City of Tacoma  
Sustainable Tacoma Commission  
Meeting Notes

Date: February 14th, 2017

**Commission Members Present:** Alexandra Brewer, Josh Jorgensen, Theda Braddock, Sarah Chessman, Lowell Wyse, Alison Baur, Christine Cooley, Philip Coughlan,

**Commission Members Excused:** Peter Hickman, Alyssa Illich

**Others Present:** Kristin Lynett, Emily Campbell, Justin Belk, Emma Keese, Adrienne Chaney, Erica Tucci, Jetta Antonakos, Zachary Christin, Sherry Graham, Leigh Starr, Roger Peery, Dave Rosholm, Vicki Marsten, Josh Diekmann, Chris Nelson, Jessica Knickerbocker

- **Roll Call**
  The meeting was called to order at 3:32pm.

- **Approval of December 13th Meeting Notes**
  The December meeting notes were approved with no changes.

- **Review of February Agenda**

- **LED Streetlights – Leigh Starr, Public Works ADD– Leigh Starr and Roger Peery**

  Leigh Starr with Public Works and Roger Peery with Tacoma Public Utilities (TPU) gave a presentation on the installation of Light Emitting Diode (LED) streetlights. Public Works will be partnering with TPU Power on their upcoming LED Conversion Project. The City currently oversees about 21,890 streetlights, 90.3% of which are High Pressure Sodium (HPS). As HPS bulbs fail they are being replaced by LED lights which currently make up 3.6% of total lights. The light type breakdown is as follows: about 77% are cobras and other overhead lights, about 21% are ornamental and the remaining 2% are other including floodlights. The Tacoma Public Works and TPU Power Partnership Project will upgrade about 16,370 overhead streetlights from Metal Halide and HPS to LED lights. Fixtures included in the program are overhead lights such as cobras and shoeboxes, residential ornamental and commercial district ornamental.
Floodlights, wall packs, and series cobra heads are currently excluded from the program. Depending on the wattage an overhead can run $150-500 or as much as $2000-4,000 so they chose the lights that would have a shorter payback period.

The current annual electric bill is about $1,000,000 before the conversion. They will have a capital recovery paying $1,000,000 each year after the replacements meaning it is being funded by the energy savings. The payback period is 15 years.

Kristi asked them to clarify on changes in that 1 million over time.

There are many benefits of LEDs. They provide both lower costs in energy consumption and lower maintenance costs. There is also better control of light with lower overall light levels required, better uniformity, less glare, and less light trespass. There is also better light quality. LED lights are ideal for street light design.

The dark skies initiative is trying to eliminate light pollution, especially up lighting. Outdoor lighting that lights unwanted areas is called light trespass. Fixtures have a BUG rating, which stands for backlight, uplight and glare. The glare can impact drivers if it shines in their eyes. Uplighting is light that goes up from the light. All of the new lights have no uplight because it isn’t needed at all for a street fixture 30 feet in the air. Backlight is sometimes wanted, depending on the situation.

Leigh showed the Commission photos of the LED lights that have been put in the Lincoln Business District so they could see the difference before and after the LED lights were put in. He spoke about the benefits to public safety as well because you can see, for example, the color of a thief’s car better.

They are currently in the planning and design phase of the project. They are making a 4-5 size fits all plan for the city. It will require a new ordinance and an update to the Tacoma Municipal code. The H3 schedule will come out in April 2017. It has gone before the Utility board and between now and April it will go to the City Council. The new rates will then start April 2017.

They’re hoping to get a material contract out spring or summer of 2017 and then a construction contract in the fall or winter of 2017. The timeline for the work itself is 14 to 18 months.

A Commissioner asked if they had a map of where in the city will or will not getting upgrades. Roger answered that basically all the overhead lights will be replaced. Leigh said that he can provide a map and gave a few examples of areas with ornamental lights that won’t be upgraded such as Old Town.

Approximately 16,000 lights
A Commissioner asked about the ornamentals in the Old Town, asking what kinds were installed. Leigh answered they used the same manufacturer, color etc for the existing light.

A Commissioner asked whether they had quantified the savings in energy/carbon. Roger answered 10 million kwh per year. This is the equivalent of 8,000 residential customers.

A Commissioner noted that this program is about replacement. He asked about whether new streetlights will also be LED. Leigh said that new fixtures will be LED whether they are replacing bulbs or in new areas. They have a plan written out of what should be replaced where.

