

Mayor's Youth Commission of Tacoma 2/19/2022 General Assembly Minutes

Start time: 3:05pm

End time: 4:32pm

Attendees: Tara Ryan, Tara Zolfaghari, Heaven Galvan, Aries Alejandre, Ashley Brewster, Zoha Ahmad, Isha Hussein, Kylee, Joseph Muller

Liaisons: Ted Richardson, Leandra Shelton, Joe Franco

Visit from Mayor Woodards and Pat Babbitt of the Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability

- Mayor presented a brief overview
- Pat gave a brief history and update
- Timeline:
 - **2022 – 2024:** all 64 CAP actions
 - **2022:** “jump-start” community-focused CAP actions, municipal operations actions
 - **May – November 2022:** 2023-2024 biennial City budget & American Rescue Plan funding decisions
 - **April 2023:** first CAP progress report
 - **2024-2030:** draft and then implement new CAP actions

Jump-Start Actions	Type of Action	2022 Funding Proposal
3. Fund 10 community food access projects	Community Support	\$25,000 (+ \$40,000 existing)
40. Establish, fund, and implement right-of-way tree maintenance & planting program	Program	\$100,000
4. Support community & youth -serving organizations & climate justice leaders	Community Support	\$25,000
17. Improve land use density bonuses and tax credits to require sustainability	Policy	NA
13. Develop and implement a plan to fund, prioritize, and complete the City's network of sidewalks, curb ramps, Safe Routes to School improvements, and bike connections by 2050.	Planning & Infrastructure	\$50,000 for Design Manual Improvements
14. Support and create single and multi-family low carbon, healthy retrofit solutions	Programming & Planning	\$50,000 for Program planning
15. Improve commercial energy codes to reduce most fossil fuel use	Policy - Study	\$50,000
24. Develop and support programs for food waste prevention	Staffing & Programming	Existing ES funding
38. Increase City capacity to grow green economy partnerships and resources	Staffing & Programming	\$100,000 for Green Economy Strategy development
42. Partner to distribute clean air kits , including filter fans.	Community Support	\$30,000

Question about Decarbonization Resolution: decarbonize city buildings, process, and fleet and fuel. But also, how can we decarbonize the community? Currently doing a study to understand how to better to do that.

Have other cities looked into consumption emissions? King County has estimated that consumption doubles overall emissions of an area.

Are we on track with the timeline laid out in the CAP? And elaborate on training future Climate Justice leaders. Yes, on track. Working with representatives from each City departments. Met with MYCT sub-committee and other groups.

- Tara rec: BIPOC youth group met in King County – United Way of King County & Soar Youth Commission – to discuss how to better get involved in this issue: [Youth Tell All \(Final\) \(google.com\)](#)

When will climate leaders be funded? About 6-8 months. Will keep in touch.

Climate Action Plan community focused actions: [Section 2.pdf \(cityoftacoma.org\)](#)

Other Questions for Mayor:

- How will statewide end to mask mandate affect Tacoma? We've had opportunity to work closely with governor. Mayor's plan to stick with what governor's plan as Tacoma has the whole time. TPCHD director will be recommending masks but not requiring them.
- How will City support people/groups/businesses affected by COVID? End to utility shutoff moratorium because of lots of resources still for community members. 2nd round of \$31 million in ARPA funding coming this year.

Boeing Sponsorship

- Combine with Summit to host a session

Conversation on Graduate Tacoma/Youth Commission Summit

- April 4-6
- Youth Summit specifically takes place on April 6
- <https://chartingourfuture.co>
- Free for students, food available, swag, cool speakers
- **QUESTION: What topics and groups would you like to see at summit??**

Committee Reports

- **Environmental Health** – Beach Cleanup and met with Pat at OEPS to discuss the CAP
- **Justice & Safety** – Teens Across Tacoma meetings

5th Grade Group Work

May beach cleanup in partnership with 5th graders to help them learn about civic engagement and do a community service project