On February 1st, members of the HBA, along with some community members met with Congressman Derek Kilmer at the Red Elm Cafe. We were able to share concerns on many levels with Congressman Kilmer, he was very responsive and reassuring that he has our best interests at heart. If you have questions, concerns, or just want to share your opinion, contact his Tacoma office at:
U.S. Representative Derek Kilmer (WA-06)
950 Pacific Ave. | Suite 1230 | Tacoma WA 98402
Office: (253) 272-3515
Hello all,

Today, we are moving into a time in which the members of the Hilltop Business District need to have more of a voice toward what they would like to see in this area. Many times I find myself sharing with boards and panels the wishes and concerns that you bring to me. However, it would also be good for us to have real discussion to the wishes and concerns of the members of the district are in a more open forum.

There are some issues and new developments that will surely affect your businesses and your ability to generate revenue. It would be a good idea for you to become more involved with the discussions in the member meetings before it is too late. The selling of the Rite Aid building can be a good thing, but what will it become? And, how will the business that goes into the space directly affect your business? Another question that is often begged is, “What does the city of Tacoma have planned for the Hilltop area in the way of retail.” Still another question that comes to my office is, “How involved is the City Manager or the city Redevelopment Department with the businesses and residents on the Hilltop or, are Sound Transit and the Housing Authority driving the narrative for the Hilltop?”

These are questions that you have asked me privately, now is the time for you to start asking them publicly. If not, I think existing businesses will suffer greatly on the Hilltop.

It’s time to get involved and speak up.

All the best,
Anthony Steele, President
Hilltop Business Association

If you have an event or would like to contribute to the Newsletter, please email (put ‘Newsletter’ in the subject line):
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Mario: marioslorenz@gmail.com

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BOARD AND MEMBER MEETINGS
NEXT MEMBER MEETING IS THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15th at 8am
ALLEN AME CHURCH MEETING ROOM
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How to Get Involved
You live, work, shop, and play in this community. We want the future streetscape to work for you. Please share your feedback with us. To get more information about the preliminary design or to share your feedback:

- Stop by the storefront office
- Request a briefing for your community group
- Attend one of our community events

We're Hosting Walkshops!

**Wayfinding Walkshop**
(Meet at the storefront office, 1120 South 11th Street)
Tuesday, February 13
10 AM - 12 PM

**Seating & Lighting Walkshop**
(Meet at the storefront office, 1120 South 11th Street)
Thursday, February 22
3-5 PM

Contact us or stop by the office
Andy Micklow | 253-318-5626
cityoftacoma.org/links
1120 South 11th Street, Tacoma

Storefront Office
1120 South 11th Street, Tacoma

**HOURS:**
MONDAYS 9-2
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WEDNESDAYS 9-1
THURSDAYS 9-1 & 2-6
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Pierce County Dental Society
Invites you to Celebrate its 27th Annual
Children's Dental Health Day
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Saturday, February 24th, 10:30 AM - 2:30 PM

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The Journal is an amazing way to reach people in the Hilltop area - let me know if you want to learn more about how you can use the Journal for truly effective community outreach and engagement that links print and social media via the Hilltop Action Coalition.
Membership is at the same level as it was a year ago at this time, this is a good sign and I appreciate the attention being paid to membership.

The Board held its annual retreat on January 22nd from 4 PM to 8 PM. There were many positive ideas that emerged from this retreat. Some of which were the need to be a little more detailed with presentations concerning events and budgets for the year. It is my hope that we will engage more members in helping address upcoming concerns in our district.

We all look forward to the beginning of the Link Rail that will be an asset to our district, but there are several issues that will emerge while the construction is happening. The placement of the power poles and any other poles will need to be addressed as well as signage for our district. I am meeting with the Central Neighborhood council along with Eric Crittendon (HBA past president who was instrumental in getting the banners installed several years ago) this coming Thursday February 15th. It is my hope that we will be able to proceed very soon with this project. If anyone would like to be involved in this endeavor please let me know.

In another area and perhaps beginning in early March I intend to see the planters fully operational with the right plants or shrubs in them and done so with beautiful plants that will flourish. It may be necessary to test the soil for adequate plant growth. Again while some have stepped forward to assist we can always use more volunteers to assist with this project.

The Street Fair committees have been meeting and we have a good group in place. This year we will add to this event several dance groups and some kinetic sculptor ideas for the street fair. In addition we are planning a 5 K run which is in the planning stages at this time. We will focus attention on health and fitness and serve to unify the health aspects of our district. Our hope is to bring together the hospitals in the district and have an event that demonstrates our commitment to good health.

We will increase and grow the events in the district by moving into our second year for the Cherry Blossom Festival and Wine Walk. It is my intention to include more of our district’s Asian population in this event to honor and historically understand the directions this community asset has been through in bringing its culture to our district.

The Holiday lights will need a committee to form early in the year to address ways and financial means with which to better light up our district and enhance our businesses in a way that will make the Hilltop Business District more inviting to those visiting the district and shopping in our stores and eating at our restaurants.

Mario Lorenz
HBA Manager
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253 284 1111, 1111 S 11th St.

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360 775 9834, 1003 S 11th St.

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253 272 6287, 1020 MLK Jr Way

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253 572 9681, 1516 S 28th

Red Elm Cafe, Jennifer Richardson  
253 327 1791, 1114 MLK Jr Way

Subway, Diana & Ed Ware  
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1022 South J, Dawn Stubbs/Rose Peterson  
253 576 3112

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253 222 4549, 7027 S Prospect St.

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253 383 3151, 206 N. J St

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253 312 6738, 1937 South G Street

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**Kyava Spa Wellness Center**, Jennifer Richardson  
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253 383 2007, 2550 South Yakima

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with your favorites and why. This does not need to be formal, you can simply send a list of the whys with the name of the business or public place. This is a great way to spread the word and spotlight local businesses!
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