A Commissioner commented that they were excited about a major aspect of the EAP plan getting going.

A Commissioner asked about the color tone, moving from yellow to white, in the photo provided. They asked if there are any studies on behavior or circadian rhythms being impacted by the color change. She read about differences light color between Seattle and Seoul. Roger said that a report was recently published on the health impact on street lights by the American Medical Association (AMA). The article says you shouldn’t have higher than 3,000 kelvin in color temperature. For reference the moon is 4,000. They have had some concern from citizens who have reached out. They are looking into that. There is some controversy in the lighting community on the impact of the light. AMA generally supports moving towards it. For early adopters 6,000 kelvin was available, now 4,000 is available. LED is an improvement in most areas such as glare and backlight but if there were any downsides the color is a slight concern. The amount of blue light for a 4,000 LED is actually the same as HD.

A Commissioner asked if all the fixtures are specific to the output? Some can have multiple. They might have to make some changes.

A Commissioner asked whether the AMA article had anything about the duration or the intensity of the light. The answer was no. It was only a 6-7 page report so it wasn’t exhaustive. They have to decide about the pros and the cons. Potentially in residential neighborhoods they will do one option, like 3,000 and in commercial do 4,000.

Jim Parvey asked for clarification on the color temperature from a safety standpoint. A Commissioner showed on a graphic that the higher the Kelvin the cooler the temperature. Leigh showed information on temperature and safety from Seattle that shows mean detection distance. It showed what a color on concrete looked like from a specific distance with different temperatures. Some colors were easier to see than others, for example green was very good across the board. The 4,000 option was at the top for just about every color. So they were looking at that along with other sources of information such as accident history. Transportation at Virginia Tech assisted Seattle on that research. They
feel they have the safety data to back up the choice of 4,000 but it is still being weighed and decided. They should be getting a recommendation soon.

A Commissioner thanked them for coming and for working on this.

- **Environmental Action Plan Progress Reporting – Kristi Lynett, Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability**

Kristi came from the Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability (OEPS) to talk about the upcoming Environmental Action Plan (EAP) progress report. She recently sent out an email letting employees know that they would start collecting data for the report. Kristi went over a refresher of the EAP. She will be asking for 2016 data so they can plot it for each category. She’s also asked for staff to rate each action on a 1-5 scale (no work to completed) and write a couple of sentences elaborating. This project has been worked on/through for years but it wasn’t fully published until recently so they’re letting staff know they don’t expect a lot of completed or nearly completed actions.

Kristi asked what the STC wants to see highlighted in the report and what they think the community might be interested in. Since it will mostly be online, good graphics were emphasized. She wants to know how much detail they think should be included. She showed the Climate Action Plan (CAP) with a few bullet points of what they’ve done, next steps and a success story for each category. At the end of the report they had every action and each was in one of three categories, good progress, some progress or needs work. They also had a section on how you can get involved. This was shown as an example of one option for formatting. The Sustainability accomplishments pdf had highlights and those three categories. They also had a couple pages with actions and what benefits there would be. Those had a narrative around each one so it gave more details and had a lot of text. The Climate Action Plan Draft #5 Helvetica had highlights, strategy with a sidebar of the three categories. Kristi asked what formatting the commissioners preferred.

A Commissioner said they liked the first one best, from 2010. They liked the way the categories were put together, that it indicated some, no or good progress. They would like to see even more graphics. They like that it included an update even for things with only some progress. They thought that level of detail was appropriate. Kristi pointed out that it only put each action into 3 categories and didn’t have specifics of what that progress might look like.

A Commissioner commented they would like something indicating a percentage completed for things with hard numbers. Potentially they could use a graphic of a thermometer.

A Commissioner commented that it would be good to have something showing if we’re on target for our reduction goals. And then perhaps if we are not that would mean we should relook at goals and assess feasibility.
A Commissioner said they liked the section on what can be done to help meet the goals. So it shows where we are and also what can be done if you’re not doing it already.

A Commissioner suggested including obstacles that have arisen. Those may change from year to year and would be a good place for citizens to see what they could do to help.

A Commissioner commented that in the 2010 report it had individual actions. Most of the goals are at the city level but it had a section on ‘individual choices matter’ for people to read.

Kristi noted that every action doesn’t necessarily clearly go back to a specific target.

A Commissioner asked Kristi to clarify if what she wanted to know was how to make it easily digestible. Kristi said yes she wants to know that and also opinions on how long it could be.

