City of SeaTac Hotel/Motel Tax Advisory Committee Meeting

July 12, 2017

Meeting Notes

Hotel-Motel Members Present: CM Forschler; Jeff Bauknecht; Mary Fischer; Wendy Morgan; Richard Scherzinger

Members Absent: Cathy Heiberg; Roger McCracken; Richard Scherzinger

Others Present: Caroline Curtis; Natalie Elert, Dollar Rent-a-Car; Councilmember Pam Fernald;

Katherine Kertzman, SSRTA;

Staff Present: Jeff Robinson, CED Director; Gus Garcia, SeaTac Public Works

AB	Topic	Disposition
#	1. Introductions	
	2. Review and Approve Minutes of May 10, 2017	Informational UpdateRecommended for:x_Approval(s)Approval with modificationsDenial
	3. Presentation of Upcoming Study on SeaTac Permit Parking Program	Motion by Morgan, Forschler, second XInformational UpdateRecommended for:ApprovalApproval with modificationsDoniel
		 Denial Garcia gave a summary of the project planned to assess the need for and potential design of a permit parking program in various areas of the city. He described the rationale and background that served as the basis for the study including complaints from neighborhoods about the lack of on-street parking. The mission of the project was discussed as were the study areas and schedule for the completing the plan. In response to a question Garcia outlined plans for stakeholder outreach, including to hotels within the study areas. Councilmembers Fernald and Forschler added their perspective and gave some historical context to the conversation.
	4. Seattle Southside Regional Tourism Authority Update	XInformational UpdateRecommended for:ApprovalApproval with modificationsDenial • Kertzman provided an update on the development pipeline for hotels in the Puget Sound region. • The SSRTA's new website was presented to the HMAC and the new features were detailed

	The new SSRTA area map was distributed for comment and feedback and attendees received copies of the RTA Annual Report.
5. State Legislature Update	XInformational UpdateRecommended for:ApprovalApproval with modificationsDenial • A report was made on the attempt to gain funding for the Washington Tourism Alliance.
6. City Updates	XInformational UpdateRecommended for:ApprovalApproval with modificationsDenial • Robinson provided updates on current and upcoming City events and projects including: The Seattle Storm Community Practice; Comprehensive Plan Final Docket; City Website; Recruitment of Economic Development Strategist; and the planning for the recruitment of the next City manager, pending planned retirement of Joseph Scorcio in mid 2018.
7. Smith Travel and State DOR Reports	X Informational Update Recommended for: Approval Curtis reviewed the May STR and highlighted that
8. Smith Travel Report / WA Department of Revenue	 The STR was summarized which showed a solid performance to date in 2017 with significant increases of both year-over- year and year-to date statistics in Occupancy, ADR, RevPar and Revenue. The WA Department of Revenue showed a year to date total of \$673,000 through June.
9. Other Business	 Robinson distributed copies of the City Ethics Policy for Boards and Committees. Morgan spoke about events at the Botanical Garden including: A Familarization (FAM) Tour for Hotels; August Ice Cream Social; Rotary's "Summer Sip" event and a visit by the National Japanese Iris Society.

The Meeting adjourned at 4:15pm