

New Tacoma Neighborhood Council Meeting of May 14th 2008

MOTION by Bill Garl 2nd by DReese to amend Agenda to move Ryan Petty's presentation to the beginning of the order per his timely request was discussed and Passed w/ 1Nay vote.

MOTION by Bill G., 2nd Traci K. To approve minutes as amended. Passed.

MOTION to accept Treasurer's Report – Bill G. 2nd Denny F. also noted records are available for review upon request, Passed.

Board Members Present: Marty Campbell, Eric Crittenden, Denny Faker, Bill Garl, Dalton Gittens, Mae Harris, Rollie Herman, Traci Kelly, Darion Reese, Jacob Rose, Kate Rose, Brett Santhuff and Mar-Le Wendt

Guests Present: Scott Strine , Jon Marrone, Chelsea Levy, Roxanne Miles, Eunice and Glen Evanger, Grace Pleasants, Keith Stone, Roger Iwata, Jodi Mitchell, Bob Levin, Pierson Clair, Tim Close, Ted Johnson, Milt Tremblay, Jim Merritt, Stan Selden, Carol Sander and Thomas Johnson.

Need to appoint new board member, candidate Ian Morrison presented to board: He is, a Tacoma native who is a resident of our council district downtown and an advisor/ advocate for Governor Gregoire.

MOTION to accept Ian Morrison as board member by Bill 2nd by Rollie H. Passed.

Elton Gatewood- Innovative Grants Summaries distributed for review with a June 30,2008 recommendation request to the City of Tacoma. We need to take action at next regular board meeting .AlsoThere' s a GIS System workshop being presented, see cityoftacoma.org for more info.

Roxanne Miles,MetroParksTacoma monthly newsletter chock full of summer events.

OFC Chris Travis TPD- Significant events were Smash the Ice Protest with some vandalism / Disorder Response Team was dispatched and the crowd disbursed./ downtown set missions and hot pops are still ongoing per theSector LT's comprehensive plan./ 21st St. drive-by shooting investigation/ also working on fencing below I-705 ramp to deter homeless encampments.

Larry Steiner,Tacoma Fire- * Kids' Fair had 800+ participants *Emphasis this year on fireworks prevention along with TPD enforcement. *June 3,2008 new CERT class will be starting sign up right away.* Firefighter Proby Apps. Available at all stations in April 2008 154 fires 2,462 EMS calls up by 100 from previous year. TIP of the MONTH: Make alist of all your important documents and their locations in case of emergency.

CITIZENS' FORUM

Ryan Petty-Community and Economic Development Dept.: Prairie Line Urban Trail- City wants BNSF to give us tha trail(see powerpoint handout) but prices are up and we can't afford to buy it. It would connect Watrer Ditch trail to waterfront.* city signs Memorandum of agreement on closure of "A" St.

*90 days after "D" street overpass is reopened "A" street is closed * 2 new pedestrian overpasses constructed to reach Foss waterway esplanade.Q: Is there any demonstrated public benefit or public support for this plan? A: DBrown of Public Works said that BNSF would transfer title to City.Q: Is there an active rail line through "A" street? A: Rail line has been inactive since 2000 Q: "A" street closing causes negative impact? Comment: K Stone- closing city streets always causes negative impact. Comment: James Balby: Compound curve to control train speed because of possible public safety hazard due to curve depth.

Discussion of Public process at Mystic Mocha Café 26th and "D"st.at 7:30am Re: 80 ft. width option.

Donna Stenger/ Brian Boudet City of Tacoma Planning Dept. MIXED USE CENTERS See powerpoint presentation handout. Dalton asked about view corridors being considered during planning process.Marty asked about streets being built out for retail. Justin – inquired re: policy requirements being lifted. City has agreed to work toward that in principal. [planning@ cityoftacoma.org](mailto:planning@cityoftacoma.org) comments.

Lauren Walker Councilman District3 setting up stakeholders' meeting to be attended by boardmembersDalton Gittens, Eric Crittenden and Darion Reese from NTNC.

MetroParksTacoma- mending from CCOT vote and heard message being sent.

After much discussion the council came to the conclusion that enough had been said already and we should just move on with our business.

MOTION to adjourn BillG/2nd Kate Rose 7:48pm