- *Harvard – Get Smart Tacoma Update*

### **SCHEDULING NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Friday, July 11, 2008 at 8:00 a.m. in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room 248.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 a.m.

Note: Minutes for July will be taken by Metro Parks Tacoma.