A Commissioner asked what kind of information Kristi is collecting on these actions. Kristi clarified that she is asking staff to rate actions on a 1 to 5 scale and write a couple sentences on it. What Kristi is wondering is how much of that information should be included. Should we include all the details or just highlight a few great places.

A Commissioner said they liked the table of showing good, some work, and needs progress as an appendix. Then having the rest be more graphics, and fairly short.

A Commissioner said they would prefer to have a more clear picture of where we are in the process, and would advocate for more details over just a few highlights.

A Commissioner commented that this would dovetail nicely into the idea of having obstacles.

A Commissioner commented that more people will look at the body of the document with graphics then the table at the very end so they want as many details as possible up top.

A Commissioner asked who the audience for this is. Kristi said the Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee (IPS) who they will present to on April 26th, the website, a press release, City Council and the STC.

A Commissioner asked if two reports could be generated, one with all the details and one summary. So the City Council could see all the details and the summary would be for the public.

Jim said we should provide all the details to the public but have all the extensive details at the bottom so you don’t have to wade through it. In other words, have the shorter, more accessible version first and then all the details at the end.
A Commissioner said that the structure of the EAP is readable and accessible. They suggested we could keep this in the same format at the EAP and just add the basic update to it.

Jim asked if they would have columns for good progress, some progress and none. The commissioner suggested it not even be sorted like that, just have checks next to it but kept in the same order as EAP.

Jim said that they want enough detail that for things that have little or no progress they can see what’s happening and get it back on track.

Peter said that they should be careful how they word the columns so it is easy to pinpoint what needs particular attention.

A Commissioner said that this gets back to the thermometer graphic idea. Jim suggested they could put a mark for where we should be and then could mark if we’re currently below or above that.

A Commissioner said that it would show if we were behind or ahead of schedule. Jim said that is what he meant, but really on in graphic form.

Kristi noted that there are actions that there hasn’t been any action on yet. She feels comfortable recognizing that.

Jim said that that’s what he meant. He wants to show that if we weren’t anticipating much progress it’s okay but if we were we should be concerned.

A Commissioner asked about the greenhouse gas (GHG) inventory. Kristi said that we will be collecting it for 2016, they collect every 4 years. Not sure how report will look but it will probably have its own standalone report and also have a one page report.

In the March STC meeting Kristi will have a draft of the GHG to show the STC.

A Commissioner suggested the word pending instead of no progress.

- **Green Roads Update** – Jim Parvey, Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability and Chris Larson, Public Works and Jessica Nickelbacher Environmental Services, Surface Water

Jim Parvey from OEPS gave background information on green roads. We passed a resolution in July 2014 to be a green road city. The idea is to make our transportation/road system more people/environmentally friendly. One recommendation was to appoint a green roads team to be a coach to designers and to come up with plan. Some specific recommendations include achieving green roads certification on all new road projects where financially feasible. We wanted to have an example of each type of road such as residential, multi-use trail, and alley. The resolution also calls for projects over 5 million to strive for GOLD level certification. Another recommendation which he thought was valuable was to modify the guidebook for how we build stuff, the Design Manual. That builds it into the process of building so it becomes the default.
Some progress has been made. Staff participated in a green roads bootcamp in 2015.

In March 2015 they got green road team members but they fell a bit behind in getting policies changed. They have built some green roads though and updated the design manual to reference green roads and design.

Jim then turned it over to Chris and Jessica.

Chris works in Public Works engineering. He said they’ve done a lot of great things in last few years. One big issue was a lack of funding when they got started. One great thing is in 2015 when the streets initiative passed, money started coming in. They had 17.5 million a year in taxes, 3 million from city, plus what grand money they were leveraged for). Of that, 2 million was set aside for active transportation, 3 million for new arterial upgrades, 12-12.5 is for residential street improvements. They don’t have official green roads and policies set yet but are building green roads. They are following goals and working with partners. They are leveraging programs with other transit/granting agencies, leaking new projects to land use, working with CED, and following guidelines with Complete Streets program that encourage physical activity.

All new projects are following the intent of green roads with low impact development, watching storm water opportunities, and working with community outreach for construction and social and economic development. They are using materials that can have a longer lifespan, recycle opportunities with Material and Design. They are also following the access and livability part of green roads working on equity through the city and active transportation.

