

**Minutes
Joint Municipal Action Committee
October 10, 2008**

PRESENT: Debbie Winskill, Chair (Tacoma School Board)
Victoria Woodards, Vice Chair (Metropolitan Park Board)
Connie Ladenburg (Tacoma City Council)
Tim Reid (Metropolitan Park Board)
Connie Rickman (Tacoma School Board)
Jake Fey (Tacoma City Council)
Timothy Farrell (Pierce County Council)
Alisa O'Hanlon (City of Tacoma)
Nancy Davis (Metropolitan Park District)
George Walk (Pierce County)
Stuart Young (BCRA)
Ronda Cornforth (City of Tacoma)
Minutes taken by Tacoma School District

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Debbie Winskill called the meeting to order at 8:06 a.m.

INTRODUCTION

All attendees introduced themselves.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as published.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Victoria Woodards moved for adoption of the minutes. Connie Rickman seconded. Voice vote was called and the Chair declared the minutes approved as published.

19TH & TYLER UPDATE

A brochure was distributed to Committee members on the 19th & Tyler Streets project. Stuart Young provided Committee members with a summary of the report.

During his summary report Stuart Young noted the "near term" options (access from 19th Street) at the end of the report which BCRA is presenting for the Committee's review and approval. He reviewed those options with the Committee. Following his comments, the Committee provided their input to the plan and shared their concerns with the plan. Stuart Young emphasized that this is not a master plan and asked

Committee members what can be done to improve the property with the limited revenue at this time which would be in line with future plans for the site for the next 20 years. Following the Committee's comments, Stuart Young said he would come back to the November meeting with a plan which reflects the suggestions and comments made at today's meeting for discussion with the chief executive officers.

"25 THINGS WE LOVE ABOUT TACOMA" BROCHURE

Connie Rickman distributed copies of the brochure to Committee members. Committee members were impressed with the brochure. Connie Ladenburg said she would share the brochure with the Economic Development Committee, Visitors Bureau, and the Chamber of Commerce. Connie Rickman will research the costs to have the brochure printed in volume for use by the various entities for promotional purposes of the City of Tacoma.

"OLD" GRAY MIDDLE SCHOOL

Councilmember Ladenburg informed the Committee that she has been receiving e-mails from her constituents regarding the use of the old Gray Middle School sharing their concerns of the building being empty for any amount of time. Connie Rickman shared with the Committee that this topic was briefly discussed at the school board meeting on the previous evening. She also shared that the Superintendent is discussing this topic with his Cabinet. The administration is currently developing a plan for use of facilities. Debbie Winskill announced that this will be a topic at the November 7, 2008 meeting. She noted that one of the plans, if the bond issue passes, is to use this building as a transition school during construction projects.

AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

-  19th & Tyler Site Update
-  Use of Facilities – Gray Middle School

SCHEDULING OF NEXT MEETING

Due to a conference which will be attended by City staff, the next JMAC meeting will be held on **Friday, November 7, 2008 at 8:00 a.m.** in Conference Room 248.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:01 a.m.

Note: Minutes for November will be taken by the Tacoma School District