



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

Date: August 23, 2018

Commission Members Present: JC Rubi, Jade Monroe, Sheree Cooks, Kenny Coble, Matthew Benedict, Chris Karnes, Todd Hay, Lexi Brewer, Liberty Evans-Agnew

Commission Members Excused: Phil Coughlin, Emily Pinckney

Commission Members Absent:

Others Present: Jim Parvey, Kristin Lynett, Leah Michaelson, Vlad Gutman-Britten, Mary Clabaugh

Call to Order

This meeting was called to order by Chris Karnes at 4:30 p.m.

Approval of July 17, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Motion: Sheree Cooks

Seconded by: JC Rubi

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

Ayes: All

Abstained: None

Review of Agenda

Motion: Todd Hay

Seconded by: Jade Monroe

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

Ayes: All

Abstained: None

Initiative 1631, State Carbon Fee & 100% Clean Energy Proposal – Chris Karnes & Todd Hay

Drafted letter to present to City Council in support of Initiative 1631, a state carbon fee and 100% clean energy proposal. The fee is directed back to three buckets:

- 70% for clean air
- 25% for clean water and healthy forests
- 5% for healthy community investments

Initiative 1631 will create an oversight body and committees that will create recommendations to legislation for spending. This letter offers STC's help in drafting a resolution with Council.

Approval of Letter to Council

Amendments were proposed by Liberty and Lexi

Motion: Sharee Cooks to approve the letter with the proposed amendments

Seconded by: Todd Hay

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

Ayes: All

Abstained: None

STC Subcommittee Discussion - Chair Lexi Brewer

After a review of the previous subcommittee structure, it was determined a structure change is necessary.

There were 3 options presented:

1. Structure based on the 4 priority actions from 2018 funding request to Council
2. Structure based on external commissions and governing bodies
3. Structure based on function (noted this is a high risk option)

Option 2 was selected. Kristi to send out a roster to STC members for sign up in one of five subcommittees: Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability, Planning Commission, Transportation Commission, TPU Board, and Education and Outreach.

Tideflats Interim Regulations Discussion – Chair Lexi Brewer

Interim regulations are coming up for renewal. Review of original text in the letter sent to Council needs to be reviewed and updated in preparation for release at the October 23 public hearing. Lexi encouraged STC member participation. Lexi, Jade, and Matthew will work on revising the letter to present at September 27 meeting.

Staff Updates – Kristin Lynett

Introduction to Crystal Komenda as Administrative Support and Leah Michaelson and Program Outreach. There are a number of upcoming events:

- 9/1 Tree Coupon program kicks off
- 9/8 Mike Carey and Sarah Low are hosting a Trees and Beer event
- 9/9 Downtown to Defiance
- 9/10 Grit City Trees ends
- 9/15 Another electric car and bicycle test at LeMay Car Museum
- Portland State University Heat Map Island study looking for participants

The next STC meeting will be held at TPU where a water and power 101 will be presented with additional information about their programs.

Public Comment

Mary Clabaugh filling in for Erica Tucci was happy to join and excited to host September meeting at TPU. She also mentioned a joint study session on September 18 where TPU will present on the Carbon Policy.

Objectives for the Next Meeting

- October: SEIS for LNG, City Manager Budget Review
- November: Electric Vehicle update

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

The next meeting of the Sustainable Tacoma Commission will be Thursday, September 27, 2018 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Tacoma Municipal Building, 747 Market Street, Room 243.

Lexi Brewer, Chair

Crystal Komenda, Staff