



June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2010  
**General Meeting Minutes**  
(Unapproved draft)

Downtown Business | Downtown Life

**Welcome and Introductions** – Whitney Rhodes

**Treasurer's Report**- Marv Sandberg

Checking Account \$9356

42 renewals

**President's Report** - \$500 to support Tacoma Farmer's Market

**VP's Reports** – South – The Health Department has a Pilot program for outdoor street vendors! Proposed locations – Tollefson Plaza – contact Judi Hyman for more information. The 12<sup>th</sup> Street hill climb was to be completed in April. Contact city council members with questions. There were no reports from North or Central.

- **BIA/TPD Safety Report: Rob Jepson, TPD**, reported in the month of **121 Arrests**
- **15 Community Meetings**
- **13 Knock and Talks**
- **1 Building Inspections**
- **2 Property Board-Up**
- **5 Abandoned Auto Impounds**
- **3233 Calls for Service (entire Sector)**
  - **836 – District 1-1**
  - **711 – District 1-2**
  - **1098 – District 1-3**
  - **588 – District 1-4**

April that there were 129 arrests, down from usual. Most were arrant arrests. 700 Broadway – arrested graffiti artist. The Hells Angel's have a new clubhouse near the Tacoma Dome. Whiskey Saloon is open – cooperating with police. The Metropolitan Council (Tacoma Avenue) is developing an action plan for crime prevention. If you have a problem area or question – email Rob at [rjepson@cityoftacoma.org](mailto:rjepson@cityoftacoma.org). Request a complete safety report contact [dmgsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:dmgsecretary@gmail.com).

**Chelsea Levy, Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber/BIA** reported that Spaceworks Tacoma has 50+ artists interested in being involved. There are 20 applicants for the 10 spaces. Placement will be in June and a block party in July! Visit [spaceworkstacoma.com](http://spaceworkstacoma.com) for details. Banners - Farmers Market are up! UWT purchased banners for Pacific Avenue. Love Tacoma is May 18 – 5:30 at the Melting Pot. May is Bike Month – see Chamber Calendar. On Street Parking is coming! There will more space for clients, customers and visitors. The Parking Task Force consists of 12 local businesspeople. Their Guiding Principles – 1. Customers 2. Market Driven System 3. Ease of Use. The committee communicated that the downtown community doesn't want an 8 to 8 system, but would prefer an 8 to 6. Parking Timeline: Summer – Installation of meters in BIA area. Go live in early September – all pay stations turned on at once. See Chelsea with questions or attend a meeting to give your feedback! See [tacomaparking.com](http://tacomaparking.com) for additional information.

**Transit, D to M Street Update** – **Mark Johnson, Sound Transit & Chris Larson, COT Public** 20 months to plan, 20 months to build! Phase 1 – Mid August – for the first 4 months A Street will be closed. Phase 2 – The next 10 months Pacific Avenue and South Tacoma Way will be closed – alternate routes and detours will be available. Summer 2012 will be the start of service – additions of South Tacoma Way and Lakewood stations. City will have good signage with reroute and detour information. An aggressive campaign to educate the community is being launched. Pierce Transit will work with the DMG to communicate updates to timeline.

**Freedom Fair** – **Anglea Jossy** – Freedom Fair! This year there will be a huge local section! Now recruiting local businesses and local artists for a local lounge in Marine Park! Many area 4<sup>th</sup> of July festivals have been cancelled – as many as 150,000

people should attend. This is a great opportunity for Tacoma. General Sponsorships are as low as \$120! Vendor opportunities available! Contact Angela for information on how you can get involved.

**Good of the Order**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20AM.

Thank you to the BCPA for the used of the Pantages, First Citizens Bank for coffee Jane Bell, BCPA, for treats.

*Join us at 8:00am July 1<sup>st</sup> at the Pantages!*