



New Tacoma Neighborhood Council
June 10, 2026
Meeting Minutes
Tacoma Public Library
1102 Tacoma Ave. S., Tacoma WA 98402

Call to order and Member attendance: 5:45

Board Members Attending: Tim Fairley, Tom Ebenhoh, Jordan Burman, Angela Jossy
Tony Polimeni
Attendance on/about 25 including Board/Guests, those in person, or those that may not have signed in.
Introductions of Board/attendees were conducted as the beginning of the meeting.

Approval: June Agenda, May Meeting Minutes

Treasurers Report: No report; deferred for adequate Guest/Spotlight Speaker time

Public Forum: There were considerable interactive conversations with Staff/presenters/Board members during the meeting.

Staff Reports

Tacoma Police: Briefing included, not limited to, emphasis on street racing, FIFA World Cup/Parade and 4th of July plans, use of 311 versus 911 in reporting, trends and stats within NTNC footprint, hot spot areas, staffing, emphasis patrols, increases in burglaries around 21st and Pacific Ave., and interactive Q&A

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Tacoma Fire: Briefing included, not limited to, monthly safety tips, an emphasis on fire safety in the summer season, 4th of July fireworks are not permitted, and the use of 311 versus 911 for reporting

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City Manager's Office Report: Briefing included, but not limited to, overview of upcoming meetings and City Manager/Council items encouraging audience to visit the city web site for more information, upcoming events such as FIFA World Cup/Viewing, 4th of July celebration, and Prairie Line Ribbon Cutting on June 13.

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Port of Tacoma: Briefing included, but not limited to, Port tours and other events, the largest ship ever in the port and explained more specifics about the ship and its purpose, and handed out flyers for different upcoming events

www.portoftacoma.com

Tacoma Public Library: Highlighted upcoming events, the library having a blood pressure self-check machine, June Pride events, information about the library and encouraged the audience to view the library site for more information

www.tacomalibrary.org

New Business:

City of Tacoma Mayor Anders Ibsen, provided an update which included, but not limited to, current and future city actions, encouraged the audience to attend the council and other meetings and to be engaged, a city survey, forthcoming ballot for the Connect Tacoma Safe Street and Sidewalks levy, open office hours, Litter 253 program, native plants for Tacoma, landscape designs to mitigate crime and crime reduction, and a budget update. He addressed audience questions on graffiti removal and more US flags being displayed in the city, especially for significant holidays such as Veteran's Day and 4th of July

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Community Announcements/Spotlights:

Isha Trivedi, City Hall Reporter, The News Tribune, provided a very informative presentation about her role and what her position does for the city, resources and contact information, and encouraged the audience to reach out on what other stories she could cover. She provided business cards to audience members

www.thenewstribune.com

NTNC / Sister Cities/Parks Tacoma: Thea's Park Peace Plaza Buy a Brick (restoring Peace Plaza) kickoff. Presented information/flyers on the Buy a Brick campaign, will be doing a segment specific to this project on City Line 6/11 with Sister Cities, announcement of grant funding received for the project, and next steps which includes meeting with Parks Tacoma. More to follow at future meetings

www.tacomasistercities.org

www.newtacoma.org

www.parkstacoma.gov

New Tacoma Neighborhood Council Board Business and Community surveys. June launching along different platforms along with a Facebook poll supplementing the survey. Encourage participation and response to questions/feedback for the Board. Survey will run through December in preparation to capture data for the 2027 Board Action Planning

Downtown Tacoma Partnership: Briefed on upcoming events, Block Party on August 2 with volunteers needed, briefed about what the organization does for community and businesses, and encouraged the audience to sign up for their newsletter and visit the web site

Council Reports: Confirming vote / concurring to open another New Tacoma Neighborhood Council bank account specific to the Community Initiatives funds such as grants and the New Tacoma Neighbors Fund which flyers are available and information on the application is available on FB and will be added to the New Tacoma web site

Community Council of Tacoma Updates: None

Reports from the Neighborhood: None

Next Meeting: Wednesday, July 8, 2026

Adjournment: 7:00 (est)