



# Joint City Council/Central Neighborhood Council Town Hall Meeting Minutes City Council District No. 3

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Franklin Elementary School, 1402 South Lawrence Street, Tacoma, Washington 98405

June 29, 2004 – 6:00 p.m.

The Joint City Council/Central Neighborhood Council Town Hall meeting was called to order at 8:23 p.m.

Council Members Present: 8 ~ Anderson, Evans, Ladenburg, Lonergan, Manthou, Stenger, Talbert, and Mayor Baarsma.

Council Members Absent: 1 ~ Phelps.

Mayor Baarsma welcomed everyone to the Joint City Council District No. 3 and Central Neighborhood Council Town Hall Meeting. He called on Council Member Stenger for introductory remarks, who noted that the evening's meeting was the first joint City Council and Neighborhood Council meeting.

Mr. Steve Apling, the Chair of the Central Neighborhood Council, recognized the other Neighborhood Council Board Members who were present.

Ms. Sally Perkins, the Corresponding Secretary for the Central Neighborhood Council, gave a presentation on a successful resolution of a land use issue that balanced both commercial and residential interests. Ms. Perkins then asked Ms. Lori Bielenski, a resident of the Central Neighborhood Council, and Mr. John Hogan, a developer, to comment on their experiences in finding mutually beneficial solutions to land use issues. Mr. John Abel, a Central Neighborhood Council Board Member, commented on the positive relationship between the Neighborhood Council and Mr. Hogan.

Mr. Apling then called on Mr. Bill Osborne, a Central Neighborhood Council Board Member, who expressed the concerns regarding the negative impacts of high speed vehicular traffic through the Central District neighborhoods. Mr. Osborne then introduced Ms. Monica Wells, a resident of the Central District Neighborhood Council, who provided historical background on the transition of South 12th Street from a residential neighborhood street to a main thoroughfare.

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Donna Bankston	2500 Block of South J Street

Mr. Apling addressed the Council regarding issues surrounding fair and equitable distribution of housing and programs and its impact on revitalization efforts and the residents of the area.

Mr. Apling then opened the meeting for updates from the neighborhood groups within the Central Neighborhood Council area.

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<b>Name</b>	<b>Address/Affiliation</b>
Bill Connelly	Sixth Avenue Business District
Jeanie Peterson	Hilltop Action Coalition
Skip Young	Bryant Neighbors
James Collins	St. Joe's Neighbors
Tommie CeBrun	Sheridan Neighbors
Mae Harris	1700 L Street Neighbors

Mayor Baarsma then opened the meeting for citizen comments related to City Council District No. 3.

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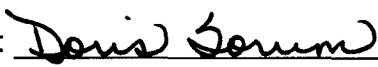
Speaking before Council:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>	<u>Subject</u>
Christina Lorenz	25th and Wilkeson Streets	Pedestrian Crosswalk
Donna Bankston	25th and J Streets	Dept. of Corrections Office
Jim Collins	Resident	Traffic Configuration
Michele Reich	1205 Martin Luther King Jr. Way	Traffic and Illegal Activities
Lenora Warden	701 Commerce Street	Public Housing
Alton McDonald	PO Box 9005, Tacoma, WA	Employment Opportunities
Robert Hill	2522 North Proctor Street	Traffic, Land Use and Community Policing
Jeanie Peterson	Hilltop Action Coalition	Responsiveness of City Staff

Mayor Baarsma thanked the members of the Central Neighborhood Council for their outstanding presentations, and Council Members Anderson and Stenger for inviting the City Council to their district.

On proper motion, the Joint City Council/Central Neighborhood Council Town Hall meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

  
WILLIAM H. BAARSMA, MAYOR

ATTEST:   
DORIS SORUM, CITY CLERK

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