

New Tacoma Neighborhood Council

Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 5:30 - 7:00 pm

People's Center, 1602 MLK, Jr. Way, Board Room - moving to Muni Bldg. starting in January!

Minutes

Call to order and introductions – Tom, Mae, Amber, Traci, Jori, Jo, Jordan, Rick, Hally
Visitor attendees – Shoko Yoshikawa, Sagar Ramachantra, Penny Grellier, Delia Flores,
Michael Fletcher, Lt Aguirre, Brian Tackett, Will Suarez, Adam Martin

Approval

Agenda	approved
Minutes (June)	approved
Treasurer's report -	\$1,318.20

Public Forum (10 minute limit)

Shoko Yoshikawa a resident on the Foss Esplanade and volunteer litter control along Dock Street, up the 15th Street Bridge and under 705, has gotten together with Charles Mann, Chair of CNC, and a couple of other people who do similar volunteer work, to discuss coordinating the effort city-wide. Mae spoke up to say that her neighborhood has a clean up group as well as Jo's 8th & I neighborhood group. It was decided at this time to find out what other neighborhoods in the New Tacoma Neighborhood Council boundaries have volunteer clean up crews and what their concerns and needs are, see where the voids are in litter control and figure out how to organize a more all in-compassing, equitable, volunteer system, with City support, can be implemented. Using Nextdoor.com as a way to contact others in NTNC may help. What about the Adopt-A-Spot program? Who is running it?

Staff Reports

--Tacoma Police Department - Lt. Gretchen Aguirre

Releases from NW State Hospital have caused an up tick in assaults especially around Evergreen College area. Major clean ups of encampments by the City is thru Neighborhood & Community Services.

--Will Suarez from City Manager's Office –

Announced the separation of Neighborhood & Community Services (NCS) from Economic Development Dept. Linda Stewart will be the Director of NCS and of course, Jeff Robinson is the Director of Econ Dev Dept.

--Tacoma Schools – Michael Fletcher, very difficult times with cut backs but many Tacoma Schools have been chosen by State as exemplary schools – Lincoln, SAMI, Sherman, 3 more...

--Pierce Transit - Penny reports Tac. Dome Sta. refurbishment will be done in early 2019, Holidays will be at Sunday schedule, voice opinions thru on-line PierceTransit survey. In Jan Dome Pay-to-Park Public Hearing at PT Board Mtg.

--Sound Transit – Sagar Ramachandra, Next Open House for Tacoma Dome Link Extension (TDLE) will be in March. With the EIS in the summer of '19. Jori asked whether citizens would be allowed to comment on the scoping of the EIS. Sagar said he would find out.

New Business

NTNC Board & Officer Elections unanimous for this slate –

Re-elected to the Board for another term - Tom, Jo, Mae and Haley

New and re-elected officers for the 2019 year

President- Amber

Vice Pres.- Jordan

Treasurer – Kelly

Secretary – shared – Jo and Jori

Comp Plan Input – Jori read a part of the application the Dome District is submitting for an amendment to the Transportation Element of the Comprehensive Plan. Then asked for a letter of support from NTNC. The vote was yes and a sample letter was read then given to Tom.

The Application is due by the 30th

NTNC Retreat – will be **January 19th at Katherine's Place 9-noon** Demographic form will be filled out there, the Annual up-date of the By-Laws and Annual Report will occur.

Meeting location was reiterated - Starting in January NTNC will meet at the Muni Building 747 Market Street Rm 248 in the hopes that our elected officials and other City staff will stop by more :)

Old Business

NTNC Bylaws – will take up at Retreat

NTNC Adopt-a-Spot – will designate a person to talk to City coordinator for this program

NTNC Mail Chimp (Jordan) - no time

Exec Mtgs will be 1st week of the month at 5:30pm either Tue, Wed or Thurs. starting in January.

Reports from Neighborhoods –

Jo – Go to corner of 8th and I and see that the grant did for lighting up the dark in the Park! Thank you for your support.

Hally – Downtown-on-the-Go promotes Tollefsen Plaza (Polar skating moved to Point Ruston) during the holidays with decorations and activities thru New Years Eve

Next Meeting: January 9th, 2019. **At Muni Bldg. 747 Market St. Rm 248**

Adjournment : 6:55pm