In 2016 they had a good opportunity because of new money coming in. They leveraged 4 million of initiative money to get 20 million in state and federal grants. With that they have worked on 5 active transport projects, 5 arterial projects, additional money for Lincoln revitalization, and safety improvement on Portland Ave. They also paved 90 residential blocks in 2016, built 245 curb ramps, completed water film line trail from M to C St to connect if from south Tacoma to downtown and worked on the Flume Trail. They started a new project on Prairie Line Trail being constructed down Hood St.

Another new project starting soon is the pipeline trail which will go from dome district up McKinley, going all the way to the southern city limits. They are currently working on phase 2 of that. That will go from Dome up to E 48th St.

They have lots of new programs starting with initiative money. They are working on the new safe route to school project, some pedestrian Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) audible push button projects and more.

Jessica listed several other projects, around Lister elementary, a bike and pedestrian project on Fawcett between 19th and 21st, a safety project on South Tacoma Way and Lincoln project through 38th.

Jessica gave information on several other projects they’ve worked on since 2014. Little Sprague from 25th to 19th is pretty much equivalent to a bronze level road. Another residential bronze level goes from 42nd to 48th. Bennet St from 48th will also be
bronze. They are currently in the design phase for 40th St and it will probably end up being a silver level.

Oakland Madrona neighborhood needs at least 18 blocks at bronze level certification. They recently obtained a grant for Madison District, they are over the 5 million dollar budget so they will be striving for gold on that. No one in the world has achieved gold yet but they will be striving for it. That grant is for $8 million.

A Commissioner noted that it would be amazing to be the first gold ever.

A Commissioner asked about the main obstacles. They answered that many things just don’t make sense for a residential area

A Commissioner asked about the Madison neighborhood project. They are still working on it.

A Commissioner asked about the process and whether there are some streets being redone that are not green. They are wondering if anyone is looking at this holistically, for example is there communication when working on new sidewalks. They didn’t know.

A Commissioner asked if it was all or nothing, if it was smaller than 5 million they wanted to know what was done to make it green. Are they still doing the types of things that would get to gold even if they know they won’t get there?

They said they work with Environmental Services (ES) when constructing a St. to find out about storm water issues.

A Commissioner asked them to clarify what the requirements are for smaller projects. Jim said they use a plan that has best practices for all projects.

They will partner with neighborhoods to see about relevant work such as putting sidewalks in.

A Commissioner asked about the community involvement process. They said that they go out in advance and give neighborhood options. They work with local improvement (LID).

A Commissioner heard there was some issues with Prairie Line Trail, that the community wanted surface water but public works paved over on 21st St. They wanted to know more about what the community role is. They’ve had community meetings and also spoken with community partners such as UW.

A Commissioner gave another example of an informal survey put out by city member. They suggested that the project response could be formalized since its different each time.

Chris elaborated that they try to get the survey out to stakeholders, the neighborhood council, and put flyers out to all property owners and businesses in area.
The Commissioner clarified that they were wondering how that community response is recorded. Is there a summary showing what the response was and how it was taken into account? Chris said they work with the local groups, get a lot of input, traffic study etc. and that the documentation is put in with project. The issue with 21st St is there is no design out yet; they wanted information from TPU early to see where they could work when they want to make a project. But it is not happening yet. When it happens again they will get input from all the previously mentioned stakeholders and that info will be recorded somewhere.

A Commissioner asked Jessica about the four bronze equivalent streets. They asked how much they cost, and if they are big or small projects. She said they’re around 6 blocks long, the rating doesn’t necessarily equate to money.

The commissioner clarified that he saw public streets that were missed opportunities. He is wondering what’s stopping us from incorporating this into the culture at Public Works.

A Commissioner asked if there are avenues to get small projects moving.

A Commissioner asked how many projects at that level happen in total. To get an idea what that 4 projects means for the total. What other projects are happening so they can get an idea what percent of the total projects are green roads.

A Commissioner said they see this as an opportunity for Tacoma to be a leader. They asked about possible missed opportunities, both larger projects and more small (getting a critical mass of projects). They probably do one or two gold level because those are grant funded and they compete with others for funding. They plan to keep going after these grants. For the smaller projects, they haven't adopted the green roads yet but Public Works are mostly following the ideas.

A Commissioner asked if they are using a checklist from the green roads list. Jessica said that the projects she’s managed they’ve used the checklist. Chris said Public Works is taking it to heart but not officially filling out the checklist.

