



**City of Tacoma
Transportation Commission**

Bruce Morris, Co-Chair, District 4
Matt Stevens Co-Chair, At-Large
Richard Gardner, At-Large
Erin Anderson, At-Large
Troy Serad, At-Large
Joe Korbuszewski, District 1
Rubén Casas, District 2
Austin Goble, District 3
Penny Grellier, District 5
Gerrit Nyland, City Manager Appointed
Pamela Wrenn, City Manager Appointed

FINAL Minutes

Meeting: Transportation Commission
Time: Wednesday, February 15, 2023 at 5:30 P.M.
Place: Hybrid: 747 Market Street, Room 243 or Zoom

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I. Call to Order

*Co-Chair Nyland called the meeting to order at 5:30PM.
CM Grellier was sworn in by Doris Sorum, City Clerk.*

II. Roll Call

All Commissioners were present. (Commissioner Casas arrived at 5:45.)

III. Review of Minutes (January 18, 2023)

The Commission approved the minutes as provided.

CM Stevens moved to approve the minutes. CM Serad seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following vote:

Ayes: 8 – Morris, Gardner, Serad, Stevens, Korbuszewski, Goble, Anderson, Grellier

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Non-Voting: Nyland, Wrenn

IV. Public Comment on Agenda Topics

No members of the public provided comments.

V. Business Items (5:45)

a) Elections (Vote) – Co-Chair Nyland

At the January 18, 2023 meeting, Co-Chair Morris and CM Stevens were nominated for the 2023 Co-Chair positions. There were no additional nominations or discussion. The motion passed with the following vote:

Ayes: 8 – Morris, Gardner, Serad, Stevens, Korbuszewski, Goble, Anderson, Grellier

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Non-Voting: Nyland, Wrenn



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- b) 2024 Transportation Master Plan Update (Discussion) – Carrie Wilhelme, Public Works
Carrie Wilhelme, Senior Transportation Planner, provided an overview of the Transportation Master Plan (TMP), which is kicking-off in February 2023 and will conclude in December 2024. The overview included the role of the TMP in planning for growth locally and regionally, and reflecting community and city priorities. The TMP update is a coordinated effort with the Puget Sound Regional Council mandated Comprehensive Plan update that Planning and Development Services, Long Range Planning will be leading.

The Commission asked how other jurisdictions/agencies might be involved in reviewing or collaborating with the City on the plan, including WSDOT.

The Commission briefly discussed scoping topics to consider as part of the TMP update. Topics included strengthening equity and correcting past inequities in disadvantaged communities, incorporating recently adopted subarea plans/initiatives/data (micromobility, Tacoma Mall Subarea Plan, etc), re-evaluating enforcement impacts, and re-evaluating 20 minute neighborhoods.

- c) Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program (Information and Discussion) – Jennifer Kammerzell, Public Works
Jennifer Kammerzell, Assistant Division Manager, provided an overview of the Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), including the program’s requirements, purpose, background, and examples of projects included. The TIP serves as an inventory of projects and a rough work plan for the development of local transportation systems and, as such, represents an important planning component under the State’s Growth Management Act. Jennifer reported how projects in the current TIP tie-in to the Transportation Master Plan and receive funding. She noted that the TIP is updated annually and may not reflect the number or scale of projects completed elsewhere or serving other modes.

The Commission asked how projects tie-in to other plans, such as the Climate Action Plan or Subarea Plans, and for a summary of projects by Council District. The Commission was encouraged to provide additional comments or questions via email.

VI. Other Business/Updates

- a) Bus Rapid Transit Citizens Committee (Richard Gardner)
Richard reported that no meeting has been held but will be starting the meeting soon.
- b) Pacific Avenue Subarea Plan (Richard Gardner)
CM Gardner reported that the first meeting was held in February. They are looking for at least 15 members on the Committee. CM Gardner requested a back-up.
- c) Bicycle Pedestrian Technical Advisory Group (Joe Korbuszewski)
CM Korbuszewski reported that the group discussed challenges with bike facilities on Portland Ave, proposed legislation, and a future improvement at Jackson and the Scott Pierson Trail.

VII. Staff Reports

- a) Staff Updates



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Carrie shared that the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Council Committee is requesting a joint presentation with Planning Commission and Sustainable Tacoma Commission in October. The Commission requested staff to add transit oriented development to the work plan.

b) **Status of Grant Applications and Major Capital Projects**

Carrie reported that the City is awaiting the award status of the I-5 Crossing Study for the Reconnecting Communities Grant.

c) **Upcoming Public Meetings and Events**

No new upcoming public meetings were provided.

VIII. Commissioner Comments

CM Gardner reported on a recent walk taken on the Pipeline Trail Phase III.

IX. Public Comment

No members of the public provided comment.

X. Adjourn (7:30)

Co-Chair Nyland adjourned the meeting at 7:23 PM.





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