



# Hotel Motel Tax Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

11/14/2018  
3:00-4:30 PM

SeaTac City Hall Council Chamber – Held in Riverton Room

**Members Present:** Councilmember Rick Forschler; Mary Fischer; Cathy Heiberg; Brandy Mitchell;

**Members Absent:** Roger McCracken; Richard Scherzinger; Jeff Bauknecht; Wendy Morgan

**Staff Present:** Aleksandr Yeremeyev, Economic Development Strategist; Steve Pilcher, CED Director; Jon Mattsen, Police Captain; Mason Giem, Public Works Program Coordinator; Kevin Kelly, General Manager, Recology; Elizabeth Szorad, Waste Zero Specialist, Recology

**Others Present:** Katherine Kertzman, SSRTA;

**Commence:** 3:05PM

**Adjourn:** 4:00PM

**Staff Coordinator:** Steve Pilcher, Director Community and Economic Development Dept.

**Staff Liaison:** Aleksandr Yeremeyev, Economic Development Strategist

1. Introductions – All	Councilmember Rick Forschler, Committee Chair called the meeting to order at 3:05PM
2. Review and Approve Minutes of October 10, 2018	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved as Written <input type="checkbox"/> Approved with Modifications <input type="checkbox"/> Recommended for Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Approved October 10 Minutes were not reviewed due to lack of quorum.
3. SeaTac Police Department Report	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informational Update Mattsen provided an update on the current activity in the City.
4. Solid Waste Sustainability Adjustment Impacts – Mason Giem Public Works Program Coordinator	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informational Update Giem and 2 Recology representatives provided an update on the global recycling landscape. In July 2017, China announced to the WTO new recycling standards. This changed the way recyclers and waste collectors operate. Additionally, the cost of recycling has increased and the sorting of recycled materials is more thoroughly scrutinized.
5. Seattle Southside Regional Tourism Authority Update	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informational Update Kertzman provided an overview of the Anti-Human Trafficking Training for the hotels provided by Business Ending Slavery and Trafficking

	<p>(BEST) organization. This training is available for free and recommended for hospitality related and other businesses.</p>
<p>6. Smith Travel Report / WA Department of Revenue Statistics</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informational Update          General Statistics provided. Increased supply with somewhat flat demand. There is generally more supply with a few major hotel developments in the region coming online in 2018.</p>
<p>7. City Updates</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informational Update / Discussion          Yeremeyev provided an update on the Business Synergy Report Phase 1 and distributed copies to the group.</p> <p>The group discussed loitering issues surrounding Rapid Ride and Metro bus stops due to heavy passenger traffic and utilization.</p> <p>Group discussed the subject of Destination International and possible appeal to the Tech gaming industry</p> <p>Group requested clarity on what a possible convention center feasibility study would analyze and Councilmember Forschler provided some context on the desire to explore a “convention/gathering midsize space” supportive of tourism industry and complimentary to the existing market.</p>
<p>8. Adjourn</p>	<p>Adjourned the meeting at 4:00 PM.</p> <p><i>The next regular meeting will be held on 12/12/2018 in the City Hall Council Chamber</i></p>