

Public Safety and Justice Special Council Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday June 2, 2016 4:30 PM SeaTac City Hall - Riverton Room 128

Members: Present: Absent: Commence: 4:33 PM Adjourn: 5:32 PM Pam Fernald, Chair X Erin Sitterley X Tony Anderson X Brian Wiwel X

Other Council Members Present: Kwon

Staff Coordinator: Lisa Mulligan, Chief of Police

Other Staff Present: Julia Yoon, Mary Mirante-Bartolo, Joe Scorcio at 5:15

Call to Order	Deputy Mayor Fernald called the meeting to order at 4:33 PM
Call to Order 2. For-Hire Vehicles; WAC	X Informational Presentation with Q & A X Recommended Action Assistant City Attorney, Julia Yoon presented a comparison between SeaTac Municipal Code 9.05.045 "For-Hire Vehicle Stopping, Standing, Parking" and WA Administrative Code (WAC) 308-330-454 "Stopping, Standing and Parking of Buses and Taxicabs Regulated" She reported that her research led to the determination that taxicabs could be considered for-hire vehicles but for-hire vehicles could not be considered taxicabs. For this reason, the WAC could be used to cite taxicabs operating in violation of the WAC but it could not be used to cite for-hire vehicles. She presented information about the frequent approval of business licenses in the City to taxicab and for-hire vehicle companies that are operated out of homes and apartments with no regulation of where they should park, potentially complicating the WAC at the policy level. Deputy Mayor Fernald wondered if the City should create an ordinance requiring these business license holders to park their taxicabs and for-hire vehicles in their driveways; there was some discussion about how such an ordinance could work with business license holders who live in apartments.
	Julia Yoon provided information about the use of presumptive language in

	ordinances and cited research that indicates this kind of language amendment would likely not be supported by courts.
	Chief Mulligan recapped the history of the SeaTac For-Hire Vehicle Ordinance; City efforts to-date to educate drivers and companies of the ordinance; enforcement efforts related to the ordinance and both positive and negative feedback received about the efforts.
	The committee recommended that the City follow through with a mass-mailing of the warning/notice letter to all taxicab and for-hire vehicle companies that work in our area, as this action was part of the original education plan.
	The committee recommended that City/Public Works consider placing temporary warning signs (ie., sandwich boards), for short periods of time in high traffic areas to remind drivers/owners of the Ordinance.
	The committee recommended that the City rent the portable digital reader board every few months to remind drivers/owners of the ordinance.
	The committee recommended that the Council consider whether or not they want to provide a stand or parking location for these vehicles.
	The committee agreed that Police should develop a tracking mechanism to keep track of those drivers and companies that have been given warnings.
	X Informational Presentation X Recommended Action
Draft Chronic Nuisance Properties Ordinance	Assistant City Attorney, Julia Yoon presented a draft of a new SeaTac Ordinance "Chronic Nuisance Properties". She briefly described the contents of the ordinance and requested Committee Members review it and provide feedback to her and Chief Mulligan by June 23, 2016.
Future Meeting Schedule	X Recommended Action
	Following discussion it was recommended that the Public Safety and Justice Committee establish a regular monthly meeting date, starting at 5 PM on the third Thursday of every month; this new rule will apply starting July 21.
	In spite of the above decision, the next meeting is planned for June 30.
	It was determined that the next PS&J Meeting Agenda will include -Revisit the Chronic Nuisance Properties draft ordinanceSOA Boat Race – Security and Safety