

**Minutes**  
**Joint Municipal Action Committee**  
**Quarterly Meeting**  
**February 10, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Vice-Chair Anders Ibsen called the meeting to order at 8:09 a.m.

**ROLL CALL-JMAC COMMITTEE**

Anders Ibsen, Vice-Chair, City of Tacoma  
Andrea Cobb, Tacoma Public Schools  
Connie Ladenburg, Pierce County

**GUEST INTRODUCTIONS**

City of Tacoma: Marty Campbell, Mark Lauzier, Anita Gallagher  
Metro Parks Tacoma: Shon Sylvia, Hunter George, Jessie Baines  
Tacoma Public Schools: Carla Santorno, Tonya Beattie  
Port of Tacoma: Evette Mason  
Pierce County: Tiffany Speir  
Pierce Transit: Sue Dreier, Rebecca Japhet


**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Connie Ladenburg moved to approve the agenda. Marty Campbell seconded the motion. The chair declared the motion passed.


**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Marty Campbell moved to approve the minutes of January 13, 2017. Connie Ladenburg seconded the motion. The chair declared the motion passed.

**AGENDA ITEMS**

 Election of 2017 JMAC Officers  
Marty Campbell moved to nominate Anders Ibsen as Chair. Connie Ladenburg seconded the motion. The chair declared the motion passed.

Marty Campbell moved to nominate Connie Ladenburg as Vice-Chair. Andrea Cobb seconded the motion. The chair declared the motion passed.

 Pierce Transit Presentation  
Sue Dreier, CEO of Pierce Transit presented an overview of Pierce Transit. Major initiatives include electric buses by 2018, mobility on demand grant, high capacity transit, and Downtown to Defiance Trolley. Key messages include service improvements, and restructured and restored service.

## CEO Updates

Carla Santorno, Superintendent, Tacoma Public Schools, provided an update on current legislative issues that could have potentially dramatic impacts on school district budgets such as the McCleary decision, education funding statewide and the upcoming expiration of Levy dollars collected through local property taxes. She also provided an update on the recent local mumps cases and how the Department of Health is guiding their actions. Lastly Ms. Santorno highlighted new school buildings that have opened recently such as McCarver and Wainwright and ones that are opening soon such as Stewart and SAMI.

Shon Sylvia, Executive Director, Metro Parks Tacoma, provided an update on the Eastside Community Center project, Foss Waterway parks, youth sports partnerships and changes to the 1% cap on property tax collection for economic stability.

Evette Mason, Local Government Affairs, Port of Tacoma, provided an update on major projects including the Puget Sound Energy LNG facility, the Prologis warehouse, as well as the Pier 4 pile driving. The cause of the massive sea gull deaths and illness in January is still being investigated. The Port 2017 Goals will be announced soon. Strategic Plan work will begin this spring.

Mark Lauzier, Assistant City Manager, City of Tacoma provided an update on current City priorities which include addressing homelessness, chronic underemployment and unemployment in younger adults, and food innovation district. The City is also developing a task force to address issues regarding immigrants and refugees. The McCarver railroad crossing project is gathering stakeholder and community input. Recruitment for a permanent replacement for the City Manager position is underway.

Connie Ladenburg, Council Member, Pierce County provided an update regarding the new County Executive. One of his top priorities is regional economic development.

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

No items were discussed.

## **SETTING OF NEXT MEETING AGENDA**

Potential agenda items will be emailed to the Chair.

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Homeless Encampments (City, County Agencies)
- 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, Apprenticeship, Regional Partnerships (Tacoma SD, Bates, City)

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Friday, March 10, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. in Conference Room 248 at the Tacoma Municipal Building. Minutes for March to be taken by Tacoma Public Schools.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Anders Ibsen adjourned the meeting at 9:05 a.m.