



City of Tacoma Transportation Commission

Matt Stevens, Co-Chair, At-Large
Bruce Morris, Co-Chair, At-Large
Richard Gardner, At-Large
Quanah Spencer, At-Large
Joe Korbuszewski, District 1
Rubén Casas, District 2
Austin Goble, District 3
Troy Serad, District 4
Penny Grellier, District 5
Pamela Wrenn, City Manager Appointed
Kerri Hill, City Manager Appointed

FINAL Minutes

Meeting: Transportation Commission
Time: Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at 5:30 P.M.
Place: Hybrid: Zoom or 747 Market Street, Room 243

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I. Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement

Co-Chair Morris called the meeting to order at 5:31 PM. CM Serad presented the land acknowledgement.

II. Roll Call

CM Casas and CM Grellier was excused absent.

III. Review of Minutes (April 16, 2025)

Co-Chair Stevens made a motion to approve the April 16, 2025 minutes. CM Serad seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented.

IV. Public Comment on Agenda Topics

No members of the public provided comment.

V. Business Items

a) Climate Action Plan Update

Kristi Lynett, Sustainability Manager, presented the Climate Action Plan. She shared the Climate Action Plan (CAP) online dashboard, which included Tacoma's past, present, and future metrics for CAP goals. She highlighted the greenhouse gas inventory story, which includes Transportation emissions decreasing by 10% since 2019. She also highlighted the CAP indicator targets dashboard that depicts current status with future targets, which shows that fatal and serious injury crashes have increased. Kristi provided an overview of the CAP actions dashboard that measures the progress of the short term actions over the past 3 years.

The Commission discussed the updated CAP goals, targets, and actions, as well as progress to date. They also discussed the aspirational mode shift and infrastructure targets, need for transit support by the City, developing a funding plan, and consideration of agency project GHG impacts occurring in Tacoma.

Kristi explained that the 2025 update focused on the 20 highest priority actions, evaluated and maintained 2030 indicator targets, conducted additional engagement, aligned with other One Tacoma plans, and included an emphasis on climate resiliency. She provided an overview of community feedback. The City Council is expected to adopt a resolution to support the CAP update in June 2025.



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The Commission discussed a letter of support. Co-Chair Stevens made a motion to write a comment letter to Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Council Committee. CM Goble seconded the motion and requested additional clarification of the letter's content. Co-Chair Stevens suggested that the letter refer to the Mobility and Land Use – Indicator Target progress and tie into the Transportation and Mobility Plan. Four (4) Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. Three (3) Commissioners voted in opposition of the motion. The motion passed.

VI. Other Business/Updates

- a) Pacific Avenue Sub-Area Plan Advisory Committee (Richard Gardner) – *CM Gardner did not have updates. Carrie Wilhelme shared that PW was invited to review the scope of work for the environmental impact analysis.*
- b) Joint TOD Task Force (Pamela Wrenn and Troy Serad) – *CM Wrenn shared that the TOD Task Force will be forwarding a letter to City Council to sunset the Task Force with conditions for engagement of Transportation Commission and Planning Commission on transit related initiatives.*

VII. Staff Reports

- a) Staff Updates – *Carrie shared that the Safe Routes to School Coordinator position is open for applications. The Transportation Commission is also seeking to fill two voting Commission positions. Current members will need to re-apply.*
- b) Status of Grant Applications and Major Capital Projects – *Carrie shared that the City was awarded funding from the WA Sandy Williams grant for the South Tacoma Way Corridor study that builds on the Road Safety Audit between Pine and 60th Street.*
- c) Upcoming Public Meetings and Events – *Carrie shared Pierce Transit's Transit Trivia event on June 2, 2025. The Co-Chairs will be recommending that the July meeting will be cancelled.*

VIII. Commissioner Comments

CM Wrenn announced that she will be resigning from the Transportation Commission and this is her last meeting. Commissioners expressed their appreciation of her hardwork, diligence, expertise, and tact in communication.

CM Gardner shared that he has seen bicyclists on the Historic Water Flume Line Trail.

CM Serad expressed his support for the City placing another measure on the ballot to fund transportation infrastructure.

IX. Public Comment

No members of the public provided comment.

X. Adjourn

Co-Chair Morris adjourned the meeting at 6:44PM.



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Future Agenda Items

Impact Fees, Pacific Avenue Sub-Area Plan, Streets Initiative 2 Debrief

Public Comment

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