



**Virtual Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, January 16, 2024**  
<https://www.easttacoma.org>

**Board Members present: Bobby Ocasio, Brian Humphreys Diane Blount, Jesse Hart, Judith Miller, Lynnette Scheidt, Rick Slater, and Tara Scheidt.**

**Total number of participants: Thirty.**

**Treasurer Report**

Date	Description	Memo	Category	Amount
<b>BALANCE 1/17/2023</b>				<b>6,814.70</b>
10/18/2023	Bluehost	Website Renewal	Internet and Website	-359.64
9/19/2023	CCOT	Reombursement PO Box Fee	Other Income	241.00
11/28/2023	City Of Tacoma	Annual Income	City Allocation	4,000.00
12/8/2023	City Of Tacoma	Business License	Business License	-41.92
2/13/2023	GoDaddy	ENACT@gmail.com	Internet and Website	-46.70
5/26/2023	GoDaddy	info@easttacoma.org	Internet and Website	-79.28
8/3/2023	Jesse Hart	Reimbursement Annual Report	Admin Expense	-20.00
12/29/2023	Jesse Hart	Reimbursement 3-Ring Binders	Meeting Supplies	-23.85
1/27/2023	Office Depot Office Max	Member Hand books	Admin Expense	-92.46
4/10/2023	Ruca Latin Asian Fusion	Board Meeting and Mini-Retreat	Training & Edducation	-330.90
3/28/2023	USPS	PO Box Fee	Admin Expense	-230.00
9/15/2023	USPS	PO Box Fee	Admin Expense	-241.00
12/5/2023	Zoom	Virtual Meeting Program	Admin Expense	-165.34
1/18/2023 - 1/17/2024				2,609.91
<b>BALANCE 1/17/2024</b>				<b>9,424.61</b>

Minutes of the November 20, 2023, meeting was approved.

Shown in  
the video  
are the

Committee reports, Liaison reports, Community Question, Presentation, Comments and Concerns.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00pm

Jesse Hart  
Secretary-Treasurer

## Video

[Open file](#)

## Chat

18:34:07 From Shawn TPD : Lt Shawn Malott,  
18:34:30 From Shawn TPD : Tacoma Police, South End Community Policing,  
smalott@cityoftacoma.org  
18:35:55 From Gil Barthe - TFD : Gil Barthe - Tacoma Fire - Assistant Chief Operations -  
253-973-0089 - gbarthe@cityoftacoma.org  
18:43:02 From Tara Scheidt - Vice Chair : <https://www.piercecountywa.gov/921/Pierce-County-ALERT>  
18:43:53 From Tara Scheidt - Vice Chair :  
[https://www.cityoftacoma.org/government/city\\_departments/fire/emergency\\_management/tacoma\\_s\\_emergency\\_notification\\_system](https://www.cityoftacoma.org/government/city_departments/fire/emergency_management/tacoma_s_emergency_notification_system)  
18:45:20 From Gil Barthe - TFD :  
[https://www.cityoftacoma.org/whats\\_going\\_on/gault\\_middle\\_school\\_fire\\_and\\_hazardous\\_materials\\_risk\\_q\\_a](https://www.cityoftacoma.org/whats_going_on/gault_middle_school_fire_and_hazardous_materials_risk_q_a)  
18:59:14 From Tara Scheidt - Vice Chair : McKinley Hill Neighborhood Plan  
<https://www.cityoftacoma.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=169&pageId=211491>  
19:01:52 From Sandesh Sadalge : Reacted to "McKinley Hill Neighb..." with 👍  
19:02:30 From Sandesh Sadalge : Thank you liaison Chavez!  
19:02:51 From Ramiro Chavez -- PW Tacoma : rchavez@cityoftacoma.org  
19:03:35 From Tim Fairley : Tara I sent you a picture in messenger  
19:05:17 From Tara Scheidt - Vice Chair : Replying to "Tara I sent you a pi..."

Can you present tonight. Tacoma Events are awesome!

19:06:21 From Tim Fairley : Replying to "Tara I sent you a pi..."

I can ask a CERC member. City events and recognition committee

19:07:40 From Tim Fairley : Replying to "Tara I sent you a pi..."

I can as a city events and recognition committee member

19:12:49 From Dr. John Gaines : [https://www.mytpu.org/ways-to-save/save-water-lower-bill/find-fix-leaks/#pattern\\_2](https://www.mytpu.org/ways-to-save/save-water-lower-bill/find-fix-leaks/#pattern_2)

19:15:04 From Ben Thurgood, City Manager's Office , City of Tacoma : Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs

[https://www.cityoftacoma.org/in\\_the\\_news/2024\\_applicants\\_sought\\_for\\_the\\_commission\\_on\\_immigrant\\_and\\_refugee\\_affairs](https://www.cityoftacoma.org/in_the_news/2024_applicants_sought_for_the_commission_on_immigrant_and_refugee_affairs)

19:15:22 From Ben Thurgood, City Manager's Office , City of Tacoma : Sustainable Tacoma Commission

[https://www.cityoftacoma.org/in\\_the\\_news/applicants\\_sought\\_for\\_the\\_sustainable\\_tacoma\\_commission\\_in\\_2024](https://www.cityoftacoma.org/in_the_news/applicants_sought_for_the_sustainable_tacoma_commission_in_2024)

