

South End Neighborhood Council

Fire Station #8, 4911 South Alaska St., Tacoma, WA 98408

South End Neighborhood Council (SENCo) regular meeting

February 25, 2019

Members present: Athena Brewer, Suzanne Skaar, Penny Grellier, Cary Nilson, Tyler Whitemarsh, Christina Rupp, Erik Paulsen, Christopher Winters, Daniel Thomasson

Absent: Melissa Dunbar, Tony Caldwell

Meeting recorded for audio; audio will be posted for transparency

Called to order at 7:00pm

Welcome

Roll call

Approval of last meeting's minutes: motion Chris, Tyler seconds, passes (Daniel abstains due to absence last meeting)

Announcement of new meeting order (followed below)

1. Guest speakers

Preston Peck, Project Specialist with City of Tacoma, speaking on causes behind changes to City's recycling program, what options we have going forward, and how public can be involved. More information at www.tacomarecycles.org

Chris Beale, City Councilperson for District 5, re: Detached Accessory Dwelling Units; a vote is coming up soon for a change to regulations on DADUs for single family homes, public hearing was held last week. More information, contact chris.beale@cityoftacoma.org

2. Community Concerns

Earl: wanted to print agenda and minutes from website but it wasn't working, Suzanne can assist

Amber: concern for kids walking to Mann Elementary, need light at S. 52nd and M St. for pedestrian crossing as cars rarely stop. Sidewalks in our neighborhood are not in good condition and prove hazardous to children especially. Suzanne would like more information as to how we can request infrastructure improvements. Chris suggests City's Safe Routes to Schools contact. Subject matter expert from City can attend future meeting.

3. Liaison Reports

City Manager: Bucoda and Linda, State of City address next week, e- scooters extended through September, South Sound Sustainability Expo is March 2

Fire: Ray, Battalion Chief, rash of fires since weather has been so cold (cooking, heat sources), avoid candles during power outages, keep smoke/carbon monoxide detectors working, have chimney cleaned annually,

watch space heater location, cigarettes used indoors, plan your family escape route, TacomaFireDepartment@ci.tacoma.wa.us

MetroParks: not present

TPU: not present

TPS: Forest, funding cuts to admin positions continue in order to balance budget, community meetings and online survey to gather public input, school construction updates given. info@tacoma.k12.wa.us

Safe Streets: Darin, all are invited to SETNA on third Saturday from 9am to 11am at sector 3 substation, also Hosmer and 72nd/Pacific business meetings, burglary awareness tip sheet handed out, info@safest.org

TPD: Lt. Darlington, handout on calls for service, other actions taken by code enforcement and police teams, Positive Interactions, non-emergency line 253-798-4721

Port of Tacoma: not present

4. Committee Reports

<u>Treasurer</u>: access established and statements needed, \$4117.84 savings, \$3105.37 checking <u>Outreach</u>: making website mobile friendly, minutes/audio and agenda up promptly, Suzanne requests WordPress reimbursement, also purchased storage card, motion to reimburse Tyler, second Christina, yeas: 8, no: 1; working on diversity of attendees, equal representation of neighborhood concerns, more funds from City coming for outreach/activities, Neighborhood Moments opportunities coming up (ideas welcome)

Bylaws: 75% of bylaw edits complete

5. New/Old Business

Food and diaper donations will be accepted at our meetings to go to Nourish Food Banks

Featured photo of the month (send pictures of neighborhood scenes in for prizes!)

SENCO logo contest between Lincoln and iDEA high schools

Implementation of Primary (community clean-up volunteering) and Secondary (quarterly community forum) goals... watch Facebook page for more details

Several SENCO members attended Citywide Neighborhood Council forum this past Saturday.

Adjourned 8pm

Submitted by Penny Grellier, Recording Secretary