A Commissioner said that many barriers were removed from 2015 from funding. Wondering about how the 2015 boot camp went and wondering if a 2017 one would be helpful due to the changes in circumstance. Maybe they could do another boot camp and teach the checklist. Chris said that the whole engineering team is certified for low impact design through that boot camp.

A Commissioner asked who puts the boot camp on. Jim answered that Jerry Lee taught a one day camp. They could do it again and teach them the checklist.

Jim said that storm water is important but less than 20% of whole so other things have to be incorporated as well.

A Commissioner asked if that is supposed to come up for every project, not just projects over 5 million. They said yes 5 million was for gold but for every project they are thinking about what can be incorporated.
A Commissioner asked what the metrics are for how much or little they’re adhering to the checklist. They referenced the other commissioner’s comment on missed opportunities and asked whether they have a metric. They said that was something they would want to continue. Since 2015 there are a few new staff that could potentially go through the boot camp for the first time. Maybe there could be training in conjunction with the boot camp with our specific take on the initiative and how we want to implement it.

A Commissioner commented that they think developing a policy for how we want to use the checklist and when is a priority over boot camp. We should develop the policy and then have training on the new policy and how to use the checklist effectively.

A Commissioner encouraged ES, Public Works and other relevant departments to work on a policy so the checklist can be the same for all projects. They can get a baseline and record the data.

A Commissioner asked about the green roads team. Is it being compiled? Jim answered that in 2015 they put together the members of who needed to be on that team. It just hasn’t been kicked off yet. A review of the list is necessary to decide if any changes are needed.

A Commissioner asked if there’s a timeline for the update. Jim said they need to get together with public works and see what they are doing.

Ryan said that the checklist is good but our review of how we’re doing should be: are we meeting goals for specific goals such as permeable surface.

A Commissioner commented that one big emphasis was an opportunity to save money. They found the first four were more fiscally responsible than regular methods. So it is good financially as well as being a mandate from city council. They noted that it’s about the culture, getting people in the habit of looking at the checklist. They said if we want to be a leader we have to better about presenting successes.

A Commissioner suggested that they make the STC accountable for the gold project and keep them in the loop on what’s happening. It is important to identify priority projects down the line such as a bridge.

Jessica said that the last two projects they’ve partnered with streets initiative and Public Works to expand and get more bang for their buck.

A Commissioner noted that with the new funding this is a great chance to review the project.

A Commissioner thanked them and proposed inviting them back in 4-6 months to get updates on Madison, and the policy updates. At that point they can also check in to see if there’s anything the STC can do to help.

Jessica commented that the Madison project is based on state funding so they probably won’t have updates on that for a year or so.
Subcommittees Discussion

The Commissioners want to have regular subcommittee report outs. A consistent format such as, answer these 3 questions each time. Commissioner asked if they’d like to talk about that first or do reports first and then discuss this. Content had not yet been discussed. A Commissioner suggested doing report out first and then discussion.

Transportation: Josh said they’re losing a member because Lowell is resigning his commission. Kristi checked that Chrissy and Josh are both on the transportation listserv.

Climate Resiliency: They hadn’t met for a while so they met and revised their goals. Major change is that mini grants didn’t make it through the budget so their goal changed from promoting those to trying to get them passed. They talked about action items as a team. One is to attend planning commission meetings. Lexi will go to the one tomorrow and give a presentation. Sarah looking at other city commissions to see if there were any that should be or are involved in climate resilience. Phil and Sarah are revisiting the EAP to identify actions they want to take. Phil asked about the planning commission. He saw that there was someone going tomorrow already and wasn’t sure who. It is Ryan who will be going. Kristi noted that the topic is the STC so more people going would be great. Phil said that one priority should be elevated or high priority is flood control in tide flats and flood mitigation. Making sure climate resiliency is built into plans for Puyallup, lower Puyallup and the port. Jim said they did meet with the port, and he has been sharing info they’ve been getting from the coastal sea level rise grant with them. A more detailed flooding map is one of the scope items from the grant. Phil said they looked at draft scope and are engaged and commenting on it. He could facilitate meeting between port and the STC. Phil said they started with looking at scope and feel like that should be at top of list. Want to follow along and be kept in loop. Kristi mentioned that it’s a 3 year grant so it’s fairly slow moving. She can give updates on progress but there won’t be a lot of substance every month or even every quarter. Jim said they’re working with city council and port commission for join work. This will happen in next few months or so. Kristi said she got feedback from Lexi and Chrissy on the climate presentation. That is still a work in progress and is definitely on her radar. Kristi will want to circle back with the subcommittee or full group with a later draft. Jim said he’s trying to get appointments with public works and ES, trying to get them to think about impact on what they do. It would be good to have a presentation for them potentially.

