

Sustainable Tacoma Commission

4/15/2021 Virtual Public Meeting

Welcome

Commissioners

Members of the public

Presenters and staff support:

LaTasha Wortham

Tacoma Public Utilities, Public Affairs and Communication

**Patrick Babbitt, Kristin Lynett, James Parvey, Kyla Wilson, Leah
Michaelsen**

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Call to Order



Land Acknowledgment

ʔuk'wədiid čət ʔuhigwəd txwəl tiit ʔa čət ʔal tə swatxwixwtxwəd ʔə tiit puyaləpabš. ʔa ti dxwʔa ti swatxwixwtxwəd ʔə tiit puyaləpabš ʔəstətətłil tul'al tudiʔ tuhaʔkw. didiʔt ʔa həlgwəʔ ʔal ti sləxłil. dxwəstətłils həlgwəʔ gwəl ʔ'uyayus həlgwəʔ gwəl ʔ'uʔ'axwəd həlgwəʔ tiit bədədəʔs gwəl tixdxw həlgwəʔ tiit ʔiisəds həlgwəʔ gwəl ʔ'uʔalalus həlgwəʔ gwəl ʔ'utxwəlšucidəb. xwəla ···b ʔə tiit tuyəl'yələbs.

We gratefully honor and acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People. The Puyallup people have lived on this land since the beginning of time. They are still here today. They live, work, raise their children, take care of their community, practice their traditional ways and speak the Twulshootseed language – just as their ancestors did.



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Agenda – 4/15/2021

- I. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**
- II. **APPROVE APRIL 15 AGENDA & MARCH 18 MINUTES**
- III. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**
- IV. **STAFF UPDATES**
- V. **SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES**
- VI. **RULES OF PROCEDURE AMENDMENT**
- VII. **COMMISSION PARTICIPATION WITH ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMISSION – LETTER**
- VIII. **COMMISSION ANNUAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CITY COUNCIL & MANAGEMENT – DISCUSSION**
- IX. **SUSTAINABILITY SMALL GRANTS APPLICATIONS REVIEW**
- X. **THANK YOU TO DEPARTING COMMISSIONERS**
- XI. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**
- XII. **OBJECTIVES FOR NEXT MEETING**
- XIII. **ADJOURNMENT**

(Motion)



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3/18/2021 Commission Minutes Approval

(Motion)



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Public Comments



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Staff Updates

Last Meeting: 3/18

1. Officer Elections
 - Discussion & Motion
2. Earth Month & Day Planning
 - Staff presentation
3. Tideflats Subarea Planning
 - Staff presentation
4. Climate Planning Update: Adaptation Strategy
 - Staff presentation



Staff Updates

Commission Notices:

- THANK YOU to Phil Coughlan and David Thompson for their service
- Onboarding new members through April-May
- Reminder: Low Carbon Scenario & Big Moves video (Climate Action Planning)



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Staff Updates

Around the City:

- Tideflats Subarea Visioning online survey: 3/15 – 4/30
 - <https://www.cityoftacoma.org/cms/one.aspx?pagelId=132602>
- Home in Tacoma public comments: due 4/9
 - <https://www.cityoftacoma.org/homeintacoma>
 - planning@cityoftacoma.org
 - <https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/63476315c3f54736b846e477126959f1>
- Pierce Transit Bus Stop Balancing project input: 3/19 – 4/11
 - <https://www.piercetransit.org/busstops/>
 - https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/bb0e28d678484127abfd7afb251e15b6/page/home/?draft=true&views=view_1



Staff Updates

Around the City:

- Earth Month Events
 - Sustainable Food (4/5 – 4/10)
 - Waste Prevention (4/11 – 4/17)
 - Sustainable Fashion (4/18 -4/24)
 - Sustainable Communities (4/25 – 4/30)
 - Calendar: cityoftacoma.org/earthmonth
- Northwest Ports Clean Air Strategy:
 - <https://www.portoftacoma.com/community/environment/air#nwpcas>
 - 4/14 community briefing:
<https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07ehprbgqz0c2baf46&oseq=&c=&ch=>



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Subcommittee Updates

- Welcoming Commissioners to report on subcommittee activities, possibly including:
 - Climate Action Planning
 - Planning Commission
 - Other?

Waste prevention and recycling (June 2021)

- **Take the availability poll:**

https://doodle.com/poll/u8qz7zmmh6x2yi9q?utm_source=po ll&utm_medium=link



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Other Business Items

1. Rules of Procedure Amendment
 - Discussion & motion
2. Commission Participation with Environmental Services Commission
 - Letter of recommendation
3. Commission Annual Recommendations for City Council & Management
 - Discussion & motion
4. Sustainability Small Grants Applications Review
 - Staff presentation & motions
5. Thank You to Departing Commissioners
 - Discussion



Rules of Procedure Amendment – Staff Presentation

Staff: Patrick Babbitt (he/him)

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(Review document; motion)



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Commission Participation with Environmental Services Commission – Letter of Recommendation

Staff: Patrick Babbitt (he/him)

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(Review document; motion)



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Commission Annual Recommendations for City Council & Management – Discussion

Staff: Patrick Babbitt (he/him)

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(Review document; motion)



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Sustainability Small Grants Applications Review & Awards – Discussion

Staff: Leah Michaelson (she/her), **Kristin Lynett** (she/her)
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(Review applications; motion)



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Thank You to Departing Commissioners

Staff: Patrick Babbitt (he/him)

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(no action)



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Objectives for Next Meeting (May 20)

Meeting Items:

- Staff updates
- Subcommittee updates
- Climate Action Planning update (recurring)
 - 2020 Environmental Action Plan progress report
- Welcome new Commissioners

Non-Meeting Items:

- Annual Commission report (video/slide deck)



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Adjournment

(Motion)



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