Neighborhood Council of New Tacoma  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, February 8, 2017, 5:30-7:00PM  
People’s Center, 1602 MLK, Jr. Way, Board Room

Call to order and introductions: 5:30

Board Members: Tom Ebenhoh, Val Floyd, Rick Jones, Traci Kelly, Hally Bert

Board Members Absent: Jo Davies, Jori Adkins, Dalton Gittens, Elizabeth Burriss, Philip Bradford, Emily Roeben, Mae Harris, Bill Garl

Guests: Matthew Wolman, Brian Yee, Todd Magliocca, Erika Tucci, Kristi Evans, Leslie Barstow, Kelly Custis, Debbiann Thompson, India Adams, Amber Powell, Tony Bell, Connie Ladenburg, Vitaliy D., Carol Wolfe, and others that may not have signed in.

Approval
- Agenda (February): No quorum to approve
- Minutes (January): No quorum to approve
- Treasurer’s report: $3,773.19

Citizen Forum (10 minute limit): Guest spoke about the Goodwill Tea Party and Vintage fashion show on Saturday, Feb 11 and provided handouts about the event.

- Tacoma Police Department, Officer Kelly Custis
  - Provided update on Tip of the month, Crime Prevention Tips for the Gym and avoiding thefts; provided handouts to the audience
- Tacoma Fire Department – Chief Magliocca spoke on burn hazards, increase in TFD calls, resources available to respond to true emergencies impacted if calls for non-emergencies; he provided handouts on stamping out smoking fires
- City Manager’s Office - India briefed on various City events such as, but not limited to, City Manager update, Train Testing on Pt. Defiance bypass, South Sound Sustainability Expo, St. Patrick’s Day Run, and Pierce Transit Service charges. She provided handouts to audience.
- Metro Parks – Debbiann deferred to Kristi Evans
- Tacoma Public Schools – n/a
- Port of Tacoma, Leslie Barstow, Community Liaison
  - Shared information about free bus and boat tours, lunar new year event, possible virus that killed gulls in tide flats, construction update, and new strategic plan

New Business
- Pierce County CM Ladenburg spoke about the mental health tax that did not pass in council, history of mental health issues to include costs. Discussed new ad hoc committee formed and way forward as a result of tax not passing. She answered questions from the audience and discussed community oriented policing and collaboration among law enforcement in dealing with property crimes, various county issues, economic development, budget, transportation issues, and how to keep people living and working in the county vice living and working out of county
- Matt Wolman discussed emergency response/planning and engaging the community. He provided a survey to the audience and will also e-mail to Tom to share electronically
- Kristi Evans provided update on Seymour conservatory at Wright Park. She provided handouts and discussed the design. Project is on fast track and she anticipates opening by Dec 2017
- Carol Wolfe introduced herself and discussed her role in neighborhood council program and discussed various City events, to include, but not limited to, Innovative Grant program and encouraged feedback on the neighborhood council program for consideration in possible City updates to program
- NCNT 2016 Annual Report, Budget, and 2017 Action Plan
  - Drafted at Feb 4 retreat
  - Tom will finalize report and submit to Carol

Old Business
- NCNT Organizational E-Mail Update/Transition (Liz/Jori/Rick/Tom/Emily): Ongoing
- NCNT Tax Law By-Laws Update (Liz, Tom, Emily, Philip, Bill, Jo, Traci). Board met on Feb 4 to finalize Annual Report/budget. Board drafted revised By Laws; plan to consider for approval at March meeting
Council Reports

- Community Council: No significant update
- Correspondence: Tom shared thank you notes from Park Place housing residents in appreciation for NCNT support
- Reports from Neighborhoods: No significant updates

Announcements: Hally briefed on letter she submitted from Downtown on the Go requesting $500.00 towards February Friday forum on equity and transportation downtown. Without quorum, no vote. Will add to March Agenda for vote. Tom mentioned May NUSA Conference and registration opening soon; NCNT will not be submitting/sponsoring package this year; possibly next year. He briefed 2016 Innovative Grant update and 2017 Innovative Grant program; more to follow. Anticipate presentations to NCNT once City receives/distributes proposals to NCNT. Traci briefed on Safe Streets budget and potential impact to services; possible request for funding assistance to NCNT; mentioned possible follow on neighborhood conferences hosted by Streets. She provided handouts to the audience on Committed to Community. Erika briefly gave overview and discussed some key TPU issues. She will be proving more information at the March meeting.

Adjournment: 7:00 p.m.

NOTE: NCNT Executive Committee Meetings are open to the public. Meetings take place at 8:30a.m.on the last Saturday of each month Tully’s at 9th & Broadway. Board Members: If you are unable to attend, please notify executive committee prior to meeting

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**Thursday, January 26, 2017  9:30-11:00 am (HURRY! ALMOST FULL!!)**

Monday, February 13, 2017  2-3:30 pm

Tuesday, March 7, 2017  2-3:30 pm

Saturday, April 1, 2017  10-11:30 am

Tuesday, May 9, 2017  9:30-11 am

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