Buildings and Energy: Alison did research on a Resource Conservation Manager (RCM). They talked about possible interns and asked Kristi if an intern was going to planning. Kristi said that they are looking to use the intern resources within the office first and foremost so none will be available for permit office/green building. They are very grateful for the green roads presentation. Alison had a question about the RCM, she wants to be prepared for when that
comes up again. Is there a strategic time to bring that before the council? She is seeking guidance on the format of that. Jim said the biannual adjustment comes up in October. They got funded for everything except for the actual person which was what they needed most. They were told to come up with a business case evaluation of why it’s good for the city. Jim thinks it’s a very good deal to spend a small amount of money to save big. He also thinks that the business case sent to the council signed by the STC would be helpful. Kristi developed a draft about that and will be talking to the council about it in late summer. The biannual adjustment will be approved in late November. She is hoping some commissioners could come to the IPS meeting. Kristi requested that be on the IPS schedule, it’s on the informal list. It was suggested the Commissioners just wait until then, not continually bring it up. Roger suggested they could potentially put something together with positive impact but would have to check and get back to the STC. Jim said that examples of how other organizations have saved energy and money would be good to include. They asked for updates on how building and energy will be represented at Expo. Kristi said they are a bit short on vendors and would love ideas or if they know someone whose business would be a good fit, to solicit them. They suggested they’d send out an email later. Chrissy asked about green advocate position.

**Materials Management:** No updates, Phil said they didn't meet. Last thing they talked about was an internal check to extract from material management what their milestones are. He thinks they were working on a final draft. Beyond that they just spoke with Gary about the job descriptions. Any incentives in materials management could be incorporated. One of the recommendations was in regards to fees on materials, incentives to create transport. When they met he said he was changing some job descriptions to support education. They are hiring one position to work on resource and budget. Jim said they were interviewing resource conservation specialist this week, but no one is on board yet. They could look at incentives and see how materials could be incorporated into the description. There’s another position to look at spreadsheets who should work with resource conservation specialist to see what degree can provide incentives. In a month or so they should have these two new positions. As a subcommittee they will keep tabs on that.

**Air and Local Food:** Nothing to report.

**Natural Systems:** They did not meet that month. They are not sure what they will be doing without Lowell. They did have someone at the IPS meeting. However, it turns out that they have the public comment at the beginning not the end so they weren’t ready to comment. This month Ryan will go and speak up. Lowell noted that they’ve got a base of 250 people for Tacoma Needs Trees. They wanted to call attention to gulch, public outcry against proper management. Feels they missed an opportunity to comment on that. Kristi wants to keep that on people’s radar. Kristi said you can subscribe to updates from various departments. You can go to Cityoftacoma.org and sign up for updates. Lowell said it would be good to find updates relevant to each subcommittee and they can subscribe.

**Education and Outreach:** Nothing to report.
They discussed ideas for how to report out. Suggestion was to think about what it should look like for next meeting.

Phil said if there are commissions people know of, visit list and see if there are any we ought to be connecting with.

**Staff Updates**

- Losing Lowell and Alysa, still looking for a youth. Have 2 seats that terms expire in a few months so need an answer by the next meeting about whether they will be returning. It will be good to do one big recruitment push for new people. They will have recruitment flyers at the OES/STC table at the Sustainability Expo, EnviroNews, and a press release. Kristi could use commissioners’ help in promoting. It will close around March 12th, interviews will be April 12th, for youth it’s 16-18.
  - Still looking for more volunteers because they are doing two events spaces at the Expo, if commissioners know people who might like to volunteer. Kristi will send out links tomorrow for volunteers and vendors.
  - Code innovation fund raiser accidentally on 3 day weekend so it’s been rescheduled
  - Next month will discuss EAP progress report and get a Healthy homes update from Pat Babbitt

- **Public Comment**
  
  None.

- **Objectives for Next Meeting**
  
  No objectives were set.

- **Adjournment**
  
  The meeting adjourned at 5:35pm.

The next meeting of the Sustainable Tacoma Commission will be Tuesday March 14th from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., Tacoma Municipal Building, 747 Market Street, 9th Floor Visibility Center.