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Legislative Affairs & Election Committee
December 9, 2024

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The meeting was recorded by ECTV and can be viewed on the City of Everett website.

Members present were Councilor Michael Marchese, presiding, Councilors Stephanie Smith, Katy Rogers, Stephanie Martins and Robert Van Campen, as ex-officio.

The Committee considered an Ordinance offered by Councilor Katy Rogers: An Ordinance pertaining to trees in the City of Everett.

Councilor Rogers informed the Committee that additional modifications were proposed but had not been included in the draft proposed ordinance. She remarked that she thought everyone was on the same page and asked the members to please let her know if any other changes need to be made. Councilor Smith agreed to work with Councilor Rogers in completing the final draft of the Ordinance to be presented to the Committee at its next meeting.

The Committee voted: To grant further time with a request to invite the City Solicitor and City Arborist to the next meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

John W. Burley
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The Committee considered an Order offered by Councilor Robert Van Campen, as President: That in accordance with Section 3-3 of the City Charter and Article 5 of the City of Everett Administrative Code, I hereby appoint , subject to confirmation by the City Council, the following individuals as members of the Transportation Advisory Board for a term of one (1) year expiring November 12,2025. Katharina Bormann, Maurose Denis, Jarod Evenson, Jo Oltman, Aya Oulas, Andrea Porras, Derek Shooster

Eric Molinari, Transportation Planner was also present as was all the appointees.

Councilor Smith asked what the purpose of the Committee was and Mr. Molinari responded that the Committee would be discussing walking, biking, alternate transportation modes as well as talking about traffic and parking of cars, etc.. He informed the Committee that meetings would be held monthly and would be open to the public to participate with notices of meetings being posted. Councilor Smith asked if Residential parking would also be discussed and Mr. Molinari mentioned that they would discuss some ideas on the subject but the he wanted to get everyone in a room to talk it through. Councilor Smith asked how they came up with the number of members needed for this Committee and Mr. Molinari explained that he felt that eleven (11) members would be sufficient to represent the community. He explained the process on how he acquired the members through social media, flyers and how he assigned a scoring process for each to determine who was robust and cared enough about transportation issues in the community. Councilor Van Campen thanked the appointees for being present and remarked that the backgrounds from a scientist to an urban planner were perfect for this Board. Councilor Martins echoed Councilor Van Campens sentiments. Chairman Marchese asked what powers would this Board have and Mr. Molinari informed the Committee that they would be a recommending body by majority votes with oversight by the Transportation Department. Chairmans Marchese asked if there would be a conflict with the Traffic Commission and Mr. Molinari responded that there would be no conflict and noted that he also sits on the Traffic Commission. Councilor Smith recommended favorable action and suggested that if any other City Council members have questions of the appointees that they email them the questions.

The Committee voted: To report back to the City Council with a recommendation for Favorable action.

Respectfully Submitted,

John W. Burley
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