

City of SeaTac

Hotel/Motel Tax Advisory Committee Meeting

September 10, 2014

Meeting Notes

Hotel-Motel Members Present: DM Tony Anderson; Caroline Curtis; Cathy Heiberg; Masab El-Himri; Roger McCracken; Wendy Morgan; Tom Zett

Members Absent: Jeff Bauknecht; Frank Welton;

Others Present: Mar Brettmann, BEST; Natalie Elert, Dollar; Katherine Kertzman, SSVS; Keela Williams, BEST

Meeting Duration: 3:00 – 5:00.m.

Staff Present: Jeff Robinson, Economic Development Manager; Joe Scorcio, Director, CED; Tom Betenson, Jon Napier, Kent Fire

AB #	Topic	Disposition
	2. Review and Approve Minutes of August 12, 2014	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informational Update <input type="checkbox"/> Recommended for: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Approval with modifications <input type="checkbox"/> Denial <i>Motion by Curtis; Second, Welton</i>
	3. Report from Businesses Ending Slavery and Trafficking (BEST), Mar Brettmann	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informational Update <input type="checkbox"/> Recommended for: <input type="checkbox"/> Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Approval with modifications <input type="checkbox"/> Denial <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Brettmann gave a report on the May 22nd training that took place in SeaTac and thanked the Doubletree, SSVS, the ST Police department and the HMAC for their support. She reported that 81 people were in attendance</i> • <i>Brettmann described on-site training that was now being offered to employers and handed out a flyer summarizing the programs.</i> • <i>A review of a study conducted by the UW on BEST training outcomes was presented with a summary of the positive impacts that have occurred. She used a few anecdotal examples of actual events to illustrate this fact.</i>
	4. Update on E911 Emergency System and Fire Alarm Retro Installation Program, Kent Regional Fire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Napier reported that E911 testing would be conducted beginning this Fall as well as a Fire Alarm Retro Installation project.</i>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The 3-pronged approach was described, which will include: notification letters, training and enforcement. The goal is to begin enforcement in 2015 with full compliance by the end of 2016.</i>
	5. TPA /SSTRA Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Robinson and Kertzman reported on recent and planned Council presentations and actions that will culminate in a public hearing and votes on the required Ordinances on October 14th at the Regular City Council meeting at 6:30pm.</i>
	6. SSVS Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Kertzman gave a detailed presentation by department on the SSVS 2015 Major Initiatives and Strategic Plan and provided the committee with copies of the document.</i>
	7. Open Public Meeting Act Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The HMAC received a PowerPoint presentation on the OPMA to comply with State statutes.</i>
	8. Smith Travel Report / WA Department of Revenue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Curtis reviewed the most recent STR and reported that all indicators are positive and that it had been a very successful summer.</i> • <i>She reported that guests have indicated that the light rail connectivity to Seattle is a valuable amenity to making decisions of where to stay while in the region.</i> • <i>Robinson reported that the State Tax revenues were at the highest year to date level since reporting had begun.</i>