CITY OF TACOMA
GREEN RIBBON CLIMATE ACTION TASK FORCE
MEETING MINUTES

DATE: June 18, 2007

ATTENDEES: Council Member Jake Fey, Special Assistant to the Director/DOE Janice Adair, Lynne Griffith, Jim Tutton, John Hickey, Debby Hyde, Paul Birkey, Krystal Kyer, Greg Jacoby, Bob Stivers, Sian Davies-Vollum, Yonn Dierwechter, Ryan Mello, Joanne Buselmeier, Sue Mauermann, Leslie Stanton, Bliss Moore, Mike Jagielski, Tiffany Speir, Greg Narum, Ken Peachey, Samantha Gray, Jarrett Mattson

City Staff: Lorna Sutton, Gary Kato, Bill Smith, Peter Meyer, Alisa O'Hanlon, Ted Coates, Joshua Shake, Doug Mosich, Robert Mack, Karen Larkin, Catherine Taylor

EXCUSED: Dale Anderson, Vance Lelli, Steve Marek Dave McEntee Bill Osborne, Elaine Ott, Tim Thompson, Lakewood Mayor Claudia Thomas, Jim Vance, Bob Levin

- **Approval of May 21, 2007 Meeting Minutes**
  - The May 21, 2007 minutes were approved and adopted.
- **Revised Charter**
  - Revisions to the Charter language, as requested at the May 21 meeting, were made and presented for review and approval (see Attachment A). Motion was made for the adoption of the revised Charter. Motion carried.
- **Climate Change – WA State of Play**
  - Department of Ecology, Special Assistant to the Director, Janice Adair, gave a presentation (see Attachment B).
    - Western Climate Initiative – an agreement between WA, OR, CA, AZ, NM, UT, B.C. Manitoba to develop regional greenhouse gases that were consistent with each of those states' greenhouse gas emission reduction targets. The goal is to design, by August 2008, multi-sector market based mechanisms that would help achieve those greenhouse gas reductions and to join a multi-state registry.
    - Climate Registry – 31 states, 2 Canadian Provinces and 3 American Indian tribes that are putting together an organization for businesses to report and track their greenhouse gas emissions. The registry is expected to be up and running by January 2008.
    - Executive Order – in February 2007, the Governor established emission reduction goals for the state to return to 1990 levels by 2020 and to get to 70% below "business as usual" by 2050. A 27-member advisory team was formed to work towards accomplishing these goals; five technical working groups will

analyze the specific details of the advisory team recommendations. The final report is due to the Governor no later than February 2008.

- Additional information on Ecology's programs may be found on their website: www.ecy.wa.gov. The link to Ecology's website will be posted to the Task Force website.

- **Subcommittee Reports**
  - Built/un-built Subcommittee – Co-chair Debby Hyde reported on the June 8 meeting
    - The Subcommittee expressed an interest in learning more about LEED (the implications environmentally and economically), and whether other members would like to explore. By a show of hands, there were several members interested in participating in a LEED discussion.
  - Transportation Subcommittee – Spokesperson Bliss Moore reported on the June 4 meeting
    - Representative from the Port of Tacoma gave an overview of the Governor's Climate Advisory Team
  - Energy Supply and Use/Green Building Subcommittee – Spokesperson Greg Narum reported on the June 7 meeting
    - Requested a carbon calculator be tied to the Task Force website.
    - Requested a list of existing City programs on energy conservation/efficiency and green building. A report was made on Tacoma Power's energy efficiency program.
    - Members will approach Puget Sound Energy on being represented on the Subcommittee and/or delivering a presentation on their energy efficiency program.
    - A list of suggested strategy recommendations selected from Portland and Seattle action plans was distributed.

- **Revised Assumptions**
  - A revision of the Committee's assumptions, from the May 21 meeting, was presented for review. Members offered additional changes for discussion.
  - Council Member Fey expressed that while the task force's work on climate change focuses on the areas/boundaries where the Tacoma City Council has jurisdiction, it is essential that members also focus on actions in other communities and jurisdictions.
  - Revisions to the (working) document will be made and presented at the next meeting.

- **Revised Inventory of Emission Levels in Tacoma**
  - A presentation was given on the revised inventory of emission levels in Tacoma (see Task Force website for presentation - "Tacoma Emissions Inventory Update").
  - The link to EPA's carbon calculator (www.epa.gov/climatechange/wycd/calculator/ind_calculator.html) will be posted to the Green Ribbon Task Force website.

- **Public Comment**
  - Ken Peachey identified the website for the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) www.ipcc.ch as a useful resource on the current state of knowledge of global climate change. The link to the IPCC website will be posted to the Task Force website.

- Samantha Gray expressed interest in attending the Transportation Subcommittee meetings to offer knowledge and ideas in the areas of biking and mass transit.

- **Task Force Member Comment**
  - Lynne Griffith suggested mapping out transit plans, in terms of linking land use planning to the transit system. Lynne will present at a future meeting.
  - Krystal Kyer distributed copies of the Puget Sound Action Team report on climate change.
  - Paul Birkey requested copies of the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency report; Leslie Stanton provided copies to members.
  - Request was made to invite University of Washington/Tacoma staff to make a presentation on the IPCC analysis.

- **Next Meeting**
  - The next Green Ribbon Task Force meeting will be Monday, July 16, 2007, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Fleet Operations Conference Room, 3639 S. Pine Street, Tacoma WA

- **Adjournment**
  - The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.