

**Minutes**  
**Joint Municipal Action Committee**  
**Quarterly Meeting**  
Friday, September 14, 2018  
8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.  
Tacoma Municipal Building, Conference Room 248

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Connie Ladenburg called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

**ROLL CALL – JMAC COMMITTEE**

Connie Ladenburg, Chair, Pierce County  
Tim Reid, Metro Parks Tacoma  
Anders Ibsen, City of Tacoma  
Debbie Winskill, Tacoma Public Schools

**GUEST INTRODUCTIONS**

Forterra: Jordan Rash, Nick Bratton  
Pierce County: Catherine Rudolph  
Metro Parks Tacoma: Shon Sylvia, Joe Brady, Andrea Smith, Debbie Terwilleger, Peter Mayer  
Tacoma Public Schools: Carla Santorno  
Port of Tacoma: Evette Mason, Lisa Yost  
Tacoma Public Utilities: Anita Gallagher  
City of Tacoma: Elizabeth Pauli, Randy Lewis

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

It was moved and seconded that the agenda be approved; passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of July 13, 2018 be approved; passed unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEMS**

Forterra Land Study/Asset Map Project

Presenters: Jordan Rash and Nicholas Bratton, Forterra

Introduction by Jordan Rash. Forterra is a nonprofit organization dedicated to sustainability of this region. There is a social impact fund created to secure land for community or social benefit, things that the private market place does not adequately cover. Public land use needs to be worked on by municipal partners coming together.

We are identifying properties that are covered and looking for ways to partner. Currently, there is no coordinated strategy in managing the assets, so they created a map showing all publicly owned parcels to find opportunities to partner in deploying these resources.

Presentation by Nick Bratton. This is a collaborative effort of interagency partnership to identify use of public lands to benefit multiple goals. The outcome is going to be a general asset map that identifies the areas and a general implementation strategy for everyone to work together. The deliverables will be different for each organization but meet the needs of the community. A final report will be generated to provide data and synthesize the information.

JMAC Community Asset Map shows areas of public land identified by levels of service to identify different needs. The map is used to identify specific needs so that different offices can work together. All agencies will have access to this map to use in planning. We will inform locations of economic development.

Next steps: complete GIS work, outreach, identify deliverables and implementation.

There will be outreach to target groups to serve their needs.

A real-life example would include identifying opportunities to partner on a joint venture to building something. We want to identify where services are lacking to start work there and reach out to landowners to see if they are interested. We need to get different organizations together to improve the city.

Outreach suggestions taken: Rank and file people, not just regular groups that we reach out to, and other contacts as provided.

## **DISCUSSION OF MUTUAL INTERESTS AND CONCERNS/FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER**

### CEO Updates:

Carla Santorno, Tacoma School District: Tacoma school district supports the teachers during negotiations and explained why it was a difficult situation. Calculations for the formulas were different, levy decreased dramatically. Statewide school districts are affected. We are ready to heal and move on.

Elizabeth Pauli, City of Tacoma: Evaluating needs of the community, City of Tacoma. To educate about the proposed budget, hearing topics like homelessness, public safety. Shared specifics of what the city has done and is doing for the homeless situation.

Connie Ladenburg, Pierce County: Homeless discussion continued about affordable housing being a contributor to homelessness.

Shon Sylvia, Metro Parks: New display opened at the zoo. Eastside Community center is opening soon. Ruston Way, Swan Creek are in the works. Looking at Sounders stadium, school support efforts, and assessing areas to add parks.

Evette Mason, Port of Tacoma: Thanks to Connie Ladenburg regarding the sub-area plan. NWSA / POS / POT management updates. We are searching for a new CEO for the Port of Tacoma and are moving ahead with WWL.

Catherine Rudolph, Pierce County: Stabilizing middle-class housing is a focus. Improve jobs/housing balance and expanding housing in Pierce county. Manufactured housing options are being looked at as well.

## **SETTING OF NEXT MEETING AGENDA**

Parks on Thea Foss being developed – report on this from the Foss waterway development authority.

Anders Ibsen suggested electric car study topic for next agenda, having someone from WA DOT and Tacoma Power to present.

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Legislative Agenda – November quarterly meeting  
Pierce Transit and JMAC Discussion  
Whole Child Initiative Follow-up  
Child Dependency – Foster Care – Remann Hall (Connie Ladenburg w/TJ Bohl)  
Community Workforce (Benefits) Agreement (Metro Parks Tacoma)  
Tacoma Dome Link Light Rail Extension (Sound Transit)  
Address Poverty from a Governmental Standpoint  
Affordable Housing  
Sub-Area Plan – Tideflats Area  
IDEA  
Workforce Development  
South Sound 911/Emergency Management  
Continue Mental Health Conversation  
Youth Mental Health Issues: Trafficking, Housing/Shelters, Gangs, Drugs, etc.  
Economic Development Growth and Impacts  
Trades, Apprenticeships, and Regional Partnerships (Tacoma SD, Bates, City)

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Friday, October 12, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. in Conference Room 248 at the Tacoma Municipal Building.

- November 9, 2018 Quarterly Meeting – Legislative Agenda
- December 14, 2018 Regular Meeting

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Connie Ladenburg adjourned the meeting at 9:25 a.m.