

New Tacoma Neighborhood Council  
November 12, 2025  
Meeting Minutes  
Tacoma Public Library  
1102 Tacoma Ave. S., Tacoma WA 98402

**Call to order and Member attendance:** 5:30

**Board Members Attending:** Tim Fairley, Tom Ebenhoh, Tony Polimeni, Jordan Burman  
Attendance roster available with those attending in person/on Zoom.

**Approval:** November Agenda.

**Treasurers Report:** Forthcoming.

**Public Forum:** None. Interactive conversations with Staff/presenters/Board members during the meeting.

**Staff Reports**

Staff reports included Tacoma Fire, Tacoma Police, City Manager's Office, Parks Tacoma, Pierce Transit, Tacoma Public Library.

**New Business:**

Tacoma Rescue Mission briefed on TRM Shelter Expansion and other updates. Some interactive conversations on their outreach programs, volunteer opportunities, and 2026.

Dr. JoAnne Iverson and students from St. Martin's University briefed on Stroke Awareness and Prevention. There were some conversations surrounding prevention and further outreach in Tacoma.

NTNC Board discussed next steps, based on input from community/businesses in the NT footprint the significant impact of downtown Parking fees (metered). There is a Parking Technical Advisory Committee (PTAC) for volunteers as an option to join. Board is advocating for the City to eliminate parking fees downtown (metered). There is considerable feedback on the impact of the fees and benefits of free parking to community/businesses. More to follow.

NTNC has received considerable input on Graffiti/Trash/Code Compliance along the downtown Tacoma rail and roles/responsibilities to maintain (WA DOT/BNSF/City of Tacoma). Board is advocating that the 3 parties come to a written agreement. Tacoma Code Compliance business card with contact information was provided to the Board and some in attendance that requested it. Volunteers within the community do periodic graffiti and trash clean up. However, long term solution is having an MOA/U between parties.

Motion to nominate Jordan, Tim, Tom, Karlee (absent), Angela (absent), Tony for December elections as – motion approved. Sarah (Board Secretary) resigned.

**Community Announcements:**

City of Tacoma is celebrating its 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Tom/Tim provided an update on the Thea's Park Peace Plaza Restoration (Buy a Brick) in partnership with Sister Cities and Parks Tacoma. Parties anticipate Spring 2026 to start the project.

New Tacoma Neighborhood Council was honored as the recipient of the 2025 Civic Leader Award from the Chamber of Commerce. NTNC looks forward to developing their 2026 Action Plan.

Tim/Tom were panel members representing community (NTNC) perspectives in a UWT Urban Studies Course. The students' project focused on the Sound Transit Light Rail Extension to Tacoma. Both plan on attending the students' project presentations.

Announcements made on upcoming Free Turkey Give Away at Tacoma Dome and People's Community Center.

**NTNC Bylaws:** Finalizing review; anticipate December 2025 vote to approve  
**NTNC Survey/Mail Chimp/Organizational E-Mail:** More to follow.

**Council Reports:**

**CCoT: None.**

**Reports from the Neighborhood: None**

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, December 10, 2025 (Holiday Social).

**Adjournment:** 7:15 (est)