



**City of Tacoma
Sustainable Tacoma Commission
Meeting Minutes**

Date: June 19, 2018

Commission Members Present: JC Rubi, Jade Monroe, Chrissy Cooley, Sheree Cooks, Kenny Coble, Matthew Benedict, Chris Karnes, Todd Hays, Lexi Brewer

Commission Members Excused: Liberty Evans-Agnew, Phil Coughlan

Commission Members Absent: None

Others Present: Samantha Lake, Erica Tucci, Philip Paulson, Tyler Cox, Patrick Babbitt, Jim Parvey

Call to Order

This meeting was called to order by Lexi Brewer at 4:30 p.m.

Approval of May 20th, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Motion: Chris Karnes

Seconded by: Todd Hay

Action: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: All

Abstained: None

Review of Agenda

Motion: Chris Karnes moved adoption of the agenda with a vote for Vice Chair as the 4th item

Seconded by: Kenny Coble

Action: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: All

Abstained: None

Planning and Development Services 2019 Workplan Overview - Philip Paulsen

Philip Paulsen, with Planning and Development, gave an overview of their 2019 Comprehensive Plan Amendments. The initial plan was created in 2015. The amendments will include updates on City-wide zoning regulations, shoreline master program, joint land use study, open space corridors, historic preservation code, and minor amendments.

Members of the STC were interested in high priority initiatives, like the tideflats interim regulations, tideflats subarea plan, and the affordable housing/infill pilot program. Commission member Chrissy Cooley was interested in creating regulations that divert construction waste from the landfill.

Commission member Chris Karnes would like additional modeling on how projects will impact transportation.

Healthy Homes, Healthy Neighborhood Program Update - Tyler Cox and Patrick Babbitt, OEPS

Tyler Cox, with the Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability, presented a summary of their 2017-2018 South Tacoma Healthy Homes, Healthy Neighborhood Program. Their goal was to build community and partnerships, gather citizen feedback on environmental needs, and improve socio-economic equity.

South Tacoma was chosen due their active open spaces, transit assets and overarching socio-economic status. Their program had a three prong approach to community engagement, which included canvassing, attending community meetings, and creating 4 springtime events. Their goal was to provide information on environmental conservation programs from the City of Tacoma and their partners.

For 2018-2019 they are considering the Hillsdale and Manitou neighborhoods. They will consider feedback for program development. Sheree Cooks, Kenny Coble, Chris Karnes would like Healthy Homes, Healthy Neighborhood to work in the Eastside.

Chair Lexi Brewer challenged the STC to think of community partners who could volunteer with the program. She also encouraged STC members to volunteer.

STC Priorities, Workplan & Meeting Schedule - Chair Lexi Brewer

Chair Lexi Brewer proposed that the 4th Thursday of the month, 4:30-6:30 PM, would be the best time for the commission to meet. They will reconsider this at the July meeting.

The STC collaborated on a workplan for the upcoming year. They reviewed presentation proposals and subcommittee involvement. Chair Lexi Brewer proposed to shift the subcommittees to appointed liaison roles, a member would review the agenda and/or attend another commission meeting every month and report back.

Chrissy Cooley would motion to draft a letter concerning the Tideflats Subarea Plan

Vote for Chris Karnes for Vice Chair

Motion: Lexi Brewer motioned to vote Chris Karnes as Vice Chair

Seconded: Chrissy Cooley

Action: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: All

Abstained: None

Staff Updates – Jim Parvey, OEPS

The Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability will be hiring a Project Outreach Specialist and 5 AmeriCorps members.

Public Comment

None.

Objectives for the Next Meeting

None.

Adjournment

Motion: Chris Karnes

Seconded: Matthew Benedict

Action: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: All

Abstained: None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

The next meeting of the Sustainable Tacoma Commission will be Tuesday, July 17th, 2018 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Tacoma Municipal Building, 747 Market Street, Room 243.

Lexi Brewer, Chair

Kristin Lynett, Staff