



**Minutes of Tacoma Central Neighborhood Council Forum
September 6, 2018, 7:00 pm**

Tacoma Nature Center
1919 S. Tyler St.
Tacoma, WA 98405

Board Attendees: Charles Mann, Tobias Nitzsche, Doug Schafer,
Roxie Nichols, Tiffany Y'vonne and Luis Alonzo (remotely).
Room Count: 34

At 6:57 pm, Chair Charles Mann convened the forum and welcomed attendees. He described virtually accessing the meeting via GoToMeeting and Facebook, displayed associated URLs and displayed the Council's website URL (www.cnc-tacoma.com), Facebook page URL (facebook.com/cnctacoma/) and new Facebook group URL (facebook.com/groups/tacomacnc/). Charles invited attendees to introduce themselves, discussed a summary of the neighborhood council program and information about Tacoma Central Neighborhood Council. With an audience substantially populated with City officials and employees, Charles invited attendees to share any concerns. When nobody spoke, Charles expressed concerns about parking on S 21st adjacent to McCarver School.

7:06 pm. Councilman Keith Blocker spoke about City Council matters. He announced there will be additional community meetings for citizens to learn about and provide City budget input. City Council is considering an ordinance to provide tenant relief, such as requiring a greater notice period for certain tenancy changes and requiring landlords to inform tenants of their rights. Mr. Blocker stated that Valhalla Hall, on MLK, is nearing completion with eight of its units being affordable. The City Council is working on a chronic nuisance ordinance (addressing drug houses, prostitution, etc.). The City is a funding participants for the new Allenmore behavioral health facility (S 19th and Union) meant to address a significant, county-wide, mental health services requirement. He responded to a question about a City initiative to facilitate increased residential density by zoning and land use ordinance changes.

7:22 pm. Charles introduced City Manager Elizabeth Pauli who was invited to present the City's budget planning process. She gave an informative presentation, accompanied with graphics, about the City's engagement to identify citizens' priorities. The City's general fund, from which many services are expensed, is about \$460 million.

8:03 pm. City Manager liaison, Rebecca Boydston, did not supplement Councilman Blocker's and City Manager Pauli's presentations. Metro Parks liaison, Ralph Thomas, announced the grand opening of Pacific Seas Aquarium at Point Defiance (www.pdza.org); separately, Metro Parks is providing child-care programs to address teacher-strike induced parental childcare requirements. A website, www.graduatetacoma.org, helps parents locate childcare facilities. Tacoma Fire Department liaison, Dave England, announced September is National [Emergency] Preparedness Month. TFD has a website with preparation tips: www.cityoftacoma.org/prepare. CPR Sunday will be October 14.

8:13 pm. Tacoma Police Community Liaison Officer, Imtiaz Norling, reported several crimes which had occurred in the Central neighborhood. Tacoma Police Community Relations Specialist, Jason Plute, conducted a survey supporting a developing community relations plan, soliciting attendee feedback about information citizens want to see or know about the police department.

8:32: Charles Mann highlighted calendar items on the reverse of tonight's agenda, illustrating numerous City news articles and reminding attendees of their ability to locate and view many Internet resources. For "Chair's Corner," Charles addressed a variety of volunteer opportunities, including the last 2018 Scott Pierson Trail cleanup (September 15) and volunteer help at local events. Charles invited participants to join future Central Neighborhood Council promotional door-belling/knocking.

8:39 pm. Charles adjourned the forum.

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Schafer, Board Secretary