

Hilltop Action Coalition
Area-Wide Meeting – March 20, 2017

Notes/Minutes

Brendan Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

Board members present: Brendan Nelson, Ashley Sutton, William Towey, Teresa Jackson, Christina Blocker, Jo Davies, Jennifer Schaal.

Brendan asked everyone to “like” us on Facebook so they receive notices of meetings and other events.

Brendan noted that the HAC Office is now staffed Monday through Friday from 10:00am to 2:00pm. Our new HAC Office Administrator Jennifer Stolle (pronounced stolly), will be in the office Tuesday-Friday and Brendan will be there Mondays.

William asked everyone to take several copies of the Hilltop Action Journal home with them and put them in the hands of neighbors and friends.

Eric Huseby (Tacoma Residential Parking Program)

<http://www.cityoftacoma.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=169&pageId=116291>

- Program is the result of three years of outreach to neighborhoods
- There is a Parking Technical Advisory Group (PTAG)
- The program is meant to protect neighborhoods from parking issues from outside sources, not from internal neighborhood issues such as one neighbor having multiple vehicles
- Tacoma is divided up into 13 parking zones
- Enrollment in the program is optional; everyone in the impacted neighborhood gets to vote “yay” or “nay,” but a “yay” vote does not obligate them to paying the fee
- Annual fee is \$60 but there is low income assistance
- To apply for the program, you must have a documented parking problem with at least 30% of the parking coming from outside sources
- (Two handouts were provided at the meeting; please see HAC office for copies)

Lauren Flemister (Tacoma Affordable Housing Infill Program) cityoftacoma.org/Infill

- Program provides assistance in establishing affordable housing via four different types of structures:
 - Detached Accessory Dwelling Units (DADU)
 - Two Family Housing
 - Multi-Family Housing
 - Cottage Housing
- This program is part of the City’s 2025 Strategic Plan and the Comprehensive Plan

- The goal is to improve housing choices, with smaller footprints, greater innovation in housing, and greater affordability of housing
- Most applications will result in conditional use permits, which allows for more dialogue and input from the community
- They would like to see more input from the Hilltop!
- Program presentations are being held at all the neighborhood councils from March through May
- Tiny houses are not eligible right now but the City is working on that

Greg Benner (Tacoma Whole Child Initiative)

http://depts.washington.edu/csstac/project_twci.html

- Video of students and teachers at Franklin Elementary was shown
- The Initiative (TWCI) plans to embed principles into every school and every support organization in Tacoma
- TWCI is based on five pillars of Respect, Responsibility, Caring, Safety and Learning
- The program has been very successful in substantially increasing graduation rates
- 60% of students who graduate in Tacoma will stay in Tacoma, and become our future caretakers
- The program teaches students to respect teachers and teachers to respect students
- Find TWCI on Facebook and Twitter
- Greg: gbenner@uw.edu 253-692-4621

Lt Standifer (Tacoma PD)

- Two incidences of shots fired last weekend: one at 2300 S L St and one at 1100 S M St, casings were found but no one hurt, TPD would appreciate any info on these incidents
- Waiting for the City's CPTED (Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design) report on the Stop Mart at MLK and 15th, to move through the process of correcting this public nuisance

Next Area-Wide Meeting: Monday, April 17

- Topics planned for the April 17 meeting include:
 - Sea Mar Community Health Care presentation
 - Hilltop Healthy Homes and Neighborhoods
- Please see the HAC Community Calendar for the Area-Wide schedule and other events, available at the HAC Office and website

Brendan adjourned the meeting at 7:30 pm.

Submitted by Jennifer Schaal, March 20, 2017.