19:19:02 From Zeek Edmond, TPS : <https://www.tacomaschools.org/about/bond>

19:19:13 From Port of Tacoma: Katie Skelton : Port of Tacoma Local Economic Development Investment Fund: Learn more and download the application online at:

<https://www.portoftacoma.com/ledif>

19:19:21 From Port of Tacoma: Katie Skelton : Port of Tacoma Free Bus Tours:

<https://www.portoftacoma.com/community/tours-events/bus-tours>

19:19:25 From Sandesh Sadalge : Reacted to "Port of Tacoma Free ..." with 👍

19:20:20 From Tim Fairley : Reacted to "Port of Tacoma Free ..." with 👍

19:20:23 From Ruben Rosa : Reacted to "Port of Tacoma Free ..." with ❤️

19:20:42 From Port of Tacoma: Katie Skelton : Port of Tacoma Commission Meetings in person and online: <https://portal.veconnect.us/p/portoftacoma>

19:21:19 From Zeek Edmond, TPS :

<https://www.tacomaschools.org/departments/transportation/emergency-routes>

19:21:25 From Stephanie Smith : Roosevelt Elementary- heard it was a playground improvement what about the field across at the Health Dept Building? THE red dirt lot. Is that going to see any improvement?

19:21:51 From allison d : We missed the Gault info with the glitch @Zeek

19:22:13 From Sandesh Sadalge : Replying to "Port of Tacoma Free ..."

Just signed up for the Feb 27th tour!

19:24:35 From Port of Tacoma: Katie Skelton : Reacted to "Just signed up for t..." with ❤️

19:28:21 From Stephanie's S23 Ultra : Wait, did someone say they know what caused the fire at Gault?

19:28:53 From Ruben Rosa : Ashley, how are the bus going to be marked?

19:29:31 From Tara Scheidt - Vice Chair : Replying to "Wait, did someone sa..."

3 teens 2 boys and 1 girl all 15 years old from Gig Harbor were arrested

19:32:38 From Jared safe streets : Jared Braggs [jbraggs@safest.org](mailto:jbraggs@safest.org)  
2536915980

19:33:44 From Ashley Baillie | Pierce Transit : @Ruben Rosa, that hasn't been released yet. All we know is the buses will be easy to distinguish between the STREAM route and the regular fixed route. As soon as we have the info, I would be happy to share with the group!

19:34:07 From Ruben Rosa : Reacted to "@Ruben Rosa, that ha..." with ❤️  
19:34:15 From Ruben Rosa : Thanks!  
19:34:24 From Tara Scheidt - Vice Chair : Reacted to "@Ruben Rosa, that ha..." with ❤️  
19:39:19 From Tim Fairley : Tacoma volunteer outreach and resources (Facebook page).  
19:41:41 From Bobby Ocasio : Tacoma volunteer outreach and resources | Facebook  
19:42:34 From Stephanie's S23 Ultra : Parking is my issue with this program. 😞  
19:42:55 From Stephanie Smith : Reacted to "Parking is my issue ..." with 👍  
19:45:40 From Tim Fairley : They actually are trying to get rid of lots of parking  
19:45:47 From Stephanie's S23 Ultra : This is already affecting the dead end street I live on.  
My household and my neighbors are very upset about it.  
19:46:03 From Tara Scheidt - Vice Chair : Reacted to "Tacoma volunteer out..." with ❤️  
19:47:13 From Stephanie's S23 Ultra : Replying to "They actually are tr..."

Until there is easil...

19:48:19 From Lynnette Scheidt - Chair : Pierce Transit is working on more transportation since Portland Ave Park is getting all new  
19:50:46 From Stephanie's S23 Ultra : Replying to "Pierce Transit is wo..."

Getting all new...? ...

19:51:49 From Stephanie's S23 Ultra : Replying to "Pierce Transit is wo..."

The accessibility pa...

19:54:09 From Tara Scheidt - Vice Chair : Home in Tacoma Alyssa Torrez  
Atorrez@cityoftacoma.org  
19:55:44 From Stephanie Smith : Have the Tacoma water/ Sewer people been involved with how this impacts the infrastructure. I seem to remember that there were some issue regarding building larger buildings in certain areas due to infrastructure issues  
19:57:39 From Sandesh Sadalge : Replying to "Have the Tacoma wate..."

HIT would not allow building if the infrastructure can't handle it. This is taken care of in the permitting process.

19:58:11 From Stephanie's S23 Ultra : Thank you Diane!!!  
19:58:16 From Stephanie's S23 Ultra : Exactly!!!!  
19:58:30 From Brian Humphreys : Everyone understands the need for more density, but the city breaks trust with a lack of following through on infrastructure. We see projects like this and it worries us  
19:58:47 From Stephanie Smith : Replying to "Have the Tacoma wate..."

Thank you. So, zoning is nice but in some areas I guess it would be a "pipe" dream..

19:59:08 From Stephanie Smith : Reacted to "Everyone understands..." with 👍  
19:59:33 From Stephanie's S23 Ultra : I will email her so as not to take up more time  
19:59:41 From Alyssa Torrez- City of Tacoma : Replying to "Have the Tacoma wate..."

The environmental impact statement also takes a look at what the needs are for infrastructure including mitigations to reduce negative impacts

19:59:48 From Antonio McLemore : Thank you  
19:59:56 From Ruben Rosa : Thanks !!  
19:59:57 From Shawn TPD : Thanks everyone