



**City of Tacoma
Transportation Commission**

Matt Stevens, Co-Chair, At-Large
Bruce Morris, Co-Chair, District 4
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
Pamela Wrenn, City Manager Appointed
Gerrit Nyland, City Manager Appointed

FINAL Minutes

Meeting: Regular Meeting
Time: Wednesday, April 19 at 5:30 P.M.
Place: Virtual, Zoom

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I. Call to Order

Co-Chair Stevens called the meeting to order at 5:31 PM.

II. Roll Call/Introductions

Co-Chair Morris was an excused absence.

Approval of Minutes (March 15, 2023)

CM Nyland moved to approve the March 15, 2023 meetings. CM Anderson seconded the motion. The Commission approved the minutes as provided.

Ayes: 7 – Gardner, Serad, Casas, Anderson, Grellier, Goble, Stevens

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Non-Voting: Nyland, Wrenn

III. Public Comment on Agenda Topics

No members of the public provided comments.

IV. Business Items

a) Tacoma 2030 Climate Action Plan Update

Kristin Lynnett, Sustainable Tacoma Coordinator, presented the 2030 Climate Action Plan (CAP). She presented Greenhouse Gas Emission (GHG) trends in Tacoma and impacts. She provided an overview of the 2030 milestones related to reducing GHG, which includes increasing Electric Vehicle use and decreasing gas powered vehicles. Kristin shared 2030 indicators that impact mobility and land use, including eliminating fatalities and serious injuries from collisions and increasing miles of sidewalk.



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The 2030 CAP is a citywide document that is reported on regularly. Key next steps include hiring implementation staff, ramping up programs and engagement, implementing a Green Economy workplan and Building Decarbonization Strategy, and increase resiliency measures. CM Casas asked what role Kristin sees the Commission plays in supporting and implementing the CAP. Kristin noted that the Sustainable Tacoma Commission will be prioritizing specific actions in the CAP for future work plans and would include the work in their regular discussions with the Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Council Committee (IPS). CM Wren noted that tracking infrastructure improvements, including miles of new sidewalk and bike facilities, should be a priority. The Commission also requested and discussed a future meeting agenda item on quick build projects and data tracking. Co-Chair Stevens made a motion for the Commission to review the Sustainable Tacoma Commission letter and provide a letter of support and comment to IPS. CM Wren seconded the motion. Discussion included reviewing the CAP at the next meeting and identify the Commission's priorities.

b) **Transportation Master Plan Update**

Carrie Wilhelme, Senior Transportation Planner, presented an overview of the Comprehensive Plan Update including the Transportation Master Plan (TMP). Carrie provided a brief overview of the purpose and need to determine the scope of the TMP update. The proposed timeline for scoping includes April (data, mapping, and engagement), June (draft scoping assessment), July-August (input on scoping assessment), and September (final scoping assessment). The Commission discussed upcoming projects and updates that may impact the TMP update, stakeholders, and data/mapping needs. The Commission added other areas of focus or concern that should be included in the TMP update. Prioritizing frequent, safe, and connected pedestrian and bicycle facilities was a consistent area of concern. Commissioners were asked to provide additional comments to Carrie.

V. Other Business/Updates

- a) **Bus Rapid Transit Citizens Committee (Richard Gardner)** – *CM Gardner reported that the Pierce Transit Board Special Meeting was not held.*
- b) **Picture Pacific Ave Committee (Richard Gardner, Troy Serad)** – *CM Gardner shared that the focus of the meeting was to discuss recommended community engagement strategies.*
- c) **Bicycle Pedestrian Technical Advisory Group (Joe Korbuszewski, Jennifer Kammerzell)** – *CM Korbuszewski reported that BPTAG discussed the upcoming launch of electric bike share, Bike Month activities, and updates to the TMP related to active transportation.*

VI. Staff Reports

- a) **Responses to Commission Inquiries and Staff Comments**
Carrie and Commission discussed a potential scope of the future advisory group that will consist of members of the Planning Commission and Transportation Commission.
- b) **Status of Grant Applications and Major Capital Projects**
Carrie shared that the city will be applying for the Safe Streets for All grant for Accessible Pedestrian Signals, Leading Pedestrian Intervals, and other intersection improvements consistent with Vision Zero.



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c) Upcoming Public Meetings and Events

The following events were noted: Bike Month, Earth Day, and T-Town.

VII. Commissioner Comments

CM Goble requested an update on the sidewalk bevelling program.

CM Gardner shared an upcoming project that includes decommissioning a Tacoma Rail line.

CM Nyland reiterated a request for an agenda topic that includes WSDOT maintenance.

VIII. Public Comment

CM Goble provided comment on behalf of his neighbors.

IX. Adjourn

Co-Chair Stevens adjourned the meeting at 7:31 PM.



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