

**Minutes**  
**Joint Municipal Action Committee**  
**Quarterly Meeting**  
**February 12, 2016**

**PRESENT**

Erik Hanberg, Chair, Metro Parks Tacoma  
Anders Ibsen, Vice-Chair, City of Tacoma  
Robert Thoms, City of Tacoma  
Debbie Winskill, Tacoma Public Schools  
Tim Reid, Metro Parks Tacoma  
Clare Petrich, Port of Tacoma  
Mark Lauzier, Assistant City Manger  
Jack Wilson, Metro Parks Executive Director  
Josh Garcia, Tacoma Public Schools, Assistant Superintendent

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Erik Hanberg called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

**INTRODUCTIONS**

The attendees introduced themselves. Also in attendance were guests: Randy Lewis, City of Tacoma; Anita Gallagher, City of Tacoma; Jennifer Hines; City of Tacoma, Hunter George, Metro Parks Tacoma; Jennifer Bowman, Metro Parks Tacoma; Evette Mason, Port of Tacoma.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Clare Petrich moved to approve the agenda as presented, Debbie Winskill seconded the motion. The chair declared the motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Clare Petrich moved to approve the minutes of January 8, 2016 meeting. Robert Thoms seconded the motion. The chair declared the motion passed.

**OPEN SPACE & VACANT PROPERTY INVENTORIES FOR POSSIBLE MITIGATION**

Anita Gallagher commented that staff from each agency has been working to gather information related to the JMAC request on this issue. Staff found that the City does keep an online data base of available properties that have been surplus. Staff representatives of the participating agencies are now working to make sure the property list is up to date and will edit as necessary.

City staff explained that they reach out to all other partnering agencies prior to placing it on the public listing. Council Member Thoms requested further thought and discussion around that idea regarding community revitalization zone around the existing county/city building and what the tax implications might be.

Jennifer Hines commented on the City's process of surplusing property. She noted that staff recommends surplus property to the City Manager. The City Manager then moves property forward to the Council for approval of sale.

Jack Wilson commented in order to support each other; agencies should be conversing with each other and economic development when surplus properties do become available.

Tim Reid inquired as to whether schools, parks and the city have considered looking at partnering on a joint maintenance and operations facility. Josh Garcia noted that the schools and Parks are looking at that as possibility for greater efficiency. Assistant City Manager, Mark Lauzier commented that city is currently looking within the city limits for a new home for their street operations division.

The landfill site was suggested as possible joint location for all three agencies. City staff commented that the site is not large enough for the footprint of such a facility and there are some weight/capping issues as well at that site. It was noted that Metro Parks will be relocating its greenhouses to the land fill site.

#### **DISCUSSION OF MUTUAL INTERESTS AND CONCERNS/FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Anders Ibsen reminded the Committee that the third scoping meeting for the proposed methanol plant is Tuesday, February 16, 2016 at Meeker.

Jack Wilson commented on the positive work with the schools and the city on the joint planning efforts happening at Point Defiance Park.

Mark Lauzier spoke to the ongoing work taking place between parks and the city on updating the interlocal agreement between the two agencies.

Randy Lewis suggested inviting the Puyallup Tribe to the March meeting.

Josh Garcia commented that Superintendent Santorno has been awarded the National Women in School Leadership Award.

Robert Thoms commented that as the committee continues to discuss mental health issues in the community he would like to see deeper focus on homelessness enforcement first.

#### **SETTING OF NEXT MEETING AGENDA**

March 11, 2016 Regular Meeting  
Methanol Plant – Port of Tacoma

#### **FUTURE MEETING DATES**

April 15, 2016 Regular Meeting  
May 13, 2016 Quarterly Meeting  
June 10, 2016 Regular Meeting

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Vision 2040 & Growth Management - April Meeting (City of Tacoma)  
Point Defiance Development Sequencing – May (Metro Parks)  
Community Revitalization – June Meeting  
Homelessness & Enforcement (Robert Thoms)  
South Sound 911/Emergency Management  
Youth Summit (Kurt Miller)  
Invite CEO of Pierce Transit

Continue Mental Health Conversation  
Youth Mental Health Issues: Trafficking, Housing/Shelters, Gangs, etc.  
Economic Development Growth and Impacts  
Discuss and List Combined Legislative Goals  
Trades, Apprenticeship, Regional Partnerships (Tacoma School District, Bates Technical College and City of Tacoma)  
Affordable Housing Policies (Anders Ibsen)

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Friday, March 11, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. in Conference Room 248 at the Municipal Building. Minutes for the March meeting are to be taken by Metro Parks Tacoma.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.