

**New Tacoma Neighborhood Council
Wednesday June 14, 2017
Peoples Center, 1602 MLK Jr. Way, Conference Room**

Meeting Minutes

Attendance:

Board Members present: Elizabeth Burriss, Tom Ebenhoh, Mae Harris, Valerie Floyd, Jori Adkins, Rick Jones, Jo Davies, Emily Roeben, Philip Bradford

Board Members absent: Traci Kelly, Bill Garl, Hally Bert, Dalton Gittens

Attendees: Debbiann Thompson (MPD), Lt Leroy Standifer (TPD) Mario Lorenz, Shirley Schultz (COT), Sheila Miraflor (THA), Pennie Smith (SENC), Venus Dergan, Kristin Lynett (COT), Holly Rydel Kelly, David Nash Mendez (COT)

Call to Order: 5:30pm

Agenda and Minutes (June, May): Approved.

Treasurer's Report: \$5,584.58 Funds

Fire Department: provided handouts, reminder no fireworks in COT

City Manager's Office: David Nash Mendez is our new liaison spoke about Festival of Sail. Reminded citizens of the City Council study sessions every Tuesday at noon, citizen open comment 2nd Tuesday of the month

Tacoma Police Department: Officer Custis is with Homeless Outreach Team, Lt. Standifer gave updates on various situations in the hilltop. CLO's are working with Homeless Outreach Team.

Metro Parks: Various activity brochures handed out, free Friday night at Peoples. Bloodmobile will be at Peoples June 30th 12:30-7:30

Tacoma Public Utilities: Caution to citizens not to fall into scamming by phone or e-mails of those claiming to be TPU, and are not, and protection of privacy information.

Old Business: M/S voted to approve \$500 for Hilltop Street Fair. M/S to keep present name; approved. Will send current by-laws to Board for annual review. Filing a City business fee remains open item. Mario provided update on the fair and encouraged audience to attend/get involved.

Tom reminded Board about Innovative Grant process improvement meeting on 22 June, 5:00, TMB-North, Room 16 and encouraged Board to attend. Also opportunity to provide inputs to Shari Hart via e-mail if not able to make the meeting.

New Business: Shirley Schultz from City of Tacoma explained permitting process and provided handout on accessing information program on parcels/land use.

Kristin Lynett from COT sustainability office gave update on plastic bag ordinance effective July 12th and included locations offering free re-usable bags and details on those businesses impacted and those that are not.

Matt Wolman, Tacoma-Pierce Health was not in attendance to provide update on emergency response/community project. Will follow up if interested in being scheduled at a future meeting.

Tom and Liz reported on their NUSA attendance which included information on workshops attended, information from NUSA annual meeting, information that may be useful in Tacoma, key take aways from the conference, encouraged attendance to attend, possible award submission, and opportunity to host a workshop, for NUSA May 2018, which will be in Birmingham, Alabama.

Nominations called for Secretary position. Liz and Tom encouraged Board to volunteer and spoke more about role of Secretary. No volunteers; will add to July Agenda. Discussed possibly rotating among Board.

Tom mentioned planning meeting with UW on possible interns and/or student volunteers. Will follow up at next meeting on status once meeting is scheduled; term has ended and UW coordinators have been out of office.

Board discussed various events and opportunities for summer such as Hilltop Street Fair, McKinley Street Fair, Ethnic Fest, Tacoma Pride, and Community Cleanup (HAC). NTNC will combine with Central and co-host a booth at Hilltop. Tom will send e-mail to Board on all opportunities and encouraged sharing information and volunteering.

M/S voted to donate \$100 to community cleanup (HAC) on July 15, Tacoma Evergreen Campus; approved, M/S \$200 to support 8th and I neighbors lighting project approved, M/S to donate \$250 to Stadium Art, Wine Walk, approved.

Alternate meeting/tour at Center for Urban Waters planned for either September or October. More to follow.

Philip encouraged guest Holly Rydel Kelly to consider being NTNC Board member; Board agreed. Possible future Board member.

Adjourn: M/S to adjourn at 7:13

Tom Ebenhoh, Chair

Elizabeth Burris, Acting Secretary

